

EMDSL Outdoor Registration 2025

Please review the notes below and ensure your application along with the required fees are submitted by the required deadline of March 30, 2025, for Tier 1 and 2 teams and April 13, 2025, for Tier 3 teams. Late applications will only be accepted if there is a need to complete a division.

All registrations must be made using the weblink on the EMDSL website or via the excel team form also available on the website. Due to the number of teams, handwritten applications are no longer accepted.

Excel format registrations should be emailed to both schedule@emdsl.ca and emdslvp@gmail.com. Fees will need to be mailed or dropped off at the BMO Centre, 295 Rectory Street, London, N5Z 0A3 by the respective deadline. We do not accept e-transfers for payment of registration fees.

The EMDSL will be offering the following Divisions in 2025 for both genders. Note that where the minimum number of teams are not registered to form a division, age groups or Tiers may be combined to form a division.

5v5 Divisions All Tiers

U8 Teams for players born in 2017

U9 Teams for players born in 2016

7v7 Divisions All Tiers

U10 Teams for players born in 2015

U11 Teams for players born in 2014

9v9 Divisions All Tiers

U12 Teams for players born in 2013

11v11 Divisions Tier 1 and 2

Single age divisions from U13 to U18 inclusive

11v11 Divisions Tier 3

U14, U16 and U18 aged divisions (double age cohort divisions)

Game Nights

League recommended game days are posted on the League website. Due to field availability some teams may need to play off of the regular game night. If you need to deviate, please include this in the Game Start time section of the team application form. The League Scheduler will attempt to place the off-night games in the initial schedule run. Due to the number of teams in a particular division this may not be possible until the draft schedule is completed. Club representatives are asked to advise the Scheduler of any changes required once the draft schedule is published.

Festivals U8 to U12

For 2025 the Festivals are combined for all Tiers and will be held at 1 Password Park in St Thomas. The weekend of July 5/6, Tier 3 U8-12, and Tier 1 and 2, U8 and U9 will play, and the weekend of July 19/20 Tier 1 and 2, U10 to U12 will play. For Tier 3 only, teams may opt out of this Festival on their team registration forms. Teams not opting out are required to participate.

All Festivals are one-day Festivals, age divisions to be allocated to each day once team registration numbers are complete. We will have your respective Festival Day out to you as soon as the draft numbers are known.

District Cup U13 and older Teams

Tier 1 and 2 Teams must participate in the District Cup. Teams reaching the semifinals or finals must be available for the finals weekend, August 16 and 17, 2025 games to be played at North London Fields.

Tier 3 Teams will also participate in the District Cup on the above dates. There is, however, an opt-out provision in the Rules and Regulations for teams that are not able to participate. Please ensure that you are aware of these deadlines if you are opting out so as not to be charged with a forfeit.

League Questions and Correspondence

All general questions and correspondence should first go to the respective club representative.

Any questions or correspondence that the club representative cannot answer should be forwarded by the club representative to the League Secretary. The League Secretary will then forward this to the appropriate Board member for reply.

Any questions regarding a specific age division that cannot be answered by the club representative can be directed to the appropriate director:

U12 and younger teams: Ken Resendes

U13 and older teams: Chris Gardiner

Tier 3 teams: Joe Rossi

Any discipline or complaint matters must follow the policy and procedures outlined on the league website, under the 'About' tab.

The League will not respond to communications directly from those other than club representatives. It is the club's responsibility to ensure that their club contact information is up to date with the League.

Note that this does not apply to discipline or complaint matters which follow the policies and procedures of the discipline and complaint process as outlined on the league website.

Registration Instructions

Please enter the year of birth of the oldest player registered to each respective team. This will determine the league division you are eligible to register with. For Grassroots teams, U12 and younger the year of birth of all team members must match the division requested. Teams cannot play up or down. The only exception is for players who have an approved fast track form through the district to register one year up, but they are then considered to be registered to the older division for the season.

For U13 and older teams the year of birth of the oldest player on each respective team determines the youngest division you can register for. You can, however, also elect to register to register to an older division if you wish to do so for competitive reasons.

For Tier 3 teams, U13 and older, the league only provides double cohort divisions. U14, U16 and U18. Teams need to register to the applicable cohort based on the year of birth of the oldest player on the team.

Examples:

Grassroots: U9 would be made up of players born in 2016 and would only be able to register to a 2016 aged league division. 2017 aged Fast track players could also play if approved by the district.

U13 and older Tier 1 or 2: U14's would be made up of players born in 2011 and potentially 2012. They would normally register with the U14 league division(2011) but could also request to register to the U15 (2010) league division if they wished to.

U13 and older Tier 3 teams: A U13 team is normally made up of 2012 aged players. They would be registering to the 2011 Tier 3 age division as 2012 Tier 3 is not offered. The league will move you to the correct division if you select one that is not available.

If you have any questions about the eligibility of your players, or if you need a dispensation due to smaller club or enrollment issues, please ensure these approvals are in place with your district prior to registering your team. Any questions with respect to league registration can be answered by the league but not questions with respect to fast track or dispensation decisions.