

Vermont State Soccer Association

Annual General Meeting
July 30, 2019

Burlington, VT



VSSA AGM AGENDA

To: VSSA & Affiliates
From: SMM
Date: 30 July 2019

What: VSSA AGM

When: July 30, 2019, 6:00 p.m.

Where: Bluebird Barbecue
317 Riverside Avenue
Burlington, VT 05401

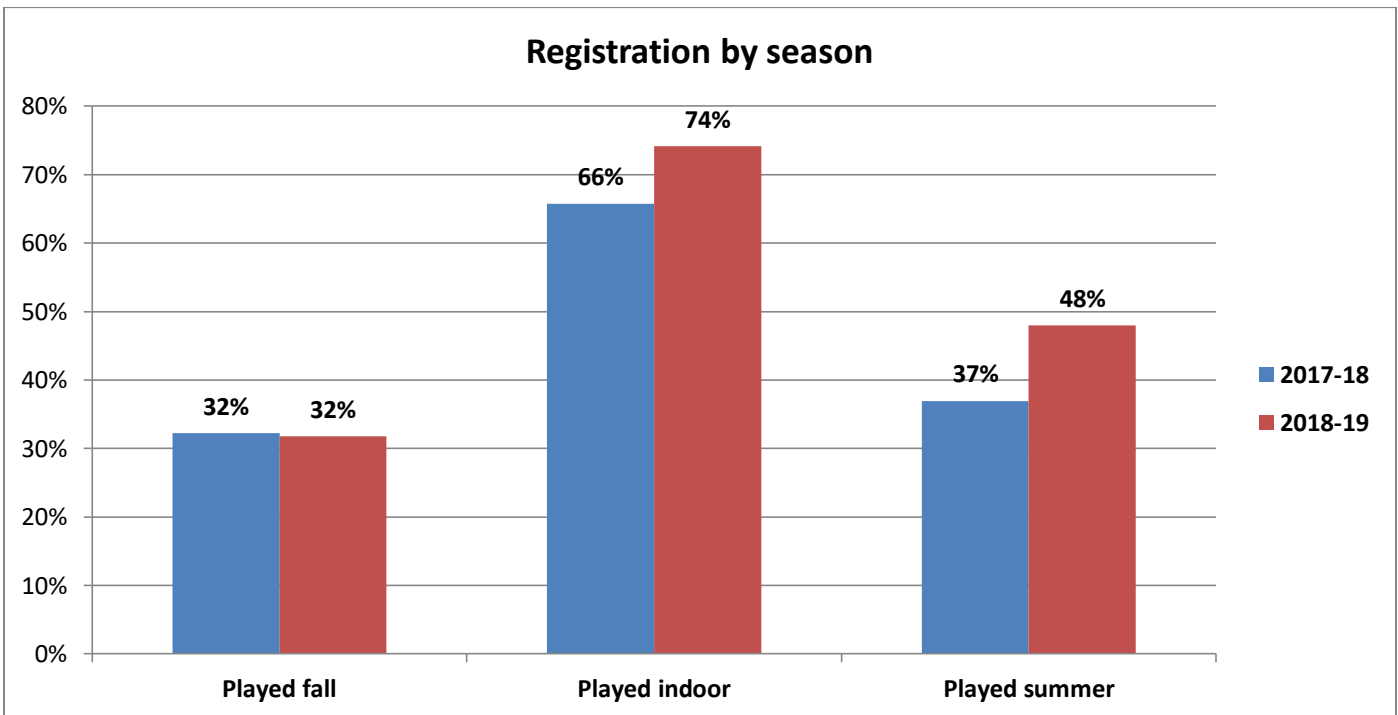
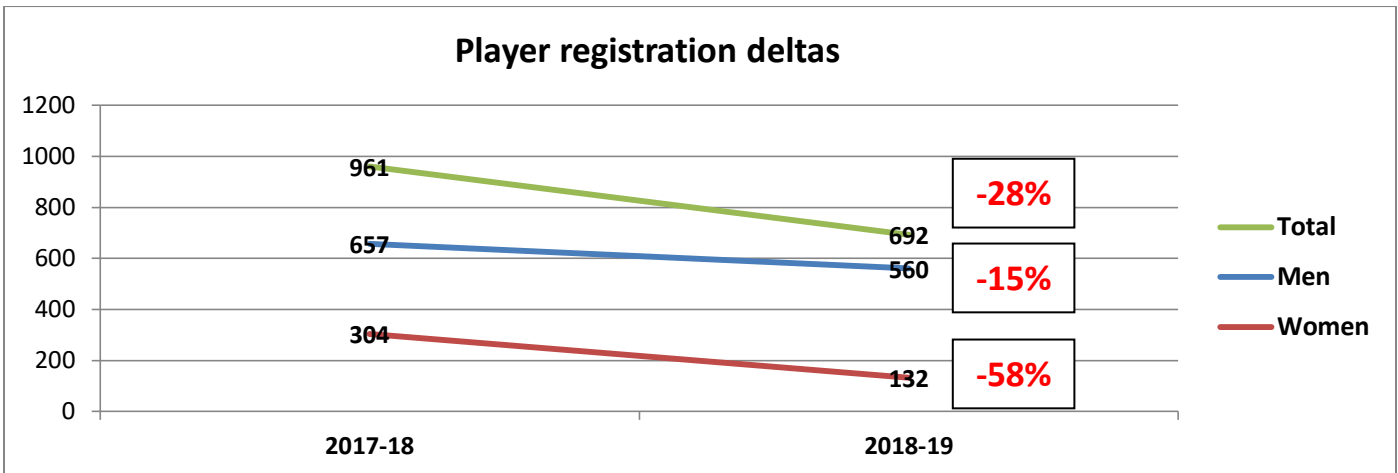
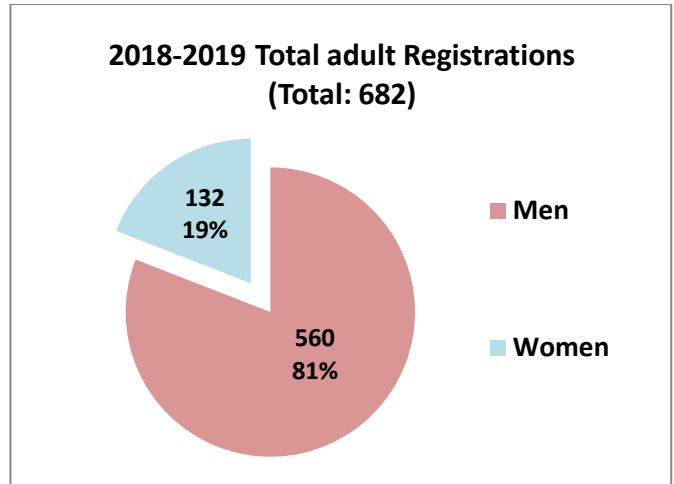
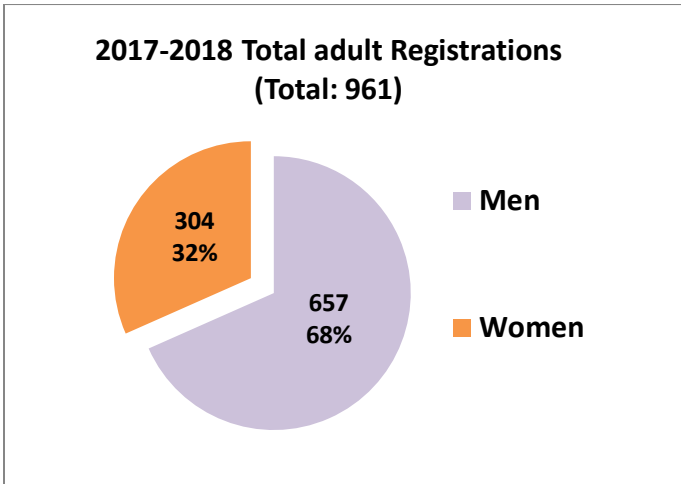
Who: Reps of VSSA/USASA-affiliated leagues and orgs



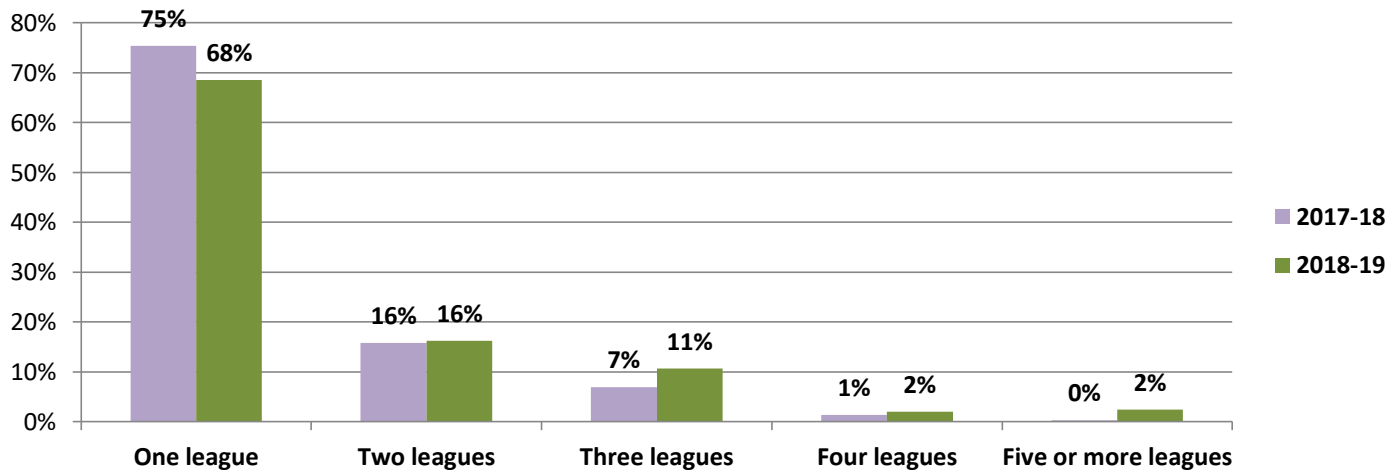
1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Registrations Updates - JH
3. VSSA Web Page Development - SMM & MN
4. Women's Soccer Initiative - CM
5. Treasurer's Reprot - MJW
6. SafeSport Update - SMM
7. SRA Update - SMM & SL
8. VSSA & Affiliate Updates
 - a. E8 rep
 - b. VASP rep
 - c. Capsoc rep
 - d. Far Post rep.
9. Officers/Board members Election: Unless any nomination for any officer and/or board member other than the current slate of officers/board members is placed before 6:00 p.m. of the date of the AGM 30 July 2016 the board will in the absence of any nomination take that as a consent vote for the current BOD.
10. Other Business.



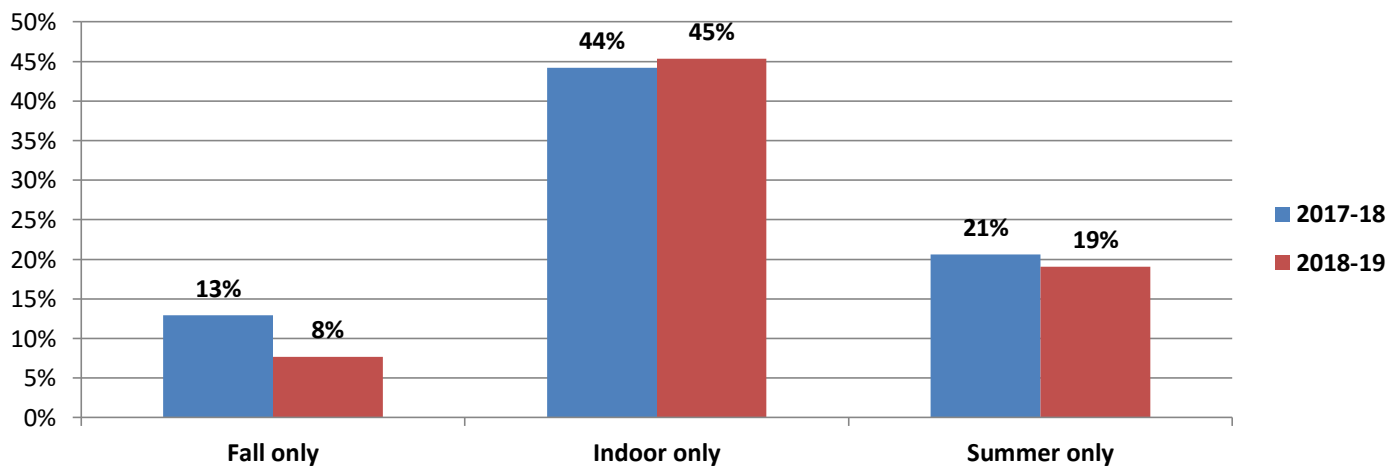
Registration Numbers



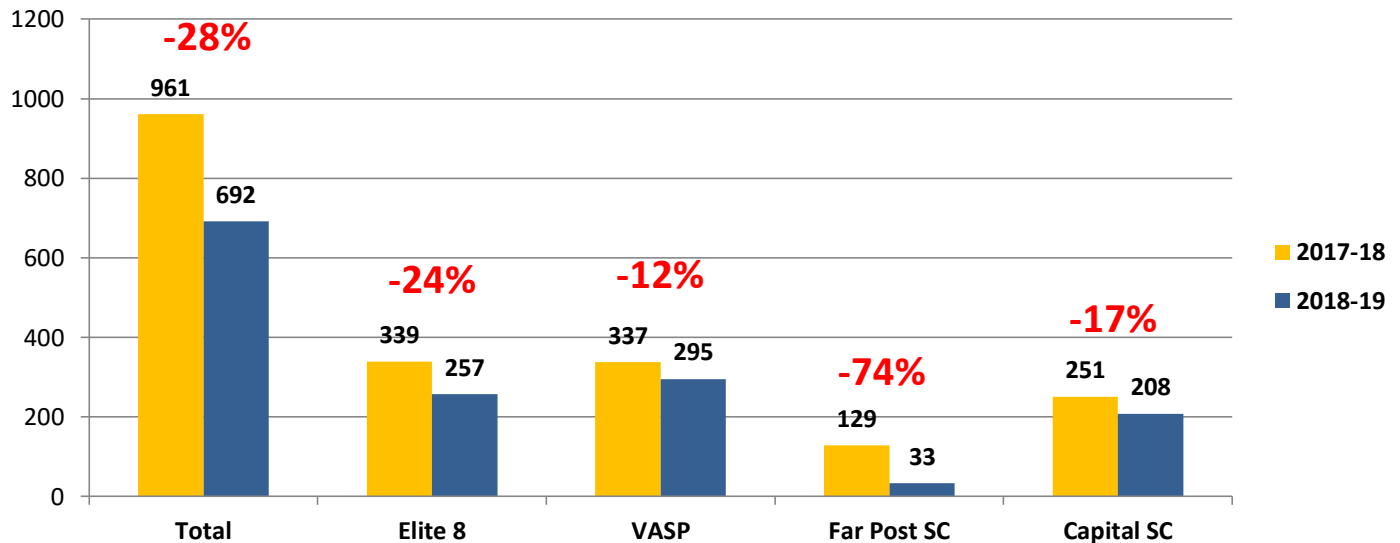
Multi-league registration



Single season registrations



Registration deltas by club



2017-2018							
Total	96			E8	VASP	Far Post	Capital
Men	657	68%		247	337	61	97
Women	304	32%		92	0	68	154
				339	337	129	251
Fall total	310	32%					
Indoor total	632	66%					
Summer total	355	37%					
One league	725	75%					
Two leagues	152	16%					
Three leagues	67	7%					
Four leagues	13	1%					
Five or more leagues	3	0%					
Fall only	124	13%					
Indoor only	425	44%					
Summer only	198	21%					

2018-2019							
Total	692			E8	VASP	Far Post	Capital
Men	560	81%		257	295	16	95
Women	132	19%		0	1	17	113
				257	296	33	208
Fall total	220	32%					
Indoor total	513	74%					
Summer total	332	48%					
One league	474	68%					
Two leagues	112	16%					
Three leagues	74	11%					
Four leagues	14	2%					
Five or more leagues	17	2%					
Fall only	53	8%					
Indoor only	314	45%					
Summer only	132	19%					

Elite 8					
	2017/18	2018/19	Deltas		
Total	339	257	-82	-24%	
Men	247	257	10	4%	
Women	92	0	92	-100%	

VASP					
	2017/18	2018/19	Deltas		
Total	337	295	-42	-12%	
Men	337	295	-42	-12%	
Women	0	1	1	YUUUGE	

Far Post SC					
	2017/18	2018/19	Deltas		
Total	129	33	-96	-74%	
Men	61	16	-45	-74%	
Women	68	17	-51	-75%	

Capital SC					
	2017/18	2018/19	Deltas		
Total	251	208	-43	-17%	
Men	97	95	-2	-2%	
Women	154	113	-41	-27%	



WELCOME TO THE VSSA

The Vermont State Soccer Association is the official governing body representing U.S. Soccer, all affiliated adult leagues and their players within the State of Vermont.

VSSA RESOURCES



League Affiliation

As the governing body representing U.S. Soccer in Vermont, the VSSA provides benefits including but not limited to support and insurance coverage for all affiliated leagues, their players, directors / officers and game sites.
[Learn More](#)



Player Registration

To receive and maximize all available affiliation benefits, players must register with the VSSA through the league within which they play. Registration with any VSSA affiliated league also carries over to other VSSA affiliated leagues.



Insurance

One of the key roles the VSSA plays is to provide Participant Accident Insurance for all VSSA affiliated league players. Should you be hurt or injured during a VSSA sanctioned game you are eligible to receive medical support and coverage.
[Learn More](#)



Newsletter Signup

There's a lot going on within the Vermont soccer world and the VSSA is your direct link to it all. If you'd like us to keep you posted on all affiliated happenings, news and events please sign up for our newsletter.
[Sign Up Now](#)

VERMONT LEAGUES AND ASSOCIATIONS



WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW



Play Soccer and Help Fight Cancer

The Stefan Pierson tournament is a great cause to help in the fight against cancer and to enjoy a day of soccer.

For more info [click here](#).



Womens World Cup Action

Watch the USWNT take on host team France in the quarterfinal round at 3pm Est today. Go USA!!!



VSSA AGM

The annual meeting of the minds takes place July 23, 2019.

For more info on the AGM please visit our contact: Jonas@vssa.com





ABOUT VSSA

The Vermont State Soccer Association (VSSA) is the official governing body representing the United States Adult Soccer Association (USASA) in the state of Vermont. VSSA is a direct affiliate with US Soccer (USSF). We are a non-profit, volunteer organization composed of soccer officials, players, and enthusiasts throughout the State dedicated to promote and act in the best interests of the sport.

This is the official web site for VSSA and it is designed to keep players, administrators, game officials, and fans up to date with everything going on with USASA adult soccer in The Green Mountain State. This site contains VSSA governance documents, meeting news, notices, contacts and links to our affiliated leagues. Male and female adult players will be able to find and join any USASA-affiliated league around the state, both outdoor and indoor from this site.



HISTORY

VSSA had its early beginning in the 1980's when the then Champlain Valley Mens Summer Soccer League became affiliated with USASA through the newly formed VSSA. This affiliation lasted until the mid to late 80's, the league however continued to operate until 2000. In 2000-2001, a number of players and administrators from CVSSL and the then defunct VSSA came together to reform VSSA and created a new adult soccer league, the Vermont Amateur Soccer League (VASL).

VSSA's affiliation with USSF and USASA was granted interim approval in 2001 and full approval at the 2002 USSF AGM. VASL's inaugural year was 2001 and it continued to operate until 2018 at which time the league administrators decided to relinquish control, assets and the rights to VASL to VSSA and start a new for profit adult soccer league - Vermont Amateur Soccer Premiership (VASP) which is currently one of two outdoor VSSA's affiliated men's soccer leagues. The other is the Elite 8 Soccer League.

Since 2001, VSSA has affiliated mens, womens and co-ed indoor soccer through Far Post and Capital Soccer. In the early to mid 2000's VASL had a robust womens division. Since the late 2000's the affiliated womens game has been in hiatus. VSSA announced in 2019 the appointment of Christy McShea as VP of Womens Soccer with the charge of resurrecting affiliated womens soccer in Vermont utilizing resources from VSSA, USASA and USSF.





VSSA GOVERNANCE

Below we invite you to access all documentation pertaining to the VSSA, its decision making, bylaws, mission, focus, properties and filings. If you have additional questions please contact us.



Articles Of Incorporation
Aug. 17, 2001



VSSA SOC
January 14, 2019



EIN
February 22, 2002



VSSA's Application to USSF
October 2001



Bylaws
February 2, 2007



VASL



VSSA 2018 Profit & Loss Statement

Income

Player Registration Fees from Affiliated Leagues	\$ 16,880.00
VASL fund transfer	\$ 13,655.98
Bank Refunds	\$ 6.00
Annual League affiliation fee(s)	\$ 200.00
Dick's Marketing	\$ 1,000.00
interest	\$ 2.31

Total Income \$ 31,744.29

Expenses

Player Registration fees to USASA	\$ 8,912.00
Bank fees	\$ 3.00
USASA & USSF meeting (T&E)	\$ 1,156.59
Referee Conference and Development	\$ 250.00
US Affiliation fee	\$ 100.00
D&O Insurance	\$ 740.00
VSSA AGM	\$ 355.98

Total Expense \$ 11,517.57

Net Revenue \$ 20,226.72

VSSA Balance Sheed as of 12/31/2018

Assets

KeyBank Checking	\$ 25,394.88
KeyBank Savings	\$ 11,556.66

Total Assets \$ 36,951.54

U.S. SOCCER ATHLETE AND PARTICIPANT SAFETY POLICY - STANDARDS FOR ORGANIZATION MEMBERS

Purpose:

Consistent with U.S. Soccer Bylaw 212, Organization Members are required to, among other obligations, 1) comply with applicable law and, in particular, the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act (the “**Sports Act**”); 2) if the member recruits, trains, fields or funds soccer players, establish a risk management program to promote the safety and protect the welfare of participants; and 3) adopt policies prohibiting sexual abuse. Effective February 14, 2018, Public Law 115-126, the *Protecting Young Victims from Sexual Abuse and Safe Sport Authorization Act of 2017* (the “**SafeSport Act**”), amends the Sports Act, and requires applicable amateur sports organizations (as such term is defined in the SafeSport Act, 36 U.S.C. § 220530(b)) to:

- Comply with the SafeSport Act’s reporting requirements and prohibit retaliation by the applicable amateur sports organization against any individual who makes a report (36 U.S.C. § 220530(a)(1));
- Establish reasonable procedures to limit one-on-one interactions between an amateur athlete who is a minor and an adult (who is not the minor’s legal guardian) at a facility under the jurisdiction of the applicable amateur sports organization (36 U.S.C. § 220530(a)(2));
- Offer and provide consistent training to adult members in regular contact with minor amateur athletes and, subject to parental consent, to members who are minors, regarding prevention and reporting of child abuse (36 U.S.C. § 220530(a)(3)); and
- Prohibit retaliation, by the applicable amateur sports organization, against any individual who makes a report of suspected child abuse. (36 U.S.C. § 220530(a)(4)).

The purpose of this policy is to require an Athlete and Participant Safety/Safe Soccer program as part of each Organization Member’s risk management program and set out standards for such a program.

- ⇒ **NOTE:** This Policy has been approved by U.S. Soccer’s Board of Directors and will be included for approval by the National Council at the 2019 National Council Meeting on February 16, 2019 in Scottsdale, Arizona and included in U.S. Soccer’s Policy Manual (excepting Notes and Exhibits).

POLICY 212-3 (APPROVED OCTOBER 19, 2018)

Policy Statement:

Each Organization Member that is an “**Applicable Entity**” under Title II of the Sports Act as amended by the SafeSport Act¹ or otherwise has adult members who are in regular contact with amateur athletes who are minors (in each case, a “**Covered Organization**”), must maintain, as part of that risk management program, an athlete and participant safety program that includes the six components listed below. In addition, any **other** Organization Member that qualifies as an amateur sports organization under 36 U.S.C. § 220501(b)(3) but does not have adult participants who are in regular contact with amateur athletes who are minors must nonetheless maintain, as part of the risk management program required under Bylaw 212, an athlete and participant safety program that includes at least a Prohibited Conduct Policy consistent with Paragraph 1, below.

To allow Organization Members adequate opportunity to ensure policy changes and compliance, the required policies must be issued by February 14, 2019, and procedures and communications regarding these requirements must be issued in a manner calculated to effect compliance on or before September 1, 2019, but are nonetheless urged to complete compliance as early as practicable.² Effective September 1, 2019, any Organization Member not in compliance with this Policy 212-3 will be subject to enforcement as provided in Section 6, below.

The entire document can be found here:

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¹ 36 U.S.C. § 220541 defines “Applicable Entity” to include any national governing body, amateur sports organization or other person sanctioned by a national governing body under section 220525, an amateur sports organization reporting under section 220530, or any officer, employee, agent or member of the foregoing entities.

² These dates are applicable to U.S. Soccer’s Policy 212-3 and provide the date by which U.S. Soccer will enforce compliance with Policy 212-3. Organization Members are advised that the SafeSport Act became effective February 14, 2018.