

**Before applying for Dallas Cup, we ask that you please read and become familiar with the following Dallas Cup Procedures and Requirements.**

## **Dr Pepper Dallas Cup XL (April 14th - April 21st, 2019)**

### **Procedures & Requirements for Team Registration**

The Dallas Cup is an invitational tournament and will only accept applications from USSF, USYSA and international FIFA affiliated club, league, select, or association boys teams as defined by the USYSA and the USSF. The Dallas Cup reserves the right to not select any team whose actions or behavior is deemed not to be in the best interest of youth soccer.

The Dallas Cup is sanctioned by the North Texas State Soccer Association in affiliation with the United States Youth Soccer Association, the United States Soccer Federation and FIFA. See the approved ["Application to Host a Tournament or Games"](#) on the Dallas Cup web site for details of the sanction. The [Rules of the Competition](#) is also available on the web site.

The Dallas Cup will only accept applications that are submitted on line through our website. All sections of the application must be completed. International team applications will not be accepted without complete information for their English speaking contact. The information provided in the application is the major basis for invitation decisions by the selection committee.

### **Age Groups for Dr Pepper Dallas Cup XL**

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| U19 | players born | January 1, 2000 and Later |
| U18 | players born | January 1, 2001 and Later |
| U17 | players born | January 1, 2002 and Later |
| U16 | players born | January 1, 2003 and Later |
| U15 | players born | January 1, 2004 and Later |

U14 players born January 1, 2005 and Later  
U13 players born January 1, 2006 and Later

## Fee and Payment Information

The entry fee is **US\$1450** per team.

The Dallas Cup must receive payment of the entry fee within **TEN (10) days** of submitting the application. Payment is to be made to Dallas Cup, Inc. by Standard Check, Cashier's check, ECheck, Credit Card (additional fee will apply) or wire transfer of funds directly to the Dallas Cup account. Direct Deposit of funds will not be accepted as a form of payment.

### Mailing Address:

Dallas Cup, Inc.  
Attention: Frances Ortiz  
12700 Park Central Drive  
Suite 507  
Dallas, Texas 75251

Please make sure to indicate **Team Name, Age Group, and Confirmation Number** is on the check and all correspondence.

Contact Frances Ortiz ([frances@dallascup.com](mailto:frances@dallascup.com)) in the Dallas Cup office for wire transfer information. Please make sure to indicate **Team Name, Age Group, and Confirmation Number** on the wire transfer order at your bank and notify Frances when the wire transfer has been sent providing originating bank, reference numbers on transfer if available and any other information that will assist us in crediting the correct team.

All entry fees will be **deposited upon receipt**. Deposit of the entry fee **does not** indicate acceptance of the team.

If a team is not accepted to the tournament, the refund of the entry fee will be made with a Dallas Cup, Inc. check made payable to the Team Name and mailed to the address of the Team Manager that is shown in the completed application regardless of the form of payment used. Notice of rejection by e-mail will include information concerning the refund of the team entry fee.

The entry fee will be forfeited if a team has accepted the invitation and subsequently withdraws for any reason.

Applications **will not** be accepted from teams after **November 30th, 2018**.

The Dallas Cup reserves the right to close any of the age groups at any time prior to the dates mentioned should the Selection Committee deem it appropriate.

## **SELECTION / INVITATION**

Because the Dallas Cup is a highly selective and competitive tournament, fulfillment of the application procedures does not guarantee an invitation. The selection committee expends considerable effort to verify all application information and select the most competitive teams possible. Teams are advised to apply as early as possible providing as much performance information as possible to ensure adequate consideration. There is a section in the application process, "***Pertinent Comments about the team***" where teams can submit additional information that they feel would be important to the committee in the selection process.

The selection of teams and "Official Invitation" notifications via e-mail will begin in early December of the year before the tournament. The selection of teams is planned to be complete by late December to allow invited teams more time to complete travel plans, complete all required paperwork, etc.

All invited teams and their entire travelling delegation (players of non-homestay teams, coaches, parents, supporters, etc.) will be required to make hotel reservations and pay a five (5) night deposit in advance for each room reserved at one of the ten (10) designated Dallas Cup hotels. Hotels and rates will be determined and available prior to the start of the selection process.

The five (5) night hotel deposit is based on Team Registration times. The International teams will register on Saturday morning at the latest, and for USA teams outside the Dallas area registration takes place on Saturday between 1:00pm and 5:00pm. A mandatory Coach/Manger meeting will be held early Sunday morning (7:30am) and tournament play begins at approximately 9.30am Sunday morning. The preliminary round will last through and including Wednesday evening for a total of five (5) days/nights. The deposit will be due at a preset number of days (approximately 10-14 days) from the date of the Official Invitation notification and is ***non-refundable*** except for good cause as determined by the Dallas Cup. If the specified deposit is not made by the designated time, the Dallas Cup reserves the right to withdraw the invitation to participate and the entry fee will be forfeited.

**NOTE:** Team representatives are asked and advised to make their entire travelling delegation (players of non-homestay teams, coaches, parents, supporters, etc.) aware of this requirement well in advance of the beginning of the Selection Process December.

Preliminary games will be played from Sunday through Wednesday of the tournament week. On opening Sunday, approximately 75% of the teams will play their first match. It will not be known until approximately two (2) weeks before the tournament as to which teams will play on this date, so **ALL TEAMS** should make their travel plans accordingly and be ready to play their first preliminary round match as early as 9:30am on Opening Sunday.

## **Accomodation & Transportation**

**Canyon Creek Travel/American Express (CCT/AE)** is the "Official Travel Agency" for the Dallas Cup. If the team is extended the Official Invitation to participate, the travel plans can then be finalized. Canyon Creek Travel will provide assistance with the required hotel reservations and local ground transportation (multi-passenger vans, cars, etc.) for the selected teams once they have been notified of the invitation. CCT can be contacted for the list of hotels, rates and availability.

Official Invitation information will be available online through the Dallas Cup web site once the selection process begins in December. This information will contain all pertinent forms, documents, procedures and deadlines related to participation in the tournament.

**Special Note:** the "Rules of Competition":

- (1) Allow Invited teams in all age groups to roster twenty two (22) players, identifying eighteen (18) for each match.
- (2) Have up to five (5) guest players with a total roster of twenty two (22).
- (3) Require the "Visiting/Away Team" to change uniforms in case of a color conflict. Please see the full "Rules of Competition" on the Dallas Cup website at [DallasCup.com](http://DallasCup.com).

Participating teams are responsible for all expenses, including transportation to and from Dallas, Texas. Expenses include, but are not limited to, local hotel accommodations, food, local ground transportation for the entire delegation (multi-passenger vans), entertainment costs and any medical treatment required.

## Medical Insurance & Releases

All participating players will be required to have medical insurance that provides coverage for injury and/or illness. International teams will be required to provide documentation that players' medical insurance is valid in the USA. Teams will be required to complete Dallas Cup Medical/Liability/Media Release forms for each player and International teams will be required to complete the "Club Medical/Liability/Media Release" form in addition to the player form. Forms will be available when the selection process begins.

### Team Registration/Check In (April 11 - 13, 2019) (for participating teams)

**Local Dallas teams:** Registration will take place on the **Thursday** from 7:00pm to 9:00pm prior to the beginning of the tournament.

**International teams:** Registration will begin on **Friday** evening. International teams are required to complete the registration process by no later than 1:00pm on Saturday.

**Note: International teams must have their players with passports available at registration.**

**USA teams:** Registration will begin at **1:00pm on Saturday**. USA teams are required to complete the registration process by no later than 5:00pm on Saturday.

Registration times at the Headquarters Hotel will be as follows:

**Thursday**, 7pm-9pm, Dallas teams *mandatory*.

**Friday**, 7pm-10pm, International teams **optional**.

**Saturday**, 8am –1pm, **International** teams *mandatory*.

**Saturday**, 1pm-5pm, **USA** teams **mandatory**.

When arriving in Dallas on Saturday, make sure the arrival time is early enough to arrive at the Headquarters Hotel no later than 3:30pm so registration can be completed by closing time at 5:00pm.

There are no registration facilities on Sunday morning.

## **Coach and Managers Meeting**

A **mandatory coaches/managers meeting** will take place at 7:30am on Sunday morning at the Headquarters hotel.

Tournament play begins Sunday morning at approximately 9:30am.

## **Opening Ceremony and Game Information**

**ALL TEAMS** are required to attend Opening Ceremonies on the first Sunday of the tournament week.

The Quarterfinals, Semi-finals and Finals are scheduled to take place from Thursday through Sunday of the tournament week depending on the age group.

The **Super Group** division will have its Semi-final games on Friday and its Final on Sunday evening.

## **Homestay Program**

International teams may request the Dallas Cup Homestay program (for players only). The program, which places players in the homes of local Dallas teams that also participate in the tournament, is available on a limited basis but is not guaranteed until confirmed by the Dallas Cup. Requests for the Homestay program should be made as early as possible in the application process. Teams from North America (Canada, Mexico and the USA) **are not eligible** for the Homestay program.

The Homestay Program, provided at **no cost**, includes sleeping arrangements and two (2) meals per day. The international team is responsible for the cost of the hotel rooms for all staff at one of the Dallas Cup designated hotels. Supporters are also encouraged to use the Dallas Cup designated hotels. Meals for all staff and any additional meals for the players, all entertainment costs for the entire delegation, and local

transportation in the Dallas area are also the responsibility of the international team. The local transportation is to be in the form of multi-passenger vans, bus or car rental sufficient to transport the entire delegation and luggage for all team activities.

Teams that are approved for the Homestay Program should arrive in Dallas on the Friday prior to the tournament week and must end their stay the Monday morning following the conclusion of the tournament, for a total of 10 nights.

**The Homestay Program will not exceed 10 nights.** If travel plans call for arrival or departure dates other than those mentioned, the international team is responsible for all additional expenses related to the players' sleeping arrangements and meals not within the 10 night window of the homestay program.

International teams requesting the Homestay Program must indicate this request on their application form. International teams must also indicate if they will still participate in the tournament if the Homestay Program is not available.

International teams that are approved for the Homestay Program will be given detailed information upon notification of invitation to participate in the tournament.

Should you need to correct or change any information once the online application has been submitted or if you wish to provide the Selection Committee with any additional information, contact Ray Hirschowitz via [Email](#) with the information. **PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT ANOTHER APPLICATION.**

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CONTACT:** Ray Hirschowitz,  
Tournament Manager  
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**IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT YOU PRINT THE  
ABOVE INFORMATION FOR FUTURE REFERENCE**

If there are any questions please contact Ray Hirschowitz  
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