



PIM 2006-002 Tryout notification

- The purpose of this PIM is to ensure existing players within the Club and prospective candidates for membership in the Club are exposed to appropriate opportunities within the club in accordance with clause 4:05.

Policy Interpretation:

- Prospective candidates and their parents have the ultimate choice as to which team they shall join should they be given an offer to join one or more MVLA teams.
- A “Formal Tryout” is any tryout that is advertised in any medium (including, but not limited to posters, handouts, etc.) or for which a special allocation of field space is required. Formal Tryouts shall be posted at the MVLA Club website.
- All teams are encouraged to have at least one Formal Tryout each calendar year.
- All teams within the u8 to u11 age groups and younger have the following tryout format:
 - All teams within a gender age group will agree on one or more tryout dates where all players from existing MVLA teams and new players attend. As a guideline, Spring tryouts are typically in January and Fall tryouts are typically in June.
 - All teams within a gender age group will create a single advertisement to be placed in mutually agreed to medium.
 - All teams within a gender age group will agree on tryout format.
 - All teams within a gender age group may extend offers to any player at the tryout, including players from existing MVLA teams.
 - If the teams can’t agree on the above, they will ask the board to resolve any differences.
 - Despite this joint tryout PIM, nothing prevents a team from inviting players to practice for evaluation and extending offers to join.
 - One Member, Manager or Coach may take the opportunity to speak to any prospective candidates about the benefits and costs of joining their team.
- All teams must advertise their tryout on the MVLA website at least 3 weeks prior.
- At no time shall any Manager and/or Coach misrepresent the class, playing level, performance record, financial obligation, or standing of their Team or any other MVLA Teams.
- As a matter of courtesy and policy, it is expected that all MVLA teams shall speak well of their partner Club teams and do their utmost to encourage viable prospective candidates to join the Club at a playing level commensurate with their skill, suitability to a team’s culture and goals, level of commitment, and ability to pay (financial aid notwithstanding).