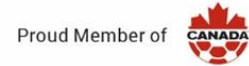




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## Information Bulletin

**Bulletin #:** I2018-012  
**Date:** Mar. 13, 2018  
**To:** District Presidents, Administrators, Technical Directors, ORA, Associate Members  
**CC:** Ontario Soccer Board of Directors, Staff  
**From:** Gary Miller, Technical Director  
**Subject:** Updated Grassroots Development Matrices

Ontario Soccer as a part of the 2018 Operational Procedures process has made refinements to the recreational and development Grassroots player development matrices.

Please [click here](#) to find the matrices.

These updates include changes to Recreational Indoor (U4-U12), Recreational Outdoor (U4-U12), Development Indoor (U8-U12) and Development Outdoor (U8-U12).

The major changes include the following:

### Development Indoor & Outdoor


1. Memorable Events (per annum)
  - a. U8 increased to 1 event within Ontario only
  - b. U9-10 increased to 2 events within Ontario only
  - c. U11-12 set to 4 events throughout the year
    - i. Two of which must be within Ontario & entirely LTPD compliant
    - ii. Two can be outside Ontario, within Canada or the USA, that are not necessarily LTPD compliant
2. Cultural Events
  - a. A cultural, religious or ethnic event centered around the game of soccer whereby teams can apply for special dispensation to attend anywhere in North America
    - i. For more information please refer to point #10 under 'Additional Explanations'
3. Team Travel Time
  - a. Development teams at U9-10 can now travel 60 minutes each way from district boundaries (increased from 45 minutes)
    - i. To allow increased opportunities for Clubs, Teams, Families and Players to participate in festival events throughout Ontario as well as to meet some of the challenges of several regions



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4. Throw-Ins for the Development Matrix Outdoor/Indoor
  - a. U9-10 now include dribble in as well as pass in
    - i. To allow and empower players to make a decision when restarting play from the touchline that is most relevant to the assessed game situation

If you have any further questions, please contact [Gary Miller](#), Technical Director.