



## ADULT ATHLETE ADMINISTRATOR INSTRUCTIONS

### New Safe Soccer (Risk) Requirements Effective for the 2021/2022 Seasonal Year

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The new “Adult Athlete” risk requirements are a national requirement that all members of U.S. Soccer (US Youth Soccer, US Club, AYSA, SAY, etc.) must implement by January 1, 2022. We understand the impact this has on our members and how challenging these requirements are. As a member benefit, OSA is here to help you and your “Adult Athletes” complete this process.

“**Adult Athletes**” (defined as “Adult Participants”) are athletes who are **18 years of age or older** who have regular contact participating on teams with “Minor Athletes” (this includes, but is not limited to training, scrimmages, games, etc.). “Adult Athletes” must complete a background check (valid every two years) as well as the annual SafeSport training.

OSA will be working closely with our member leagues to implement this new national requirement. We appreciate everyone’s efforts to help create a safe environment for all, free from abuse, and misconduct.

**DO NOT COMPLETE THIS PROCESS UNTIL ATHLETES ARE 18 YEARS OLD**

#### Administrator Instructions

1. Club Admins will self-report their players’ team statuses as “Adult Athlete” on the [State side](#) roster prior to approving and/or carding the entire team.

#### Team Roster

#	Name	UID	Gender	Birthdate	Birth Cert	POB	Photo	Uniform Number	Added	Status	Actions
1.		718-003961-05	MALE	08/20/2003				25	09/09/2021	ADULT ATHLETE	
2.		715-004061-35	MALE	01/03/2004				16	07/22/2021	SYNCED	

2. [Adult Athlete Instructions](#) (different process than our coaches/volunteers)
3. Once the “Adult Athlete” has completed their risk, OSA will change their “Adult Athlete” status on your [State side](#) roster to “Risk Verified”.
4. Once “Risk Verified” your league can proceed to “Approve” or “Card” your players.

#### Team Roster

#	Name	UID	Gender	Birthdate	Birth Cert	POB	Photo	Uniform Number	Added	Status	Actions
1.		718-004034-08	FEMALE	10/26/2003					10/12/2021	RISK VERIFIED	
2.		719-004032-52	FEMALE	05/10/2004					10/12/2021	APPROVED	

#### Players Turning 18-Years-Old During the Seasonal Year

- Once a player turns 18-years-old during the seasonal year, he/she has 45 days to complete the Adult Athlete requirements.
- Club Admins should NO LONGER change players’ team statuses to “Adult Athlete” after your league(s) officially approve/card your team(s). OSA will manage this process on the backend.
- Follow the Adult Athlete Instructions above.

If you have any questions regarding “Adult Athlete” requirements or would like OSA to help your “Adult Athletes” complete this process, please contact Jen Fickett [jfickett@ohio-soccer.org](mailto:jfickett@ohio-soccer.org).

OSA Resources: [What is Safe Soccer](#) | [Adult Athletes](#) | [Background Checks](#) | [Safe Sport](#) | [Report Abuse](#)