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<u>Policy Type</u>	<u>Structure</u>	<u>Objectives</u>	<u>Registration</u>	<u>Game Regulations</u>	<u>Discipline</u>
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Title: Club and Academies Definitions

1. Background	One of EMSA's objectives is to ensure the welfare and fulfillment of each individual participant and ensure that all individual participants have equal access to all EMSA Programs regardless of their religious affiliation, ethnic background, cultural heritage, or lifestyle orientation.
2. Issue	Before the Indoor Season 2022/2023 EMSA accepted several new club members from EIYSA. In order to provide all participants in the club stream with a clear path moving forward, EMSA Board needed to clarify the basic requirements for operation of clubs and academies.
3. Policy	<p><i>EMSA MEMBER CLUB.</i></p> <p><i>A sanctioned not-for-profit entity that registers youth players and teams with EMSA at the Tier 1, 2, 3 level and has been approved by the EMSA board, they must provide the following to be accepted.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. Proof of legal status.</i> <i>2. Bylaws of the club.</i> <i>3. Names, contact information and addresses of representatives.</i> <i>4. A minimum of 4 teams with minimum 16 players each team.</i> <i>5. At least one of the teams must be female.</i> <i>6. If they have more than 6 teams at least, 3 teams must be grassroots ages (U7, U9 and U11s).</i> <i>7. Must bring value to the Edmonton Minor Soccer Association</i> <p><i>ACADEMY.</i></p> <p><i>A sanctioned Entity that offers supplementary training for players, teams and clubs. Academies can not organize tryouts for players or teams under any circumstances, and must only offer trips, scouting events, showcases and similar opportunities to their registered participants with the club/community teams in</i></p>

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AFFILIATED ACADEMY.

A sanctioned entity that works with one or more specific club or community members of EMSA solely to provide technical training and intellectual support to the said members. They can have players from other clubs as long as they inform the home club and comply with the ASA rules of not promoting one club over another. Scheduling must be scheduled around clubs and communities' games and practices. Poaching or competing with the original club/community is absolutely prohibited -. Affiliated Academies can not organize tryouts for players or teams under any circumstances, and must only offer trips, scouting events, showcases and other similar opportunities to their registered participants with the club/community teams in mind.

CLUB ACADEMY/TECHNICAL TRAINING

A club that itself provides technical training and intellectual support to players but restricted to only the players in the club.

INDEPENDENT ACADEMIES

An entity sanctioned by ASA that is not affiliated with any specific EMSA club. They can have players from any club or community as long as they comply with all ASA rules. Their technical staff can provide technical training to any club or community that request their services as long as they comply with the ASA rules and do not promote any specific club or community.

PLAYERS.

Registered players can go to any sanctioned academy that they prefer for extra training; however, they must inform in writing the club they are registered with of their intentions.

DISCIPLINE.

Any academy, club, or individual accused of breaching any of these rules will be dealt with by the EMSA Discipline Committee. If any academy, club, or individual is found to have breached these rules, or any other associated EMSA rules or regulations, the academy, club or individual will be suspended from all soccer activities within EMSA as determined by the EMSA Discipline Committee.

****At No time are Academies or supplemental training entities allowed to hold tryouts for any reason to members outside of their registration list*****

4. Period in Effect

This Policy is in effect until subsequently revoked by the EMSA Board of Directors.

Implemented by the EMSA Board of Directors by resolution passed on February 27, 2023.