



## **PERMISSION TO HOST | YOUTH INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL UPDATE APRIL 26, 2021**

Permission to host international teams for domestic youth tournaments and permission for youth team international travel – No approvals through June 30, 2020.

In accordance with guidelines set by FIFA, USOPC, Concacaf, the CDC and U.S. Soccer Play on Protocols we are continuing with the decision to not approve the hosting of international youth teams for domestic tournaments and international travel for youth teams through the end of June 2021.

The decision was made after meeting with U.S. Soccer Chief Medical Officer, and the departmental leads for Compliance, Member Relations and Sport Development. The group reviewed current COVID-19 assessments by the CDC, USOPC guidelines, recently published U.S. State Department travel restrictions (to/from the U.S.), FIFA and Concacaf youth team calendars and U.S. Soccer proposed timelines for Youth National Teams return to play. As the situation is fluid, we are constantly monitoring and will meet again late May to review and decide for JULY/AUGUST approvals. We encourage members to follow local government guidelines, CDC recommendations and Play On protocols when organizing and participating in domestic tournaments.

Our commitment is the health and safety of all who play soccer and work to make soccer the preeminent sport in the United States. Our goal is to work together and get everyone back on the fields playing as soon and as safe as possible.