Crossfire Select – State Cup Participation Policy

1. Purpose

This policy outlines the guidelines and requirements for Crossfire Select teams participating in Washington Youth Soccer State Cup tournaments. It ensures consistency and appropriate competition placement across all age groups.

2. Club Support

Crossfire Select encourages every team to participate in a State Cup tournament each year but it's not mandatory.

- **Entry fees are paid by the Club**

3. Tournament Levels

3.1 Founders Cup

Intended primarily for Select-level teams.

3.2 Presidents Cup

A more competitive tournament typically suits Premier-level teams, RCL competitors, and Select-level girls high school teams as there is no Founders cup available.

4. Eligibility & Placement

Teams are permitted to enter **one State Cup tournament per season** and are placed into the appropriate division and age group by the states competition committee.

4.1 Age Group Participation

- **Girls & Boys U9–U14:** Founders Cup
- **Girls U15–U19:** Presidents Cup
    - Teams requesting entry into **Presidents 1** must obtain Director of Coaching (DOC) approval.
- **Boys U15–U19:** Founders Cup
    - Entry into Presidents Cup requires DOC approval.

4.2 Placement Considerations

Tournament placement is determined by:

- Team performance during the Fall season(s), and

- Results from previous years' State Cup participation.

Teams entering Presidents Cup should begin in **Presidents 2** unless otherwise approved by the DOC to enter D1.

5. Compliance

All Crossfire Select teams and coaches are expected to adhere to this policy. Non-compliance may result in review by Club leadership and potential restrictions on future tournament participation.