

PORTLAND TIMBERS & THORNS



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The Portland Timbers Regional Training Centers (RTC), will serve as a player's first opportunity to work in the Timbers youth development program, with additional training and identification events in the fall and winter seasons. RTC will focus on one additional training session on Sunday nights, with and against the top players in the RTC centers in Portland.. Players aged 2015-2012 can train in specific regional locations in the Portland area with curriculum and staff selected by the Timbers Academy. RTC Locations will consist of 12 competitive training sessions in total. 6 training sessions between September and October. With the remaining 6 training sessions occurring between January and March 2024. The RTC fee of \$275 cover ALL 12 training sessions.

PLAYERS.

- All Players must register for RTC tryouts in advance
- All players are required to arrive at least 15 minutes prior to their tryout time to check in at the RTC tents
- All players should wear soccer appropriate gear to RTC tryouts. For example: shorts, socks, shin guards, jersey top and cleats
- Once checked in all Players will receive a tryout number. Players should attach this number (with provided pins) to either their left or right short / pant leg
- Players will be required to wear this same "tryout number" to the second day of tryouts
- All Players in attendance should bring a ball and their own water / drink.

**ALL Players in attendance must register in advance. NO "walk ups are permitted".
Tryout Registration will close 1 day prior to tryouts**

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AFTER TRYOUTS.

Once tryouts have concluded, the RTC coaching staff will begin the process of choosing players who are good fit for the RTC Program.

An email will be sent out to players / parents who have been offered a spot within an RTC training pool. Players who are NOT offered a spot will also receive an email. This is a competitive training program and not all players make one of our location pools of players.

Please note these emails will be sent to the email address used when registering for tryouts within the “sports connect” account that you created. Please also check your spam. Emails are usually sent 24-48hrs after the final tryout session.

Within the welcome email offering a player spot in the age group will be further instructions for accepting the player position. Please ensure player acceptance occurs within the acceptance deadline (within 2 days) as spots can be offered to other players.

There are payment plan options for families who wish to pay player training fees across 3 months on an automatic payment withdrawal plan.

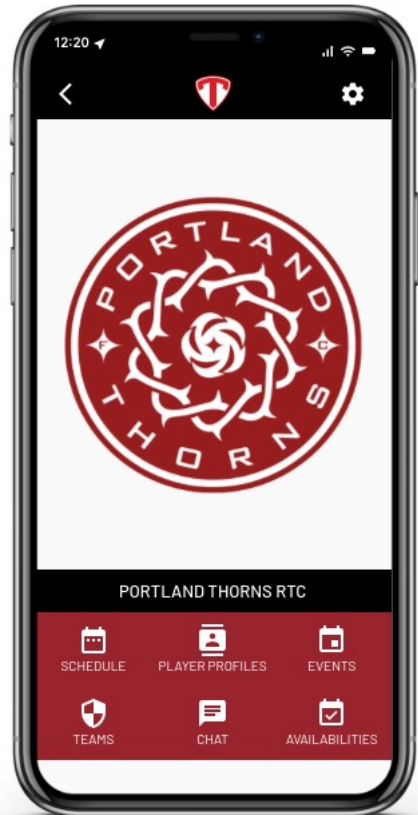
RTC Training Gear can be purchased at Tursis Soccer once you have received a confirmation email from our staff. Please do NOT attempt to purchase RTC gear until you receive the confirmation email to go into the store to purchase. RTC training gear is not included within the RTC player training fees.

When will team practices start up? Every location might be a little different, but the aim is to start up practices on Sunday Sept 17th. All RTC training sessions will occur on Sunday evenings.

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TEAM STACK APP.



This year RTC will utilize the “Team Stack App” for all team, player and coach communications.

This custom app is like teamsnap and will enhance how we communicate as within our RTC Pools.

Once player invites have been sent out via “stack sports” parents can expect to receive another email with further instructions and links to download the app. All player / parent information will be transferred directly to the app from stack sports which will allow for an extremely simple and smooth sign-up process.

Once parents have signed up, they will start receiving push notifications direct to their smartphone!

Within the app practices and events can be created which allow coaches to plan appropriately for training sessions based on player availability.



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QUESTIONS?

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