USSF POLICY AMENDMENTS AFFIRMED AT JUNE 2013 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The following policy amendments were passed in the last year, were affirmed by the National Council in June 2013, and will be added to the full Policy Book in its next printing:

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Policy 601-5

►NEW SECTION 6

Policy 601-5 – Registration of Amateur Players

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Section 6. Inclusion Policy

To clarify the Bylaws, membership of the Federation is open to all soccer organizations and all soccer players, coaches, trainers, managers, administrators and officials without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression or national origin.

For the purposes of registration on gender-based amateur teams, a player may register with the gender team with which the player identifies, and confirmation sufficient for guaranteeing access shall be satisfied by documentation or evidence that shows the stated gender is sincerely held, and part of a person's core identity. Documentation satisfying the herein stated standard includes, but is not limited to, government-issued documentation or documentation prepared by a health care provider, counselor, or other qualified professional not related to the player.

This policy shall not apply to the Federation's National Teams programs, but application of this or a similar policy shall be re-evaluated at such time as FIFA addresses the issue.

This policy shall not apply to Professional Leagues.

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Policy 102(4)-1—Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup

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U.S. Open Cup Stadium Requirements

- **All Open Cup Matches from Round ~~3~~1 to the Final must guarantee:**
- A playing surface of at least 68 yds by 110 yds Smooth, flat, and level playing surface with natural grass
- Clear and distinct field markings according to FIFA specifications
- Goal nets and corner flags
- Adequate lighting for night play
- Electronic scoreboard in working order that counts up to 45 minutes when possible
- Clear and audible public address system
- Team benches to accommodate 14 personnel per team
- Fourth official's table
- An enclosed stadium for controlled ticket access; adequate tickets sales staff, ushers, security
- Minimum seating capacity that is appropriate for the scheduled match/round.
- Press box areas w/ phone and fax capabilities to accommodate at least 20 media members
- Dressing rooms with working showers (either connected to stadium or in an adjacent structure) for teams, with an additional separate dressing area for the match officials
- EMS vehicle on site, or emergency response procedures written and distributed.
- Flag of the United States displayed and United States National Anthem played.
- Sufficient floodlights for TV broadcasts.
- Suitable area to park TV production truck.

The U.S. Open Cup Commissioner shall have the authority to waive or modify the stadium requirements for good cause, or may place additional conditions or requirements for hosting an Open Cup game.

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Policy 214-2

Policy 214-2—Membership Fees - (All Figures in United States Dollars ($))

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Section 2.	Disabled Service Organization Player Fee	$~~1,05~~00 plus $1 per player over 500 registered players (maximum fee of $1,000)

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