

## Select Uniforms and Numbering

Process and Procedures

## **Uniforms Policy and Procedures**

Uniforms for Southlake are to be consistent across the Southlake Select Branded Teams. This policy does not apply to other clubs within the GRTYSA family (i.e. SHB, CityFC, PacNW).

Uniforms and the Uniform Vendor is decided on by the Board of Directors. Each year, the Board votes on uniforms whether to keep the existing uniform kits, adjust the current kits (i.e. adding an alternative jersey choice) or completely re-doing the kits for the club. The Board may vote to continue to use the existing vendor or change vendors.

As of the start of the 2022 season, Southlake is using ProTime Sports as the Vendor, and the following kits are currently available for teams to choose from for the 2024-2025 season:

- Red Kit
- Black Kit
- White Jersey Top (works well with Red and Black shorts from Red/Black kits)
- White/Purple Kit
- Purple Jersey Top (works well with white/purple kit) Available May 17th

Teams may choose any or all these options but **must have at least two jersey tops**. It is recommended to not just select the Red and Black kit as the Red and Black jersey tops **are not differentiating enough**. The white jersey top goes great with the Black shorts or Red Shorts. If choosing the White/purple kit, it's recommended to also choose either the red or black full kits as well, or the purple alternative jersey top.

Age groups with multiple teams. If there are multiple teams of the same gender and age, teams must coordinate together to ensure the same kits are used so players can move within the teams of the age group for tournament or game play (guest player pass), and so if a player changes teams (i.e. White team to Red team) in the following year, they don't have to buy all new jersey kits if they still fit.

Possible combinations for teams:

- Red Kit plus White Jersey Top
- Black Kit plus White Jersey Top
- White/Purple Kit plus Red Kit or Black Kit and Purple jersey top.
- Other combinations above as a team decision

Goal Keepers do have options for Southlake branded goalie jerseys on the ProTime website. However, the Goal-Keeper may choose any goalie jersey they like and are not required to use ProTime. It is not required to have Southlake on their goalie jersey.

The team may also decide to require additional unform options for their team (backpack, warmups, etc.). This is a team-by-team decision. If the team requires it, then all players must abide. If the team makes additional items optional, then players can choose whether or not to purchase additional items.

If a team gets a sponsor, a sponsor logo may be added to the jersey on the opposite side or sleeve than the Southlake logo.

Each player is responsible for their own orders through the ProTime Southlake specific online store. Each player pays online and chooses to pick up. It's the Coach or Team Manager's responsibility to pick up all of the jersey kits from ProTime at once, do not make players pay for their own shipping or pick up on their own. It's ProTime's practice to have one team representative pick up in bulk.

Anyone is allowed to order from the Southlake ProTime team store throughout the season for other items such as Southlake branded spirit wear. These individual items may be shipped or picked up directly by the person ordering.

## **Jersey Numbering Policy**

Jersey numbers are important to players, some players have dreamed of being a specific number their whole life or have a player they admire so much they want to share their same jersey number. Southlake wants to do everything possible to make this happen, however, has to have a policy in place to ensure that players are not forced to change numbers at the start of a new season which would mean having to buy all new jersey kits and additional numbered items such as backpacks or other purchased items with their number on it. The goal is that once a player starts in the Southlake select program and gets their first number, they can keep it for the life of playing for Southlake Select. Furthermore, if two players in the same age group have the same jersey numbers, and one team needs a guest player for a tournament, they don't have to worry about number duplication.

It is Southlake's policy that no two players in the same age group will duplicate numbers. This policy ensures all statements above related to policy are true.

Procedure:

U9 select teams (first year of select)

- Red Team selects their numbers first
- White Team selects their numbers second
- Purple Team selects their numbers third

U10 teams and above

- Players that were on a previous select team keep their same number regardless of team they are selected on unless the PLAYER chooses to change a number to an available number.
- If there is a situation where in the past season two players did have the same number and now they are selected on the same team, the Coach should do everything possible to resolve the conflict. If one of the players does not choose on their own to change numbers, then the player that was on the higher team in in the previous season has seniority and gets to keep their number. The other player is then forced to change.
  - By following the policy consistently, this will be avoided.

- At the conclusion of tryouts for the new season, the following procedure applies to selecting numbers for **those new players to the Select program**:
  - New players on the red team get first option for the available numbers at the age group
  - New players on the white team get the next option for available numbers at the age group
  - New players on the purple team get the next option for available numbers at the age group
- If a player leaves the organization, their number becomes immediately available for new or other players wishing to change to that number at the same age group.