



Wednesday, January 7, 2026

ISC 2026 Bubble Blowout Participants,

Thanks again to all of you for registering for the 2026 ISC Bubble Blowout. We are looking forward to a great event starting on Friday, January 9 and ending Sunday, January 11!

We have over 270 Teams registered for our 2026 tournament. We look forward to hosting all of you and making sure that everyone has a great experience!

Listed below is some important preliminary information to consider as you prepare your team and players for our event.

TOURNAMENT SITE: HAWKEYE TENNIS AND RECREATION CENTER, HTRC.

HTRC ADDRESS: 2820 Prairie Meadow Drive, Iowa City, IA

I will make sure to send parking information asap. There are some changes from last year's tournament and some new areas that families cannot park, so please make sure to be on the lookout for this email.

YOUTH TEAM CHECK-IN PROCEDURE

- All youth teams are required to submit an ISC event roster at check-in prior to their first game. Rosters are frozen once your first game starts. This means that you cannot add players after the first game starts. **The roster limit per team is 6 player and there are**

no exceptions to this rule. The event rosters must be submitted in person at the tournament at our check-in desk. Please print off the roster and write in your player names on the roster. We do not allow the event rosters to be submitted via email. **I have attached the roster document in this email.**

- ISC Bubble Blowout event rosters can also be downloaded under Check-in Materials on the ISC website [HERE](#).
- Team managers must also present valid youth player passes for each player on their roster at the time of check-in by submitting the player passes in person on site at the HTRC. To be clear, all players that are still in high school, regardless of whether they are registered to play in the men's open or women's open, must provide proof that they have a valid 2025-2026 US Club Soccer player card or USYS player card. Player cards will only be reviewed at the check-in at the registration table. They will not be checked prior to each game unless there is a question about player eligibility.
- We ask that teams check-in at least 30 minutes prior to their first game. The check-in location will be directly in front of field #2.

ADULT TEAM CHECK-IN PROCEDURE

- Adult teams are required to submit an ISC event roster at check-in prior to their first game. Rosters are frozen once your first game starts. This means that you cannot add players after the first game starts. The event rosters must be submitted in person at the tournament at our check-in desk. Please print off the roster and write in your player names on the roster. **We do not allow the event rosters to be submitted via email.**
- Adult players must also complete an online waiver prior to the start of their first game to be eligible to play in the Bubble Blowout. You can find the link for this on the [ISC website](#).
- Bubble Blowout event rosters and the adult waiver can be downloaded under Check-in Materials on our ISC website, but I have also attached the event roster in this email.
- A list of adults that have completed waivers will also be available under Check-in Materials and will be updated daily this week. We will start updating this list at the end of the day on Thursday, January 8, 2026. An updated list will be posted each day after that so you can check to see if all of your adult players have filled out the waiver
- High school teams playing in the Men's Open or Women's Open will follow the procedures for youth team check-in listed above even though they are playing in an adult division.

OTHER INFORMATION:

1) **SEATING FOR PARTICIPANTS:** There is no permanent seating in the HTRC, so if you would like to have a chair, please bring your own chair to sit in to watch the games. There is plenty of space for you to set up chairs by the fields.

2) While we recognize that the HTRC will be very crowded this weekend, parents, players, and other spectators are NOT permitted to sit on the sidelines with the players unless they are coaching or playing in the game. The referees and field marshal need to be able to manage the games and they cannot do so if the bench area includes spectators. The referees and tournament staff will ask families to find another place to watch the games or wait in between games.

3) The HTRC is a University of Iowa building. We need to follow their rules and guidelines for the event. There is no food allowed in the turf area, but families can bring coolers and keep them in the lobby area outside of the turf area.

4) Food Trucks will be available outside of the HTRC. More information will be sent later this week about what food truck vendors will be there and what hours that they will be there.

5) We will be selling T-shirts at the event on all 3 days of the event.

6) **We require an ADULT on the bench with all youth teams for every match.** The referees will not start the games without an adult on the bench. To be clear, the 18U and 19U boys' teams need an adult on the bench for ALL games even though they are playing in the men's open division. All 16U, 17U, 18U, and 19U girls' teams playing in the women's open will also need an adult on the bench for all games.

7) **SOME TEAMS NEED INDOOR SHOES AND OUTDOOR SHOES**

There are two main turf areas in the Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Facility. The turf areas are named the Iowa Turf and the Hawkeye Turf.

Fields #1-#6 are located in what is called the Iowa Turf. Cleats are allowed on the Iowa Turf, which includes Fields #1-#6.

Fields #7 and #8 are on the Hawkeye Turf. Cleats are NOT ALLOWED on #7 and #8.

8) AWARDS-All 9U-12U divisions are considered festival divisions. All 9U-12U teams are guaranteed 4 games but there are no playoffs and therefore no team awards. We do not recognize an age group winner in the 9U-12U Festival Divisions. I will send out more information describing the individual awards for the 9U-12U divisions asap.

All 13U and older divisions will recognize a first place and second place team. All members of the 1st place and 2nd place teams will receive an individual plaque and will be presented the plaque by tournament officials at the end of the final game.

We will also have individual awards for most 13U and older divisions. I will send out more information regarding these awards asap.

Thanks again for participating! We are looking forward to an awesome tournament.

Thanks,

Jon Cook -ISC Coaching Director