



# GAWSA REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

## RETURNING PLAYERS

August 2024 – June 2025

Our Mission: To be the Premier Women's Amateur Women's Soccer League in the State of Georgia  
"A Game for Life"

All players and team administrators register in a 2-step management system:  
**SPORTS CONNECT** (GAWSA management system) and **AFFINIITY** (GA Soccer management system)

**PLEASE** read through the instructions before starting, as there have been a few changes for registration 2024-2025  
Due to firewalls and security concerns, you will not be able to register using your smart phone.

**IMPORTANT:** If for any reason you cannot log in to your Sports Connect or Affinity account, including but not limited to: name change, email change, forgot username, forgot password, **DO NOT** create a new account.  
Contact the league registrar for assistance.

### STEP 1 - REGISTERING IN SPORTS CONNECT – RETURNING PLAYERS

**EVERYONE MUST BE REGISTERED IN SPORTS CONNECT BEFORE REGISTERING IN AFFINITY**

- You will receive an invite from [postmaster@bluesombrero.com](mailto:postmaster@bluesombrero.com)
- Click "Accept Invite"
- You will be taken to the GAWSA website (Sports Connect)
  - ❖ Click the Tab that states the "# Programs Available
  - ❖ Select the season you are registering for
- Select the Division you are registering for
- Click continue
- Complete/verify the contact information
  - ❖ **Make sure all your personal information is accurate and up to date**
  - ❖ **Legal First and Last name only** (no nicknames), DOB, current address (*no PO Box*), personal email, phone...
  - *All your contact information must match in Sports Connect and Affinity*
- Select "yes" – Do you have a team code
  - ❖ **Type in your team code found on your invitation email.**
  - ❖ **If you don't find it, STOP and contact your team manager**
- Complete the questionnaire
  - ❖ Country of birth
  - ❖ Country of citizenship
  - ❖ Has the player played outside the US
  - ❖ Is the participant new or returning?
  - ❖ Check "I Accept" box on the four (4) waivers
- **Click the link** *[Looks like this: ↗]* **to the right of the registration question to register with GA Soccer**
  - ❖ You will be redirected to Affinity/GA Soccer
  - ❖ **Do not log in to your account (see below Affinity instructions)**
  - ❖ **NOTE: Even if you have registered for the 2024-2025 Seasonal Year with GA Soccer through another league, you still have to register with GAWSA though GA Soccer.**

**IMPORTANT:** After your complete your registration with Affinity (GA Soccer), you will need to return to Sports Connect and complete your registration with GAWSA.

**STEP 2 - REGISTERING IN AFFINITY (GA SOCCER) RETURNING PLAYERS**  
**EVERYONE MUST BE REGISTERED IN SPORTS CONNECT BEFORE REGISTERING IN AFFINITY**

Click this link: *The link is intentionally left off*

**DO NOT LOG IN – You are registering to play on a team for the 2024-2025 seasonal year (September 1-August 31)**

- Select **REGISTRATION** tab in the top corner
- **Login with email**
  - ❖ **Make sure all your personal information accurate and up to date**
  - ❖ **Legal First and Last name only (no nicknames), DOB, current address (no PO Box), personal email, phone, etc.**
    - **All your contact information must match in Sports Connect and Affinity**
    - **If your legal name is not correct or changed, contact the league registrar. You cannot change it yourself.**
- Select 2024/2025 in the “Select a Season” drop down box
- Select the team you are joining
  - ❖ **If you don’t see your team, make sure you scroll down to the end. If you still don’t see your team, STOP and contact your team manager and the registrar**
  - ❖ **DO NOT REGISTER to a random team**
- Click **ADD SELF TO TEAM**
- Click **PLAYER**
- Continue to follow all the prompts.
- Upload a facial photo. **Required**
  - ❖ **If your photo is more than 5 years old, please upload a current photo**
- Pay \$30
  - ❖ The fee is \$10 if you have registered for the 2024-2025 Seasonal Year with GA Soccer through another league.
- Your registration is complete.

***Please return to Sports Connect to complete your registration with GAWSA.***