



MSDSL Welcomes Michigan Tigers FC for 2010-2011 Season

LANSING, MI – The Michigan State Developmental Soccer League is pleased to announce the addition of the Michigan Tigers FC to its 2010-2011 league lineup.

The Michigan Tigers FC, based in Washtenaw County and established in 2008, will become the seventh club to join the MSDSL. Canton Soccer Club, Force FC, Livonia City Soccer Club, Michigan Jaguars, TNT Dynamite Soccer Club and Waza FC are the six original, founding members of the league.

“Michigan Tigers FC represents the perfect fit in expanding the MSDSL,” said MSDSL Commissioner Dan Raben. “Their commitment to player development is consistent with that of the founding members of the league, and their presence this next year will help us continue to promote youth soccer that is creative, fun and competitive.”

“Michigan Tigers FC is looking forward to joining the exceptional lineup of clubs that make up the MSDSL,” said Divi Neto, Michigan Tigers FC Director of Coaching. “The format and emphasis of the league are especially attractive. We feel the league will help us better develop our players, and by becoming its seventh member we can help better develop the league for the future.”

The Michigan State Developmental Soccer League, which offers competitive soccer divisions from ages eight to thirteen for both boys and girls, debuted in September 2009 with its inaugural Match Day. The Match Day format – one-day festivals in which teams from each club travel to a common location and play one or two matches per day – helps foster a club-friendly environment by reducing the overall weekend time commitment for families.

In addition, the league emphasizes individual player development -- specifically technique and ball-mastery – while deemphasizing the “win-at-all-cost” approach to youth soccer, which can cause teams to cut corners when developing players.

For more information on the Michigan Tigers FC, visit www.michigantigersfc.com.
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