

ONLINE REGISTRATION FAQ'S

Why the OSA Selected Sport Ngin:

The Ontario Soccer Association announced that it has selected Sport Engine to provide its entire suite of sports management technology to the OSA's districts, clubs, leagues, academies, tournaments, and over 450,000 participants.

As part of the long-term agreement, Sport Engine also becomes the "Official Technology Partner of the Ontario Soccer Association," aligning with the organization's new strategic direction to be more current and relevant to its member organizations.

"Our partnership with Sport Engine allows us to equip our member organizations with leading sports technology at special OSA member rates," said Johnny Miskey, Executive Director, Ontario Soccer Association. "The Sport Engine platform, their technology to manage sports organizations and ecosystem of integrations will provide a great benefit for our membership from the participant in the community through to the provincial level. User experience at the family and club level was paramount in reaching our decision and no one does that better than Sport Engine."

Why Hamilton Sparta Selected Sport Engine:

Hamilton Sparta has looked into implementing on-line registration systems in the past. Based on the growth of the Club the time is now right. Sport Engine was selected due to the fact the OSA has mandated that Sport Engine will be the only option available to club's for on-line registration. Clubs that currently use other on-line registration vendors will be allowed to finish their contract. Moving forward they must use Sport Engine.

Why Use Online Registration?:

Hamilton Sparta has grown to the point where collection of money and cheques from our members on an annual basis has become time consuming for the coaches and club administrators to manage. Online registration will allow the Club to focus on soccer tasks and let the on-line registration vendors deal collection of money. It will also provide an immediate receipt of payment.

Online registration will also help Hamilton Sparta reduce the amount of paper consumed annually through manual registration. A paper copy of the following forms will be eliminated.

- Player Registration Form

- Player Waiver Form
- Code of Conduct

What are Sport Engine & NBC Sports:

Minneapolis start-up Sport Engine has been sold to NBC Sports Group, capping years of rapid growth and plentiful financing for the software company.

Sport Engine is the nation's largest provider of web software and mobile applications to manage youth, amateur and professional sports. More than 500,000 sports teams, leagues, clubs and associations use the platform.

CEO and co-founder Justin Kaufenberg said NBC Sports is "the most visible company" within the multi-billion-dollar market for youth sports. The sale gives Sport Engine access to more capital as well as exposure that comes from being part of an organization with international reach and built-in name recognition.

How Will My Child's Registration Be Processed?:

- 1) Sport Engine - Step 1 – Families will go to the www.hamiltonsparta.com website and select the team or program you wish to register for.
- 2) Hamilton Sparta - Step 2 – Once a player has been registered on-line through Sport Engine Hamilton Sparta will process the player's OSA record and assign them to a team or squad or the academy. Once your child is registered they will be issued a valid player book and be covered under the OSA insurance policy. The player book and team roster your child has been assigned to will be given to the coach for league and tournament validation throughout the season. Without the book your child cannot participate in soccer.

Will I Have Payment Options?:

Yes, when you register online you will have various payment options available to you

Academy:

No options - full payment is required for Summer or Winter

Grassroots ages 8 - 12 & Youth ages 13 - 18:

1. Option 1 – you can pay the full amount up front
2. Option 2 – you can pay \$300 up front when you register on-line the remaining fee will be automatically be deducted March 15
3. Option 3 - you can pay by e-transfer full amount. No additional fees will be applied.
4. Option 4 - you can pay \$300 up front when you register online the remaining fee will be automatically deducted March 15

Is There a Cost To Register Online?:

Yes, when you register and pay online there will be a 3% registration fee added to the invoice as well as \$1.10 transaction fee.

If you are using Option 2 - 3% of the full amount will be add to the first installment. The \$1.10 transaction fee will be added March 15 when the final payment is withdrawn.

When I register Online How Secure is My Information?:

Sport Engine uses PCI level 1 security. This is the same solution used by Amazon and many other major user. On your invoice all credit card numbers will be blanked out except for the last 4 digits.

The Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) is a set of security standards designed to ensure that ALL companies that accept, process, store or transmit credit card information maintain a secure environment.

The Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council (PCI SSC) was launched on September 7, 2006 to manage the ongoing evolution of the Payment Card Industry (PCI) security standards with a focus on improving payment account security throughout the transaction process. The PCI

DSS is administered and managed by the PCI SSC (www.pcisecuritystandards.org), an independent body that was created by the major payment card brands (Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover and JCB.). It is important to note that the payment brands and acquirers are responsible for enforcing compliance, not the PCI council. [A copy of the PCI DSS is available here](#)

Who Will Be Using The Online Registration System at Hamilton Sparta?:

Families Registering their child with Hamilton Sparta for Academy, Grassroot squads and Youth teams must use the Sport Engine registration system. All Hamilton Sparta Coaching Staff, Administrators, Board of Directors and Volunteers will also be using the system to register with the Club.