

Abronzino Placement Rules Fall 2007

1. No more league quotas for accepting teams in Abronzino (except at U10 age group).
2. The number of teams shall not exceed 20 per age group by gender, divisions consisting of 6, 6, and 8 teams for divisions 1, 2, and 3 respectively
3. The top division for each age group may consist of more than 6 teams with adequate justification and approval by the Abronzino board (main purpose is to keep competitive teams together).
4. The winners of Delgado and Redwood leagues shall be promoted into the Abronzino lower division. Tie-breaker rules for Delgado and Redwood will apply for determining the winners for promotion into Abronzino
5. Santa Cruz League will be allocated one team at the U11 age group/per gender, then subject to the same guidelines starting from U12.
6. U10 age group will continue to operate in the same manner as 2006. Leagues are responsible for releasing the teams to Abronzino. Each league is entitled to 2 teams per gender. Redwood Jr. League is entitled to 4 teams per gender.
7. Based solely on overall season-end records, the top 14 teams in each age group will be identified in order of strength, after switches between divisions. The bottom team of Div 2 will be swapped with the top team of Div 3. If after this swap, the Div 3 champion is not included in the list of 14, then the Div 3 champion will take the 14th spot, and the previous team in the 14th spot will be in the 15th spot. These top 14 teams are guaranteed placement in Abronzino for the following season. All other teams desiring placement for the following season must apply to the Abronzino league commissioner by the Friday before the March board meeting (first Monday in March). Selection of teams for the remaining Abronzino openings shall be at the discretion of the Abronzino board, and it will be decided at the March Abronzino Board meeting. There are 16 teams guaranteed spots in Fall 2007, the best 14 teams at the end of the fall season 2006, plus the winner of Delgado and the winner of Redwood. There are only 4 spots for the Abronzino board to decide on.
8. Teams playing in SPL and GSSL Gold with an above .500 record are guaranteed placement into division 1. Other teams will be placed appropriately (and will be considered for division 1). Champions from the Alvarez League may apply also to play Abronzino.
9. Teams are allowed to play up in age group with Abronzino board approval
10. One or more teams might be relegated from the bottom of the Abronzino's lowest playing Div per age/gender group. Once a team is relegated, the only way back into Abronzino is by winning either Delgado or Redwood leagues.
11. Teams placed in the bubble at the end of a season will be notified of their playing status on the following dates (ages as of the following Fall season):
U13 and younger: the day after the Abronzino meeting in the month of February
U14 and older: the day after the Abronzino meeting in the month of April
(Abronzino meetings are in the first Monday of each month.)

Approved by the Abronzino Board as of November, 13 2006.