



# Everything You Need to Know!

## **What is VIPL?**

The Vancouver Island Premier League (VIPL) provides Tier 2 soccer for our youth soccer players. ([LINK to levels of play graphic](#)).

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The Vancouver Island Premier League's (VIPL) goal is to allow the best to play with the best, including Upper Island Soccer Association (UISA), in an Island base league (one level below BC Soccer Premier League (BCSPL)). The goal of the VIPL is to enable aspiring players to develop to a sufficient level that allowed them to have the ability to play in the BCSPL (formerly called HPL). The VIPL playing days are offset with the BCSPL to allow for VIPL players to permit easily into the BCSPL system.

## **What is the goal of VIPL?**

- Provide a competitive Island wide tier two program

## **How did VIPL Change in 2017?**

- For the 2017-18 season, VIPL teams will regionally based with three teams will be selected from the LISA district

## **Why did VIPL change in 2017?**

- It was changed to allow all players the opportunity to play regardless of where they live as opposed to the previous system that was challenging for some areas due to the issues of transfers and boundaries.

**Who does this affect?**

- For the 2017-18 season this change will only affect the 2004 age group who will play in the VIPL starting in September of 2017

**How will Lower Island operate VIPL in 2017?**

- The VIPL format is not changing. Lower island teams will play away games against both the UISA VIPL teams, as well as games against each other.

**How will selections work?**

- The assessment process will start in March. All interested players will attend the same assessment, and must pre-register. Additional assessment sessions will be in April.

**How many teams are in VIPL?**

- 2 upper island teams
- 3 lower island teams ( 2017/2018-U14 only)
- 3-5 lower island teams (remaining divisions)

**Does it cost extra?**

- VIPL players selected will register with their home club (based on residential address), paying the club fees. All VIPL players will also pay an additional VIPL fee.

**How many games?**

- The 2004 age group will play 4 rounds of games, two at home and two away for a total of 16 league games.

**Planning Vacations:**

- You will be part of a team! Please make sure that you and your family's plan vacations with possible games/cup play in mind.

**I am not registered with Lower Island Soccer Association, can I still play VIPL?**

- Tryouts shall be open (only) to all players registered with a lower island club.