



# Major Arena Soccer League

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### **MAJOR ARENA SOCCER LEAGUE ANNOUNCES 2016-17 SCHEDULE**

Each team will once again play a 20-game schedule for the upcoming season

The Major Arena Soccer League will begin its third season on Saturday, October 29th featuring four games under a new alignment for the 17-team league.

Expansion El Paso Coyotes will travel to take on the Dallas Sidekicks, the Kansas City Comets host the Cedar Rapids Rampage, the Tacoma Stars will host last season's Western Conference Champion Soles De Sonora (Mexico) and the Turlock Express will visit the San Diego Sockers all part of the league's opening night games.

*"San Diego Sockers are proud and honored to be selected to open the 2016-2017 Major Arena Soccer League season. We are excited to begin our "Quest for 15" against Turlock Express as we celebrate our Home Opener." –San Diego Sockers*

The reigning MASL Champion Baltimore Blast kick off the defense of their title November 5th on the road at Harrisburg while their Home Opener is scheduled for November 11th against the Milwaukee Wave.

Teams are split into four divisions in two conferences, with 9 teams in the Eastern Conference, and 8 in the Western Conference. The top two teams from each division will qualify this season for the post-season.

The Eastern Division will feature Syracuse, Harrisburg, Baltimore and Expansion Florida. The Central Division, the only 5-team division, boasts Cedar Rapids, Chicago, Milwaukee, Kansas City and St. Louis.

Out West, Expansion El Paso is part of the Southwest Division with Baja, Dallas and Sonora. The Pacific Division includes Ontario (California) along with San Diego, Tacoma and Turlock.

Each team will play 10 games at home and 10 away, with limited amount of inter-conference play. Kansas City will venture to visit Ontario and San Diego in the Pacific, historic powerhouses Dallas and Baltimore will clash in a home and home series this season, while San Diego will travel East to Florida's Home Opener on November 11th. El Paso will debut at home on November 4th as they host Dallas.

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“We look forward to facing expansion team Florida Tropics in their Home Opener. We’re positive it will be a celebration of soccer in Florida.” – San Diego Sockers

The regular season will end on Sunday March 5th highlighted by Central Division rivals Chicago at Milwaukee in a playoff potential implication game. For more information, or to view the entire schedule, go to MASLSoccer.com.

#### **ABOUT THE MAJOR ARENA SOCCER LEAGUE**

The MASL was formed in 2014 by teams from the Professional Arena Soccer League and Major Indoor Soccer League. The league represents the highest level of professional arena soccer in the world, and features teams across North America, with teams playing coast-to-coast in the United States and Mexico.

