What is the Thorns Regional Training Center (RTC) Program?
The Regional Training Center program, run by the Portland Thorns youth department in conjunction with OYSA, and commonly referred to as the RTC program, is a developmental program created to identify and develop future Thorns Olympic Development Program players throughout the state of Oregon and Southwest Washington.

The RTC program is structured with nine Regional Training Centers around the state. These nine centers are located in Portland West, Portland East, Portland North/Vancouver, WA, Portland South, Bend, Eugene, Salem, Medford and the Gorge. The goal of the RTC program is to increase participation and identification in these heavily populated parts of the state for players 9-13 years of age while offering consistent training to these players with a high-level coaching staff in place.

By having a regionalized program, travel and expenses are limited for families while also creating good competition with top-level coaching in each part of the state for players to improve and develop. This process allows the Thorns to then identify the top talent in all parts of the state of Oregon and Southwest Washington for future play in the Thorns Olympic Development Program.

What is Portland Thorns Olympic Development Program (ODP)?
As players go through the RTC program, the ultimate end goal is to be selected to the Thorns Olympic Development Program. The Portland Thorns Olympic Development Program is a program designed to identify the top youth players in the state of Oregon and Southwest Washington. In ODP, elite youth players throughout the country are chosen to represent their state association, region and ultimately, the United States in soccer competition. ODP teams are formed at the state association and regional levels, made up a lot of the best players in various age groups. At the state level, pools of players are identified in each eligible age group and then brought together as a team to develop their skill through training and competition.

Through a collaborative effort between the Portland Thorns and Oregon Youth Soccer Association, Oregon is a nationally recognized ODP program with a cutting-edge youth development system. Through ODP, these programs provide an integrated pathway to developing players for next-level programs like ODP regional team, national team and collegiate play.

The principal Portland Thorns/OYSA ODP mission is to identify, evaluate, and provide more training opportunities for the elite youth soccer players in Oregon. As part of the effort, the Portland Thorns ODP program is dedicated to helping to develop the highest level of youth soccer in the state. This objective will be achieved in an atmosphere of integrity, fairness, and impartiality. The player's talent with a ball, their physical and cognitive skills, together with their attitude will be the criteria for entry into the program.
Why should I participate in Thorns RTC/ODP?
The Thorns RTC/ODP gives players the chance at a young age to participate in a major league development program. Around the world, player development starts as young as 5-years old in the top clubs. The Thorns goal is to help develop players here in the state with the idea of identifying homegrown talent and providing opportunities for players to be identified for Regional Pool or collegiate programs. Thorns RTC and ODP have produced many players who are playing professional soccer now including the recent Thorns addition, Bella Geist, who went through the Oregon ODP program and is now a professional player for the Thorns.

As shown below in our development pyramid below, you will see the suggested pathway for players in the Thorns program. By challenging players in a competitive setting, we are giving players the chance to develop and improve, while creating an environment that challenges them to become better players and move up the pyramid. When players become 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 years old, players have the opportunity to move up to the ODP program, and hopefully to the ODP regional pool and collegiate programs. The pyramid is a great visual tool for players to follow and the RTC program is a great step in the right direction of moving up the soccer ladder for players who have this goal.
Thorns ODP also gives players the chance to compete for Regional and National team opportunities along with college showcase opportunities. Other than Cal-South, no Western State has produced more ODP Regional Pool players over the last six years than Oregon. With Oregon’s soccer numbers being small in comparison to other states, that’s an amazing statistic. The ODP structure also gives players the chance to work with the top coaches in the state while also giving our players access to view Thorns training sessions and all ball-kid duties for the Thorns games during the season, which gives players the opportunity to see professional games up close and allows players in our program to have a connection with the professional players.

**How does the RTC/ODP process work?**

In order to understand the RTC process, we break it down into the four age groups with four different structures. Keep in mind the RTC and ODP program is a calendar year program which is in line now with the club age structure. In RTC and ODP, if a player is born in 2008 at any point, they will tryout for the 2008 RTC pool in your area. If a player is born in 2009 at any time, you will tryout for the 2009 RTC pool in your area. If you are born in 2010, you will tryout for the 2010 pool and players born in 2011 and 2012 will try out for the 2011/12 pool in your area. See the age group breakdown below.

**2008 Born Players RTC/ODP Structure**

If you were born in the year 2008 at any time, this is the pool you will tryout for in your RTC area. This pool is run differently than all others. If you live in the Portland East, Portland West, Vancouver or any other Northern part of the state area, you will tryout for the 2008 Portland Pool in late-August. We will create just one RTC pool in Portland this year for this age group which means we no longer have separate RTC pools in Portland West, Portland East and Vancouver and Portland South for the 2008’s. If you live in Salem, Eugene, Bend, Medford or the Gorge, you will tryout for the 2008 RTC pool in your area and train like you have in the past, once a week.

The 2008 RTC pools will train 8-10 sessions in the Fall which also includes a classroom session from our sports psychologist along with skills training information we track from day one to the end. Training will always take place on Friday or Sunday night. Once RTC training is completed in mid-November, we will hold our 2008 ODP Tryout weekends in late November/early December. All players will be invited to this tryout in order to be considered for the 2008 ODP pool. A pool of 30-35 players will be selected after the two tryout weekends and then the new ODP pool will have an ODP schedule starting in December and January. Players who participate in RTC will be allowed to tryout for the ODP state pool in November/December. No outside players will be allowed unless there is an injury to the player who is looking to tryout.
RTC players who do not make the final 2008 ODP pool will receive an evaluation of their play about a month after the tryout from your RTC Director. Once our Thorns ODP pool is selected in early December, we will begin training as a state pool and will prepare for the 2021 ODP Regional Championships in January. Once the ODP Regional Championship event is complete, all ODP state pool players will have an 8-10 session training schedule (January to March) that takes us in to spring break. These sessions typically take place on the weekend. This age group will not participate in the RTC Tournament in March like we have done in recent years. After your club state cup is completed in April, the 2008 ODP State Pool will come back together in May, train and prepare for tournament play in late May/early June. The top ODP players from this age group will then have the opportunity to be selected to ODP Regional Camp in early July, made up of the top 2008 players in the 14 Western States. From there, players can be selected to the ODP Regional Pool.

**2009 Born Players RTC/ODP Structure**

If you were born in the year 2009 at any time, this is the pool you will tryout for in your area. Contrary to the 2008 pool, the 2009 RTC pool will hold tryouts in all nine RTC centers: Portland East, Portland West, Portland North/Vancouver, Portland South, Salem, Eugene, Bend, Gorge and Medford. Training for these pools will take place in the nine designated areas on a Friday or Sunday night. RTC Tryouts will take place in late-August in the nine RTC regions. Players are encouraged to tryout with the RTC closest to you. We will not allow players to tryout in two different regions. Each RTC Pool will keep roughly 25-30 players after tryouts. Cuts are made to get us to this number.

The 2009 RTC Pools will train 8-10 times in the Fall with weeks four and eight designated for a combination training or games with other RTC pools. This will happen in Portland only. Outside of Portland, we may look to combine with another RTC just once during the fall season. Each RTC will participate in a classroom session with our Sports Psychologist, ideally in the Fall season as schedules allow. Each RTC player will also go through skills training and a nutrition session.

After the RTC Fall training is completed in mid-November, we will ask each RTC Director to send us 8-10 names of the top 2009 RTC players in their pools who will now participate in a tryout weekend in late November for a chance to participate in the ODP Regional Championships in January. We will select a group of 15 players from this invite pool who will attend the tournament. Once the event in January is completed, all players will go back to their RTC Pools and begin training in the Winter sessions.

In the Winter/Spring RTC season (January-March), the 2009 RTC pools will train 8-10 times and will look to hold the first 2-4 training sessions indoors with some Futsal sessions occurring during those times. Do know the indoor facilities are very busy this time of year so there is a chance we are forced to train outside during these times. The goal is to run these session are indoors though.

At the conclusion of the winter/spring sessions, all players will participate in the RTC Tournament which typically takes place in Eugene, Oregon, the first weekend of Oregon spring break. The long-term goal for all players in this 2009 age group is to be identified as one of the top players at the RTC Tournament where you will be trying out for the 2009 ODP state pool.
The final 2009 ODP state pool will have 32-36 players. The RTC Tournament is mandatory for all players who want to make the ODP state pool. Only injured players or players with regional or national team duty will be excused from the tournament.

Once the ODP state pool of roughly 32-36 players is selected, ODP players will move on with the state team with a designated schedule and RTC players not selected will receive an evaluation of their play in RTC within a month after the RTC Tournament. ODP players will have a training weekend on the last weekend of spring break before State Cup begins.

After State Cup is completed in April and May, the 2009 ODP State Pool will come back together in May, train and prepare for tournament play in late May/early June. The top ODP players from this age group will then have the opportunity to be selected to participate in ODP Regional Camp in early July, which is a camp made up of the top 2009 players in the 14 Western States. From there, players can be selected to the ODP Regional or National team.

**2010 Born Players RTC Structure**

If you were born in 2010 this is the pool you will tryout for in your area. We will hold tryouts for this age group with designated tryout times in Portland East, Portland West, Portland North/Vancouver, Portland South, Bend, Salem, Eugene, Medford and Hood River.

The 2010 RTC Pools will train 8-10 times in the Fall with weeks four and eight designated for games with other RTC pools or club teams in the Portland area only. Outside of Portland, we may look to combine with another RTC just once during the fall season.

Each RTC will participate in a classroom session with our Sports Psychologist, ideally in the Fall season as schedules allow. Each RTC player will also go through skills training and a nutrition session. The game focus will in this age group will be 9 v 9 to coincide with the Timbers/OYSA developmentally appropriate plan.

In the Winter/Spring RTC season (January-March), the 2010 RTC pools will look to train 8-10 times and will look to hold the first 2-4 training sessions indoors with some Futsal sessions likely occurring during those times. Do know the indoor facilities are very busy this time of year so there is always a chance we are forced to train outside. The goal is to run these sessions indoors though.

At the conclusion of the Winter/Spring session in early to mid-March, each RTC will send all players to the RTC Tournament in Eugene, Oregon. The nine RTC pools will then play in a round-robin tournament which also includes some small-sided activities or functional training for each player and we will select an ODP developmental state pool at the conclusion of the RTC Tournament. The RTC Tournament is mandatory for all player who want to make an ODP pool.

All players who participate in the 2010 RTC program will then receive an evaluation of their overall play from the RTC coaching staff within a month after the RTC Tournament. We will look to keep 30-36 players in the ODP Developmental Pool and these players will participate in some training in May and the Timbers Friendship Cup Memorial Day Weekend in Portland.
2011/12 Born Players RTC Structure
After a very successful 2019 season where we added a U9/10 age group to the RTC structure, we will continue with this again in 2020-21. So if you were born in 2011 or 2012 this is the pool you will tryout for in your area. We will hold tryouts for this age group with designated tryout times in Portland East, Portland West, Portland North/Vancouver, Portland South, Bend, Salem, Eugene, Gorge and Medford in early to mid-August.

The 2011/12 RTC Pools will train 8-10 times in the Fall with weeks four and eight designated for games with other RTC pools or club teams in the Portland area only. Outside of Portland, we may look to combine with another RTC just once during the fall season. Each RTC will participate in a classroom session with our Sports Psychologist, ideally in the Fall season as schedules allow. Each RTC player will also go through skills training and a nutrition session we will track from day one to the last session in the spring. The game focus in this age group will be 7 v 7 to coincide with the Timbers/OYSA developmentally appropriate plan.

In the Winter/Spring RTC season (January-March), the 2011/12 RTC pools will look to train 8-10 times and will look to hold the first 2-4 training sessions indoors. Do know the indoor facilities are very busy this time of year so there is always a chance we are forced to train outside. The goal is to run these sessions indoors though. At the conclusion of the Winter/Spring session in early to mid-March, each RTC will send all players to the RTC Tournament in Eugene, Oregon. The nine RTC pools will then play in a round-robin tournament which also includes some small-sided activities for each player. The tournament is a great way to end the season for the 11/12 age groups. All players who participate in the 2011/12 RTC program will then receive an evaluation of their overall play from the RTC coaching staff within a month after the RTC Tournament.

What is the RTC Tournament?
As we have discussed above for each age group (other than the 2008 group), the RTC Tournament is the end-of-the-season evaluation tournament we hold for the 2009 and 2010 groups and the end of the season tournament for the 2011/12 age groups. The RTC Tournament will take place during the first weekend of Oregon spring break in Eugene. The RTC Tournament weekend always starts with a Friday night Parent/Player/Staff meeting at our host Hotel. The night starts with a great video presentation where parents and players have the chance to see what the Thorns youth program and structure is all about. The weekend also gives our Thorns ODP staff a chance to see players and talk with parents about the tryout weekend and what to expect from them as coaches. We also bring in some guest speakers and our sports psychologist to chat with the players and parents as well. The feedback from parents and players after this event is always extremely positive and the players experience at this event is very positive. The RTC Tournament is the one mandatory event for all RTC players who want to be considered for an ODP pool (2009 and 2010). National team duty or injury are the only excused absences. No exceptions!
As for the tournament structure, we start all age groups with some small-sided activities Saturday morning. This allows our staff the opportunity to break-up players in to small groups and force them to play. Goalkeepers have a separate evaluation with our GK staff.

After we complete the small-sided activities, we get in to our round-robin tournament where RTC groups either compete against each other in a team format or are scrambled into teams. The winning RTC team is always recognized on the Timbers website and this event always provides a positive experience for players. 2009 and 2010 groups are evaluated by our ODP state staff and ODP rosters will be named on the Tuesday after the event.

There is no expense for players to participate in this event other than a hotel for Friday and Saturday night. The Timbers will set aside a list of hotels for each RTC to use during the weekend at discounted prices to simplify the process for parents who will be responsible for booking a hotel and transportation.

**Club Conflicts with RTC Training and ODP Training**

As we said above, we will always do what’s best for the player and our RTC staff will always encourage the player to attend all league games with their club teams during the RTC training season if the player has conflicts. Our schedule is made to work around club events, but there may be conflicts at times and we always want the players to feel comfortable if they have to miss an RTC session. The only event in RTC we require, other than at least one tryout, is the RTC Tournament in March along with the 2008 ODP Tryout in late November/early December. Once players get to the ODP state team, training is mandatory and we expect players to be at each event. There are very few ODP events that conflict with club events though.

As a lot of you know, the U12 and U13/14 Club DA in Portland has been shut down by US Soccer. US Soccer shut these down in Portland this last year which now means ALL PLAYERS FROM ANY CLUB ARE ELIGIBLE.

**Uniforms**

Part of the Timbers RTC process is the player kit players will receive if they make the RTC Pool. RTC players will receive 1 training t-shirt, rain jacket, rain pant, shorts, socks and bag. The Timbers jersey will be provided to the players who make the ODP pool. All RTC gear will be housed at Tursi’s Soccer Supply in Portland. Once RTC state fees are paid, we will release gear for pick-up. We work on a two-year cycle for gear and we will be in year-two of our current cycle this season so any returning player can use their kit from last year and all new players will purchase a new kit.

**Fees, financial aid, paperwork**

Shown on the next page is a fee outline of what to expect from the RTC and ODP process this next season. Please know we offer financial aid to players for a lot of events below. We never want cost to be an issue for a player to participate and we gave out more than $8,000 in scholarships last year between RTC and ODP. We also offer payment plans to families in case a fee can’t be paid in full up front. Scholarship applications will be accepted once RTC pools are formed.
RTC Fee Outline for Players who make the RTC Pool

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RTC Fee Description

• The $60 tryout fee is required for all players who tryout for the RTC program in August; there are 3-4 tryout dates for each RTC location.
• The $275 fee is for 2008 players who are using last year’s training kit. The $325 fee is for new players with no training kit from last year. The fee covers the RTC Fall program for the 2008 players who are in the Fall Only program along with the ODP Tryout in November and December.
• The $375 fee is for 2009, 2010 and 2011 players who are using last year’s training kit. The $425 fee is for new players with no training kit from last year. The fee covers the RTC program expenses for the entire RTC season for 2009-2012 players: This covers 18-20 training sessions, Sports Psychologist, Nutrition Information, training kit, RTC Tournament for 2009-2012 players.

ODP Fee Description

• The $750 is an estimated tournament cost for the January ODP Regional Championships in Phoenix, AZ for 2008 and 2009 players. Only 18 players (2008 players) and 15 players (2009 players) will be selected to this event per age group.
• The $285 ODP State fee is for 2008 players only who make the final ODP State Pool: This covers your training and Friendship Cup fees.
• The $150 ODP State/F. Cup fee is due from players who make the 2009 and 2010 ODP State Pool: This covers all your training, uniform and the Friendship Cup fee.
• The $500 Regional Camp fee is due to Region IV from players who are identified and selected to participate in ODP Regional Camp in early July. You are not required to attend this event.

Thorns Scholarship/Financial Aid Program

As noted on the last page, we have a scholarship program in place to help those who may need assistance with some of our fees. It’s very rare we give out the full amount to anybody for any of our fees above, but we do our best to help everybody if needed in some capacity. Requirements for scholarships are the scholarship application we provide to all players once pools are named along with Income Tax Return statements. Without these documents, we can’t help the player out. If you have questions about this process, please don’t hesitate to contact us via email.

We also provide payment plans for all of our fees. We understand some of these fees can’t be paid for all at once. We also know most families are paying for club fees as well. Our payment plan options will be released this summer, but they typically allow a four-payment play option for our fees in the Fall and then 2-3 payment options for ODP fees in the spring. Credit cards are required for all payment plans.
Who and how are Coaches Selected for the RTC and ODP Program?
The State ODP coaching staff will be named for the 2008, 2009 and 2010 age groups by early summer and will be
listed on the Portland Timbers website under the Youth/ODP section. The RTC Directors bios can be seen on the
last page of this document. The 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011/12 RTC staff will be named and composed of coaches
in each region who will coach the RTC Pools over a 8-month stretch (4-months for 2008 pools) and will be
selected by the Thorns Youth Technical Staff with help from the RTC Directors in each region. Each Regional
Training Center is composted of the following staff: RTC Director, RTC Assistant Director (if needed), 2008 Head
Coach, 2009 Head Coach, 2010 Head Coach, 2011/12 Head Coach and a Goalkeeping Coach. There are special
situations where we may add another assistant coach or will drop a coach if numbers are too small. All coaches
must have the proper licensing or playing experience to be a part of the Thorns programs and are hand-picked by
the Thorns youth department.

All ODP staff is composed of some of the top coaches in the state of Oregon. These coaches have the top licenses,
have played at the highest levels or coach in collegiate programs. We do our best to make sure we have college
coaches on each staff for each age group. All RTC and ODP groups will have a designated goalkeeping staff as
well. Goalkeeping is a giant part of RTC and ODP and is often the one piece neglected with clubs and teams. We
will provide tremendous training for our goalkeepers.

What do I need to expect at RTC Tryouts in August?
Each Regional Training Center will hold tryouts in late-August. Some
regions have held tryouts in late August before. We typically designate
three tryout dates for each Regional Training Center and some will hold
four. These tryout dates typically take place on weeknights as we know
the summer months/weekends are very busy. Some regions will choose
to do these on the weekends. Players are encouraged to attend all tryout
dates, but we offer multiple opportunities and stagger these over a
couple weeks for a reason, knowing not everybody will be able to attend
every session. Even if you attend one tryout, you will be evaluated
enough to have a shot at making the RTC Pool so don’t be discouraged
if you see a lot of conflicts when the schedule comes out. Players who
attend all three sessions obviously have more face-time with the staff which is always beneficial. Tryout dates are
typically announced in June/July. Tryout registration will all take place through the Timbers online system
with a link you can click on at www.timbers.com under the Youth/RTC section of the website. These are tryouts so
players will be cut.

In the past, we have allowed players to attend multiple tryout locations. This was done for various reasons but
we will not allow this moving forward. The issue we ran into in years past was players who attended two tryout
locations, made both pools, and then dropped their spot with one of the RTC Pools leaving us with a hole. Players
can tryout in one location this year and again, we encourage you to tryout with the RTC closest to you so you can
avoid the unnecessary travel. To help with this, we have included a boundary section for all parts of the state on
the next page that explains which RTC location you should tryout with. It’s not required you tryout in your
designated location, players can tryout anywhere they choose, but again, the program is in place to eliminate
unnecessary travel. The tryout fee is $60 for all players, regardless if you attend one tryout day or three.
Regional Boundaries for Tryouts (If you live in this area, this is where we recommend you tryout)

Below are the listed boundaries for players and regions. Again, players are more than welcome to tryout in a different region if they choose too, but the point of regional training is to cut down on travel.

- **Portland West**: Beaverton, Astoria, Forest Grove, Hillsboro, Sherwood
- **Portland East**: SE Portland, Gresham, Troutdale, Clackamas
- **Portland North/Vancouver**: Vancouver, Camas, Salmon Creek, North Portland, Washougal
- **Portland South**: West Linn, Lake Oswego, Tigard, Tualatin, Oregon City, Wilsonville
- **Salem**: Salem, Keizer, Woodburn, Newberg, McMinnville, Silverton
- **Eugene/Corvallis Pool**: Albany, Corvallis, Central Coast, Eugene, Roseburg (if you choose)
- **Bend Pool**: Bend, Redmond, Sisters, Madras, La Pine
- **Southern Oregon Pool**: Grants Pass, Medford, Ashland, Klamath Falls, Southern Coast
- **Gorge**: The Dalles, Hood River, Hermiston, La Grande, Pendleton

*If you are unsure on where to tryout, please contact us and we can assist you with this.

Playing Up in RTC or ODP

When trying out, we require all players to tryout with their designated age group. The staff then has the authority to move players up if we feel they would be challenged more at an older age group. Parents do not make this decision, our staff makes this decision. Just so everyone knows, we move players up every year so this absolutely happens and our staff can spot this early. The 2012 group is the only place we allow younger players to play up this year as we anticipate some 2012 players will want to tryout.

Training Schedule For RTC and ODP

The RTC Directors will have final say on their training schedules. We will recommend Friday or Sunday training with all groups. Some weekday training may occur if we run into field issues or soccer schedules, but we will look to train on Friday or Sunday evening. The benefit of having a Regionalized Program is travel is cut down considerably to the point where weekday sessions, at times, may be necessary. We will also recommend that coaches’ train in multiple locations within your region if necessary. Included on the next page is what the RTC and ODP schedule will look like for 2020/21. The schedule is always subject to minor changes as we are given new opportunities during the season to attend different events. Below is a typical training location for each RTC location. This is subject to change.

- **Portland East**: Eastside Timbers Complex
- **Portland West**: Tualatin Hills Recreation Center, Timbers Training Facility
- **Portland North/Vancouver**: Delta Park, Harmony Sports Complex, Luke Jensen
- **Portland South**: Tigard High School, Tualatin High School, Horizon Christian
- **Salem**: Capital Timbers Complex, Corban University or Willamette University
- **Eugene/Corvallis**: Willamalane Complex, Oregon State University, South Albany HS, Crystal Lake
- **Bend**: Bend Timbers Complex, Pine Nursery, Summit High School
- **Medford**: US Cellular Complex
- **Portland 2008 Pool**: Providence Park, Delta Park, Buckman
- **Gorge**: Hood River High School
### Thorns 2020-21 ODP/RTC Schedule

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Schedule is always subject to change as new events are presented to us.

*The tryouts in late November and early December are state pool tryouts for the 08’s who have been involved in RTC. The 09 tryouts are for the Regional Championship roster only. Those players go back to RTC training after the Phoenix event.

**The Cal-South event is a new event and we would only attend if timing worked with our players and coaches and their club schedules.

#The RTC Tournament is a tryout for the 09 and 10 ODP pools. ODP coaches for those age groups would be required to be in attendance.

##ODP Regional Camp is by invite only for players, not coaches. Coaches do not attend camp.

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**How do I register for tryouts?**
The registration process for tryouts is simple – go to registration.timbers.com and find the RTC Tryout section. All tryout registration can be done online. We hope to see you in August and don’t hesitate to ask if you have any questions.
Thorns 2020-21 RTC Directors

**Portland West Director: Shane Bangs**
-USSF C licensed coach
-Staff Coach at WUFC
-Thorns Academy assistant coach
-Thorns RTC Director for more than 4 years

**Portland East Director: Wayne Hodges**
-USSF C licensed Coach
-Former staff coach at Charlton Athletic club in Spain
-Former semi-professional player in London
-Thorns ODP and RTC staff coach for more than 3 years

**Portland South Director: Nikia Evans**
-USSF D licensed coach
-Staff coach at Southside Soccer Club
-ODP Thorns staff coach, former PSU college player
-Former professional player at FSV Hessen Wetzlar in Germany

**Bend RTC Director: Emily Williams**
-USSF C licensed coach
-Staff coach and administrator at Bend Timbers FC
-RTC Director for more than 5 years
-4-year starter at Hanover College

**Salem RTC Director: Maryn Beutler**
-Assistant coach at Western Oregon University
-Former Oregon ODP regional pool player
-Former assistant coach at University of Oregon
-Played four years at University of Oregon

**Eugene/Corvallis RTC Director: Simon Date**
-USSF A licensed coach
-Four-year starter at Oregon State University
-Thorns ODP head coach for more than 5 years
-Corvallis soccer club technical director

**Gorge RTC Director: Don Marble**
-USSF D licensed coach
-Gorge youth soccer staff coach
-Hood River Dynamos staff coach
-RTC staff coach for more than 4 years

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Thorns 2020-21 RTC Directors

Portland North/Vancouver Director: Michael Reggiani
- USSF B licensed coach
- Thorns ODP staff coach for more than 6 years
- RTC Director for more than 5 years
- Club coach at Washington Timbers Futbol Club

2008 Portland North Director: Sarah Plymale Panza
- USSF D licensed coach
- Thorns ODP staff coach
- Former club coach in Michigan
- Worked for Rapinoe SC

Southern Oregon RTC Director: TBA