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Welcome to the Major Arena Soccer League 2 2025-26 season, our ninth season of action from Baltimore to California, and Minnesota to Mexico City.

The 2025-26 season features longstanding teams, new faces in new places, and the pride of being part of the premier pyramid of professional indoor soccer in North America, with four leagues with 69 teams in total playing under the Major Arena Soccer League brand.

The competition figures to be fierce in all three divisions in 2025-26. Starting in the east with the return of stellar clubs including Utica's United Elite

Krajisnik (official affiliate of the MASL's Utica City FC), Danbury's Spice City FC and the Salisbury Steaks. New is FC Baltimore 1729 who will serve as the official affiliate of the MASL Baltimore Blast and of course the Harrisburg Heat, who drop to MASL 2 for one season and will play in a familiar spot, Hersheypark Arena in Hershey.

Two new faces are both old friends coming back into the MASL family in the Iowa Raptors in Cedar Rapids and the Omaha Kings. The pair have previously played in MASL 2, and will join the always tough Iowa Demon Hawks, Minnesota Blizzard and iconic Wichita Wings in the Midwest Division.



Out west, several teams will make their MASL debut including a team in the largest city in North America, Mexico City. They will be joined by Soles de Sonora who is loading up on MASL talent, and a new team in Guadalajara which will make for plenty on intense “national pride” matchups. The OKC Certified Lions move into their brand new 4,500 seat arena in downtown Oklahoma City this year – with teams in both MASL 2 and MASL 3 – and the Turlock Cal Express return as well. Longtime MASL face in the Dallas area, Ed Puskarich, a former coach for the MASL Sidekicks, brings the Texas Spurs to MASL 2 this year and Northern California gets in on the fun in 2025-26 too with the debut of the Soccer Central Black Hawks in the Monterrey region.

Each MASL 2 team plays a 12-game regular season schedule, with a national playoffs to conclude the year.



United Elite Krajisnik at Harrisburg Heat

Friday, April 3

Kickoff at 7:30 p.m EDT

Hersheypark Arena, Hershey, Pennsylvania



>> PREVIOUS MEETINGS: These two teams played twice in Utica in mid February, with the Heat prevailing 10-6 on February 15 and 13-2 on February 16. Maybe it just took a little time for the Heat to really warm to the occasion. Or Maybe goalkeeper/coach Hugo Silva had a fiery half time speech ready to rally the troops. Whatever it was, the Heat scored just once in the first half, and nine times in the second to pull away from previously undefeated United Elite Krajisnik on Sunday, 10-6. for a successful MASL 2 debut. Harrisburg held a

huge edge in shots, 35-15. When Siidahmed Somow scored for United Elite – the official MASL 2 affiliate of Utica City FC of the MASL – with 2:47 to play in the first half, the hosts were up 4-1. They still led 5-2 midway through the third before the Heat exploded. Malcolm Harris got the game winner less than five minutes into the fourth quarter. MASL veteran Thiago Freitas led the way with two goals and two assists for the Heat, while Seth Crabbe scored twice. Oscar Barrientos chipped in with a goal and one assist. Silva picked up the win in goal. United Elite was without its leading scorer, Franceso Pagano, who was signed by Utica City over the weekend. Miller Howard led the hosts with two goals. Krajisnik did add MASL veteran Nelson Santana to the roster, and he responded with one assist in the contest. In a President's Day matchup at the Adirondack Bank Center, Harrisburg got off to a much better start, scoring the game's first two goals, but still did most of their damage after intermission, netting 10 of their 13 goals in the third and fourth quarters for its 2-0 start. Again, the Heat held a decided advantage in shots on goal at 31-11. Frietas had two goals and three assists to lead the way. Crabbe had a hat trick while Roshawn Panton had a goal and two helpers. Gustavo Gomes had a goal and one assist. Silva was again the winner in goal. Elizandro Cardoso and Edmar Viera each had a goal and an assist for United Elite.

>> GAME NOTES: Harrisburg can clinch its playoff spot April 20-22 for the league playoffs with wins this weekend. They are 8-0 and atop the East with a goal differential of +75 with 97 goals scored and just 22 allowed. United Elite is hot on their tails, trailing by just three points, but having played one more game than the Heat. They are 7-2 with a plus 20 goal differential with 76 goals scored and 56 goals allowed.

>> PLAYERS TO WATCH: Both teams are loaded with current and past MASL standouts, and will be serious threats for the MASL 2 championship. **Francesco Pagano** has played for both Utica City in the MASL and United Elite in MASL 2. For UCFC, he has appeared in 11 games with four goals and three assists. For United Elite, he has dressed four times with 18 goals and six assists. **Elizandro Cardoso** has been one of the elite defenders in the league, and a big offensive threat with eight goals and a team high 11 assists. **Hugo Silva** is a MASL veteran netminder who is player/coach for the heat. **Thiago Freitas**, another MASL vet, has been an ageless wonder with 40 points already this year, far and away the best in the league to date.

>> UP NEXT: United Elite Krajisnik at Spice City FC on Saturday, April 11 at 7 p.m. EDT at Danbury Arena, Danbury, Connecticut / Harrisburg Heat vs. Spice City FC on Saturday, April 4 at 7 p.m. EDT at Hersheypark Arena, Hershey, Pennsylvania.

Salisbury Steaks at FC Baltimore 1729



Saturday, April 4

Kickoff at 3 p.m. EDT

Northeast Regional Recreation Center, Parkville, Maryland

>> PREVIOUS MEETINGS: These two tangled on February 1 with the Steaks pulling out an 8-7 win. This game was tied on less than five times, but Salisbury got the game winner from Timothy Dugan, his second of the game, with just 3:29 to play to give the Steaks the victory. Tough luck Baltimore, showing well for a first-year side, has dropped its first two games by one goal each. Dugan also had two assists. Tony Araviakis had a big night with three goals and one assist for Salisbury. Nial Croke, who played for Kings College, had a big night for Baltimore with three goals and two assists. Isiah Dorsey chipped in with a goal and two assists. David Amador and Bryant Seivers each had a goal and an assist for Baltimore as well. Baltimore led 3-2 at the break, and it was 5-4 Salisbury heading into the final 15 minutes.

>> GAME NOTES: Baltimore comes in with a record of 0-7 with 28 goals scored and 63 given up for a differential of minus 45. Salisbury is 2-8 with 29 goals scored and 109 given up for a minus 80 differential.

>> PLAYERS TO WATCH: Salisbury is led by **Josh Danza** who does double duty as a player and owner for both the MASL 3 Baltimore Kings and MASL 2 Salisbury Steaks. He is one of the better playmakers in either league, regularly among the leaders in assists each season. **Ken Truong** and **Tony Araviakis** both also play for both, and can be a dangerous threats in the offensive end. For Baltimore, they continue their efforts to develop their young talent in anticipation of an improved year two. Two of the best are **Niall Croke** who has three goals and three assists in five games and **Isiah Dorsey** who has five goals and two assists in six starts.

>> UP NEXT: Salisbury Steaks at Harrisburg Heat on Saturday, April 11 at 7 p.m. EDT at Hersheypark Arena, Hershey, Pennsylvania / FC Baltimore 1729 at Harrisburg Heat on Friday, April 10 at 7 p.m. EDT at Hersheypark Arena, Hershey, Pennsylvania.

Spice City FC at Harrisburg Heat



Saturday, April 4

Kickoff at 7 p.m. EDT

Hersheypark Arena, Hershey, Pennsylvania

>> PREVIOUS MEETINGS: These two teams played back to back games in early March in Danbury, with the Heat taking wins of 8-4 and 12-3. On Saturday, Harrisburg jumped to a 5-2 lead at the break, and rolled to win number four on the season with a 12-goal outburst. Rowshawn Panto led the way for the Heat with three goals and one assist. Andrew Wivell, who started the season with the MASL 3 Maryland Storm and has been signed now by the Heat, added a goal and two assists. Danny Osuji had two goals as did teammate R,H, Fuentes. Hugo Silva got the win in goal. Will Arboleda scored two for Spice. On Sunday, the Heat used the man advantage to their, um, advantage with three power play goals including the game winner from Oscar Barrientos, who finished the game with four goals. MASL and MASL 2 standout Bruno Henrique chipped in with a pair. Manny DeAndre scored twice for Spice with Silva again getting the win in goal.

>> GAME NOTES: For Harrisburg players to watch and game notes, see above. For Spice City, they come in with a mark of 3-3 with 55 goals scored and 35 given up for a plus 20 differential.

>> PLAYERS TO WATCH: Adhemar Costa is Spice City's top offensive threat, with 10 goals in six games. Alencar Junior is second on the team in goals with nine.

>> UP NEXT: Spice City vs. United Elite Krajisnik on Saturday, April 11 at 7 p.m. EDT at Danbury Arena, Danbury, Connecticut / Harrisburg Heat vs. FC Baltimore 1729 at 7 p.m. EDT at Hersheypark Arena, Hershey, Pennsylvania.

>> For all the latest information on your favorite team – including streaming options for their home and away games – visit those team social sites for the most up to date information.<<



Friday, April 10	FC Baltimore 1729 at Harrisburg Heat, 7 p.m. EDT
Saturday, April 11	United Elite Krajisnik at Spice City FC, 7 p.m. EDT
Saturday, April 11	Salisbury Steaks at Harrisburg Heat, 7 p.m. EDT
Saturday, April 11	Iowa Raptors at Minnesota Blizzard, 7 p.m. CDT
Sunday, April 12	United Elite Krajisnik at Spice City FC, 3 p.m. EDT
Sunday, April 12	Iowa Demon Hawks at Minnesota Blizzard, 5 p.m.

>> End regular season <<



>> EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	RW	GF	GA	DIF
Harrisburg Heat	8	8	0	0	24	8	97	22	+75
United Elite Krajisnik	9	7	2	0	21	7	76	56	+20
Spice City FC	6	3	3	0	9	3	55	35	+20
Salisbury Steaks	10	2	8	0	6	2	29	109	-80
FC Baltimore 1729	7	0	7	0	0	0	28	63	-35

»» MIDWEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	RW	GF	GA	DIF
Iowa Demon Hawks	11	11	0	0	33	11	95	29	+66
Omaha Kings	12	5	6	1	14	5	66	70	-4
Iowa Raptors	11	6	5	0	15	3	70	76	-6
Wichita Wings	12	4	6	2	14	4	69	88	-19
Minnesota Blizzard	10	2	8	0	6	2	51	88	-37

»» SOUTH DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	RW	GF	GA	DIF
Mexico City	11	11	0	0	33	11	102	38	+64
OKC Certified Lions	9	8	1	0	23	7	76	41	+35
Soles de Sonora	11	6	4	1	18	5	79	74	+5
Guadalajara Mariachis	11	4	5	2	14	4	74	73	+1
Turlock Cal Express	12	4	7	1	12	3	77	86	-9
Soccer Central Blackhawks	12	3	8	1	10	3	63	102	-39
Texas Spurs	12	3	9	0	8	2	52	108	-57

2025-26 GOAL LEADERS

Player	Team	GP	GL
Jeanderson Pereira	Iowa Demon Hawks	10	24
Jose Penalver	OKC Certified Lions	9	21
Ronaldo Rojas	Iowa Raptors	11	19
Francesco Pagano	United Elite Krajisnik	4	18
Thiago Freitas	Harrisburg Heat	8	15
Devan DiGrado	Minnesota Blizzard	10	13
Luis Brambila	Turlock Cal Express	11	12
Eden Sandoval	Turlock Cal Express	11	12
Jonah Dancer	Iowa Raptors	10	12
Wyatt Fowler	Texas Spurs	12	12

2025-26 ASSIST LEADERS

Player	Team	GP	AS
Thiago Frieas	Harrisburg Heat	8	25
Alvaro Luevano	OKC Certified Lions	9	15
Elizandro Cardoso	United Elite Krajisnik	9	11
David Lucio	Wichita Wings	11	10
Guillherme Lopes	Iowa Demon Hawks	9	9

Jeanderson Pereira	Iowa Demon Hawks	10	9
Spencer Oveturf	Minnesota Blizzard	8	9

2025-26 POINTS LEADERS

<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>PTS</u>
Thiago Freitas	Harrisburg Heat	8	40
Jeanderson Pereira	Iowa Demon Hawks	10	33
Ronaldo Rojas	Iowa Raptors	11	26
Jose Penalver	OKC Certified Lions	9	26
Francesco Pagano	United Elite Krajisnik	4	24
Devan DiGrado	Minnesota Blizzard	10	21
Luis Brambila	Turlock Cal Express	9	20
Guillherme Lopes	Iowa Demon Hawks	9	20
Jonah Dancer	Iowa Raptors	10	20
Alvaro Luevano	OKC Certified Lions	9	20

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2024-25 GOAL LEADERS

<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>GL</u>
Jeanderson Pereira	Iowa Demon Hawks	12	41
Luan Silva	Iowa Demon Hawks	11	35
Gabriel Martinez Camarillo	Iowa Demon Hawks	12	34
Mershad Ahmadi	United Elite Krajisnik	9	26
Devan Digrado	Minnesota Blizzard	11	24
Caio Ferreira	Iowa Demon Hawks	12	23
Caique Trivelato	Wichita Wings	9	22
Ruben Torres	OKC Certified Lions	9	22
Cam Will	Muskegon Risers	10	22

2024-25 ASSIST LEADERS

<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>AS</u>
Luan Silva	Iowa Demon Hawks	12	33
Ricky Orozco	United Elite Krajisnik	10	29
Jeanderson Pereira	Iowa Demon Hawks	12	23
Alvaro Luevano	Chihuahua Savage	12	21
Caio Ferreira	Iowa Demon Hawks	12	21

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2024-25 TOTAL POINTS LEADERS

<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>TP</u>
Luan Silva	Iowa Demon Hawks	12	68
Jeanderson Pereira	Iowa Demon Hawks	12	64
Gabriel Martinez Camarillo	Iowa Demon Hawks	12	46
Caio Ferreira	Iowa Demon Hawks	12	44
Devan Digrado	Minnesota Blizzard	11	39
Ricky Orozco	Utica United Elite	10	37
Ruben Torres	OKC Certified Lions	9	35
Alvaro Loevano	Chihuahua Savage	9	34

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