



MADISON HEIGHTS YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

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WELCOME TO MHYSA!! WE HOPE YOU HAVE MANY HAPPY HOURS COACHING YOUR TEAM AND IN OUR ORGANIZATION. MANY WHO HAVE TAKEN THIS FULFILLING TASK HAVE FOUND IT TO BE A REWARDING EXPERIENCE.

WE WILL HELP YOU, TEACH YOU AND MOLD YOU INTO THE BEST SOCCER COACH POSSIBLE. WE HAVE A DESIGNATED COACHING COMMITTEE THAT FOCUSES ON OUR COACHING PROGRAM AND EVERY PLAYERS SOCCER, FUNDAMENTAL DEVELOPMENT. WE BELIEVE AT MHYSA THAT EVERY CHILD, COACH AND PARENT SHOULD RECEIVE THE BEST THAT WE HAVE TO OFFER. PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO REVIEW THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS HANDBOOK.

IF YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS, COMMENTS OR WOULD LIKE TO GET INVOLVED MORE, LET US KNOW. NEVER FORGET THAT OUR MAIN GOAL IS FOR EVERYONE TO HAVE 100 PERCENT FUN.

YOURS IN SOCCER,

MHYSA

NOTE: MHYSA HOLDS THEIR MEETINGS THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH FROM 7-9 PM IN THE MADISON HEIGHTS LIBRARY (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED). WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO ATTEND AS MANY MEETINGS AS YOU CAN AND TO HELP AS MUCH AS YOU CAN. REMEMBER THE MORE YOU KNOW THE MORE YOU GROW. SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR PARENTS AND CHILDREN.

COACHES CODE OF ETHICS

1 WILL PLACE THE EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL WELL BEING OF MY PLAYERS AHEAD OF MY DESIRE TO WIN.

I UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF **SAFETY FIRST!!!!**

I WILL TREAT EACH PLAYER AS AN INDIVIDUAL, REMEMBERING THE EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT FOR ALL.

I WILL DO MY BEST TO PROVIDE A SAFE PLAYING ENVIRONMENT FOR MY TEAM.

I WILL PROMISE TO DO MY BEST TO ORGANIZE PRACTICES THAT ARE FUN AND CHALLENGING FOR ALL PLAYERS.

I WILL PROMISE TO REVIEW AND PRACTICE BASIC FIRST AID NEEDED TO HELP MY PLAYERS.

I WILL LEAD BY EXAMPLE IN DEMONSTRATING FAIR PLAY AND SPORTSMANSHIP FOR ALL INVOLVED.

I WILL PROVIDE AN ENVIRONMENT THAT IS FREE OF DRUGS, TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL. I WILL REFRAIN FROM USING THEM AT ALL MHYSA SOCCER EVENTS. (NOTE: SMOKING IS NOT PERMITTED AT GAMES AND IS ENFORCEABLE BY THE REFEREE.)

I WILL BE KNOWLEDGABLE IN THE RULES OF THE GAME AND I WILL TEACH THESE RULES TO MY TEAM. (WRITTEN AND UN-WRITTEN)

I WILL REMEMBER THAT I AM A COACH FOR MHYSA SOCCER AND THE GAME IS FOR THE CHILDREN.



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PLAYERS CODE OF ETHICS

I WILL PLAY THE GAME IN THE SPIRIT OF COMPETITION FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUN.

I UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF **SAFETY FIRST!!!!**

I WILL BE GRACEFUL WHEN I WIN.

I WILL BE GRACEFUL WHEN I LOSE.

I WILL PLAY BY THE RULES AND FAIRLY AT ALL COSTS.

I WILL ACCEPT THE DECISIONS OF THE OFFICIALS AND I WILL CONDUCT MYSELF ACCORDINGLY BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER THE GAME.

I WILL PROVIDE AN ENVIRONMENT THAT IS FREE OF DRUGS, TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL. I WILL REFRAIN FROM USING THEM AT ALL MHYSA SOCCER EVENTS. (NOTE: SMOKING IS NOT PERMITTED AT GAMES AND IS ENFORCEABLE BY THE REFEREE.)

I WILL BELIEVE IN THE HONESTY AND INTEGRITY OF MY OPPONENTS.

I WILL CONDUCT MYSELF WITH HONOR AND DIGNITY ON AND OFF THE PLAYING FIELD.



PARENTS CODE OF ETHICS

I WILL PROVIDE POSITIVE SUPPORT, CARE AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO MY CHILD, THEIR TEAM AND THE OPPONENT.

I UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF **SAFETY FIRST!!!!**

I WILL ENCOURAGE GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP TO ALL PLAYERS, COACHES AND REFEREES.

I WILL PLACE THE EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL WELL BEING OF MY CHILD AHEAD OF WINNING. (BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER GAMES AND PRACTICES.)

I WILL INSIST THAT MY CHILD PLAY IN A SAFE AND HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT.

I WILL REQUIRE THAT THE COACH BE TRAINED, KNOWLEDGABLE AND INFORMED IN THE GAME OF SOCCER.

I WILL REQUIRE THAT THE COACH UPHOLD THE COACHES AND PLAYERS CODE OF ETHICS.

I WILL PROVIDE AN ENVIRONMENT THAT IS FREE OF DRUGS, TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL. I WILL REFRAIN FROM USING THEM AT ALL MHYSA SOCCER EVENTS. (NOTE: SMOKING IS NOT PERMITTED AT GAMES AND IS ENFORCEABLE BY THE REFEREE.)

I WILL REMEMBER THAT THE GAME IS FOR THE CHILDREN AND NOT MYSELF.

I WILL DO MY BEST TO UNDERSTAND THE GAME AND MAKE IT FUN FOR MY CHILD.

I WILL ACCEPT THE DECISIONS OF THE OFFICIALS AND I WILL CONDUCT MYSELF ACCORDINGLY BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER THE GAME

I WILL HELP MY CHILD ENJOY THE MHYSA SOCCER EXPERIENCE BY RESPECTING THE GAME, THE ORGANIZATION AND ALL PERSONS INVOLVED

I WILL HELP WITH MY CHILD'S TEAM AS BEST THAT I CAN.



REQUIRED READING

PLEASE FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH:

1. MHYSA BY LAWS (SEE HOST PAGE OF WEB SITE)
2. MHYSA OPERATING RULES (SEE HOST PAGE OF WEB SIT)
3. RULES OF THE GAME FOR MHYSA AGE DIVIIONS (SEE TABLE OF CONTENTS FOR PAGE)

SUGGESTED READING

1. FIFA LAWS OF THE GAME (WEB SITE LINK HERE)
2. ANY REFERENCE MATERIAL PUBLISHED BY US YOUTH SOCCER
3. SOCCER FUNDAMENTALS BY JOHN LEARMOUTH
4. SOCCER FOR PLAYERS AND COACHES BY ANDREW CLUES

*MHYSA COACHING DIRECTOR AS SEVERAL ADDITIONAL REFERNCE MATERIALS. SEE BOARD OF DIRECTORS PHONE LIST FOR THEIR NUMBER

INTERNET ASSISTANCE

1. MHYS-- WWW.MHYSA.NET
2. US YOUTH SOCCER-- WWW.USYSA.ORG
3. MICHIGAN STATE YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION-- WWW.MSYSA.NET (AT THIS WEB SITE IS A COACHING CLINIC CALLENDER)

INJURIES AND SAFETY

- **THE KIDS SAFETY IS OUR FIRST PRIORITY!!!**
- A FIRST AID KIT IS DISTRIBUTED AT THE BEGINNING OF EVERY SEASON. IF A CHILD IS INJURED AND THEIR PARENT IS NOT PRESENT ADMINISTER THE FIRST AID. IF THE PARENT IS THERE, THEN YOU CAN ASSIST THE PARENT.
- IF A PLAYER IS SERIOUSLY INJURED SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION ASAP.
- NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE SERIOUSNESS OF AN INJURY.
REMEMBER SAFETY FIRST!!!!
- FOR BANGS, BRUISE, CUTS, SPRAINS, ETC., DO NOTHING MORE THAN SIMPLE FIRST AID. IF A PLAYER IS VISUABLY HAVING TROUBLE PLAYING, REMOVE THEM FROM THE FIELD AND NOTIFY THE PARENTS.
- HEAD INJURIES THAT RESULT IN CONSTANT HEADACHES; SHOULD BE TREATED BY A TRAINED AND CERTIFIED MEDICAL PERSON.

- IF IN A GAME/ PRACTICE SOMEONE SHOULD GET HURT; PLAY WILL STOP IMMEDIATELY.
- INCLUDED IN THIS HANDBOOK IS AN INJURY REPORT FORM.

RISK MANAGEMENT

ALL COACH'S INCLUDING ASSISTANT COACH'S WILL HAVE A RISK MANAGEMENT IDENTIFICATION CARD. YOU CAN GO ONLINE AT WWW.MSYSA.NET AND FILL OUT THE FORM. IT WILL TAKE APPROXIMANTLY FOUR WEEKS AND WILL BE MAILED TO THE LEAGUES COMMISIONER. IT WILL THEN BE GIVEN TO YOU VIA YOUR DIVISION MANAGER. RISK MANAGEMENT IS BASICALLY A BACK GROUND CHECK FOR THE LEAGUES SAFETY AS WELL AS THE CHILDS.

EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING

- ALL PLAYERS SHOULD WEAR SHINGUARDS AND HAVE PROPER CLEATS.(SOCCER CLEATS DO NOT HAVE A FRONT CLEAT AT THE TIP OF THE SHOE) REMIND AND ENFORCE EACH PLAYER TO WEAR SHIN GUARDS, CLEATS AND BRING A BALL. REMIND PLAYERS THAT THEY PRACTICE LIKE THE PLAY AND THEY PLAY LIKE THEY PRACTICE.
- HAVE CONES (THEY SHOULD BE SUPPLIED FROM LEAGUE WITH A BALL AND FIRST AID KIT)
- ALWAYS HAVE EXTRA LIQUIDS. WITH LOTS OF RUNNING COMES DEHIDRATION.
- JEWELERY SHOULD NEVER BE WORN WHEN PLAYING.
- LONG SLEEVES AND PANTS SHOULD BE WORN IN COLD WEATHER. JERSEY MUST BE ON THE OUTSIDE OF YOUR CLOTHS.
- OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT—PENNIES(VESTS), A WHISTLE, AN EQUIPMENT BAG AND EXTRA BALLS. THESE ITEMS CAN HELP YOU WITH THE ORGANIZATION OF YOUR TEAM.

NOTE: MOST EQUIPMENT AND NEEDED COACHING ITEMS CAN BE PURCHASED AT ANY SPORTING GOODS STORE

OUR FIELDS

PRIOR TO THE GAME HAVE YOUR PARENTS WALK THE FIELD AND PICK UP ANY DEBRIS. WHEN YOUR ARE THE FIRST GAME, YOUR TEAM IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SETTING UP GOALS AND FLAGS. IF YOU ARE THE LAST GAME THEN YOU MUST LOCK UP THE GOALS AND FLAGS. IF NO OTHER TEAM IS AROUND AT THE END OF YOUR GAME, THEN YOU ARE

CONSIDERED THE LAST GAME. ALL COACHES SHOULD HAVE A KEY. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ONE OR HAVE MIS PLACED YOUR KEY, LET YOUR DIVISION MANAGER KNOW. ALWAYS CLEAN UP AS YOU LEAVE AND REPORT ANY DANGEROUS FIELD CONDITIONS (GOALS INCLUDED) TO THE DIVISION MANAGER

YOUR TEAM

AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH SEASON MHYSA WILL HAVE A COACH'S MEETING FOR EACH AGE DIVISION. AT THIS MEETING EACH COACH WILL RECEIVE A COACH'S PACKET. EVERY SEASON A NEW PACKET WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU. IN THIS PACKET YOU WILL FIND...

1. A TEAM ROSTER SHEET
2. ALL OF YOUR PLAYERS REGISTRATION FORMS
3. A GAME SCHEDULE (MIGHT NOT BE COMPLETED YET)
4. THE TEAMS PLAYER PASS CARDS (U-10 AND OLDER DIVISIONS ONLY)
5. UP TO 6 GAME SHEETS (U-10 AND OLDER DIVISIONS ONLY)
6. REFEREE FEES (U-10 AND OLDER DIVISIONS ONLY) SEE REFEREE SECTION FOR EXPLANATION.
7. ANY OTHER INFORMATION PERTAINING TO YOUR DIVISION

TEAM ROSTER SHEET

A TEAM ROSTER SHEET IS A LIST OF ALL THE PLAYERS ON YOUR TEAM. IT WILL INCLUDE THEIR NAME, ADDRESS AND HOME PHONE NUMBER. VERIFY YOUR ROSTER AGAINST THE REGISTRATION FORMS. CONTACT YOUR DIVISION MANAGER IF YOU NOTE ANY ERRORS OR INCONSISTANCIES.

REGITRATION FORMS

VERIFY YOUR ROSTER AGAINST THE REGISTRATION FORMS. ANY ERRORS SHOULD BE REPORTED TO YOUR DIVISION MANAGERS. **(CARRY THESE WITH YOU AT ALL TIMES)**. THEY INCLUDE A PLAYERS NAME, ADDRESS, CONTACT INFORMATION AND ANY MEDICAL INFORMATION. TAKE A BRIEF MOMENT TO FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH YOUR TEAM AND DISCUSS ANY MEDICAL CONCERNS WITH THEIR PARENTS.

NOTE: REGISTRATION WILL BE ANNOUNCED DURING THE SEASON. EACH PLAYER HAS THREE TIMES TO REGISTAER (RETURNING PLAYERS, OPEN AND LATE). ALL REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AND AT THE REGISTRATION LOCATIONS. REGISTRATION PROCEDURES ARE ATTACHED AT THE MHYSA HOME PAGE.

GAME SCHEDULES

VERIFY YOUR GAME SCHEDULE. NOT ANY ERRORS AND CONTACT YOUR DIVISION MANAGER ASAP. GAME SCHEDULES WILL BE GIVEN TO AT THE COACHES MEETING OR AT A LATER DATE BY YOUR DIVISION MANAGERS. THEY WILL TELL YOU THE TIME, PLACE AND TEAM YOU ARE PLAYING. IF IN THE EVENT A GAME NEEDS TO BE RESCHEDULED CONTACT YOUR

DIVISION MANAGER FOR INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO RESCHEDULE IT.
THE COMMISSIONER MUST APPROVE ALL GAMES RESCHEDULED.

PLAYER PASS CARDS

(PASS CARDS ARE FOR U-10 AND OLDER DIVISIONS ONLY)

A PLAYER PASS CARD IS JUST LIKE A MEMBERSHIP CARD. PRINTED ON IT IS THE PLAYERS NAME, BIRTH DATE, SEASONAL PLAYING YEAR, AGE DIVISION AND AN I.D. #. YOU MUST ATTACH A PLAYERS PICTURE WITH THEIR PASS CARD. (PICTURES SHOULD BE GOTTEN FROM THE PARENTS AT FIRST PRACTICE) THE COACH SHOULD HOLD ON TO THE PASS CARDS. THESE PASS CARDS SHOULD BE TAKEN TO EVERY GAME INCASE ANOTHER TEAM OR REFEREE WOULD LIKE TO VERIFY ANY OF YOUR PLAYERS AGES. A PLAYER MAY NOT BE ALLOWED TO PLAY IF A PASS CARD CANNOT BE SUPPLIED WHEN REQUESTED.

GAME SHEETS

(GAME SHEETS ARE FOR U-10 AND OLDER DIVISIONS ONLY)

MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A GAME SHEET FOR EACH HOME GAME ON YOUR SCHEDULE (YOUR DIVISION MANAGER CAN GET EXTRAS IF NEEDED). FILL OUT THE GAME SHEET WITH THE REQUIRED INFORMATION PRIOR TO EACH GAME. BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF A GAME HAVE THE OPPOSING COACH FILL OUT THEIR PORTION. FOLLOWING THE GAME HAVE THE REFEREE ENTER THEIR INFORMATION AND BOTH COACHES NEED TO SIGN. MAKE SURE THE GAME SHEET IS COMPLETE AND CORRECT—THIS IS THE FINAL RECORD OF THE MATCH. THE HOME TEAM TURNS IN THE GAME SHEET. YOU MUST TURN IN YOUR GAME SHEET TO THE MHYSA COMMISSIONER WITHIN 48 HOURS AFTER THE MATCH. THE GAME SHEET WILL BE REVIEWED AND ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION COLLECTED WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE LEAGUE MANAGER. FAILURE TO TURN IN YOUR GAME SHEET IN A TIMELY MANNER COULD RESULT IN YOUR GAME NOT BEING ACCOUNTED FOR.

NOTE: REFEREES FEES ARE DISTRIBUTED BASED ON RECEIVING YOUR GAME SHEETS.

NOTIFY YOUR TEAM

CALL YOUR PLAYERS WITHIN ONE WEEK OF RECEIVING YOUR PACKETS. INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO THE PARENTS AND NOTIFY THEM WHEN YOUR FIRST PRACTICE IS AND WHERE. TELL THE PARENTS THAT THERE WILL BE A SHORT PARENTS MEETING BEFORE OR AFTER YOUR FIRST PRACTICE.

THE MEETING SHOULD INCLUDE:

- A REVIEW OF YOUR GOALS FOR THE TEAM
- THE MHYSA PHILOSOPHY
- THE COACHS CODE OF ETHICS
- THE PARENTS CODE OF ETHICS

- PRACTICE AND GAME SCHEDULE
- PASS CARD PICTURES (U-10 AND UP ONLY)
- ANY OTHER PERTINANT INFORMATION FOR YOUR TEAM.

THIS CAN ALSO BE THE PERFECT TIME TO RECRUIT PARENTS HELP.GET TO KNOW YOUR PARENTS. THEY ARE THE BIGGEST KEY TO YOUR TEAMS SUCCESS. NOT JUST IN THE GAME OF SOCCER BUT THE GAME OF LIFE.

PRACTICES

RESERVE PRACTICE LOCATIONS AND TIMES AT THE COACHS MEETING. THE COMMISSIONER OR FIELD DIRECTOR WILL DISTRIBUTE PERMITS TO YOU FOR PRACTICES. GAME FIELDS ARE NOT TO BE USED UNLESS THE LEAGUE GRANTS PERMISSION. MHYSA HAS LIMITED FUNDS FOR FIELDS AND THE CITY ONLY PROVIDES GRASS CUTTING AND LINING SERVICES. LETS ALL DO ARE PART TO KEEP OUR GAME AND PRACTICE AREAS CLEAN.

LET YOUR TEAM KNOW WHEN AND WHERE YOUR PRACTICES ARE. BELOW ARE SOME HELPFUL HINTS IN BEING A SUCCESSFUL COACH....

- FIRST AID KIT ALWAYS (DISTRIBUTED AT THE BEGINNING OF EVERY SEASON). IF A CHILD IS INJURED AND THEIR PARENT IS NOT PRESENT ADMINISTER THE FIRST AID. IF THE PARENT IS THERE YOU CAN HELP THEM. IF A MORE SERIOUS INJURY HAS OCCURRED CALL FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL ATTENTION. **KIDS SAFETY IS OUR FIRST PRIORITY.**
- HAVE YOUR TEAMS REGISTRATION FORMS IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY
- BE ORGANIZED. COME PREPARED WITH A PLAN AND MAKE AN ATTEMPT TO STICK TO IT. YOU CAN BE FLEXABLE, BUT DON'T TRY TO OVERWELM YOUR KIDS. YOU TEND TO LOSE THEIR ATTENTION AND IT BECOMES DIFFICULT TO RUN YOUR PRACTICE.
- MAKE IT FUN!!! FUN IS THE MOST IMPORTANT ASSEPECT OF OUR ORGANIZATION
- KEEP DRILLS TO A MINIMUM. INVOLVE AS MANY OR ALL PLAYERS IF POSSIBLE. YOU CAN EVEN GET PAERNTS INVOLVED BY ASKING THEM TO HELP WITH DRILLS.
- PLAY A GAME AT THE END OF EACH PRACTICE. TRY TO IMPLEMENT THE DRILLS INTO THEIR GAME. FOR EXAMPLE... IF YOU PRACTICED PASSING, THEN TELL THEM THEY MUST HAVE 5 PASS BEFORE THEY CAN SCORE.
- TELL EACH PLAYER TO WEAR THEIR SHIN GUARDS AND CLEATS TO PRACTICE. THIS CAN HOPEFULLY PREVENT ANY INJURIES.
- ENCOURAGE EACH PLAYER TO BRING A BALL TO PRACTICE. THEY CAN BRING THEM TO THEIR GAME, BUT MAY GET LOST OR FORGOTTEN. YOU WILL BE GIVEN A TEAM GAME BALL AND POSSIBLY PRACTICES BALLS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SEASON.
- NEVER DWELL ON THE NEGATIVE. A GOOD TECHNIQUE FOR ALL AGES IS TO SQUASH ANY NEGATIVE TALK, PLAY OR TECHINGS. FOR EXAMPLE... JIMMY YOU ARE A GREAT DRIBBLE, BUT DID YOU KNOW THAT BY PASSING WITH YOUR TEAM IT WILL MAKE YOU AN AMAZING DRIBBLER.

- DRESS LIKE A COACH. INSTEAD OF BLUE JEANS WEAR WARMS UPS. THE COACH SHOULD LEAD BY EXAMPLE AND DRESS TO COACH YOUR TEAM.

GAME PREPARATION

THIS IS WHERE YOU SEE YOUR EFFORT PAY OFF! YOU'VE DONE THE PRACTICE AND NOW IT IS TIME TO PLAY THE GAME. REMEMBER THAT GAME TIME IS ABOUT THE PLAYERS AND NOT THE COACH. TRY TO COACH BEFORE THE GAME, AT HALF TIME AND AFTER THE GAME. SUPPORT YOUR PLAYERS IN ALL THE HARD WORK THEY HAVE PUT IN. MISTAKES MADE IN A GAME ARE USUALLY THE BEST TIME FOR A PLAYER TO LEARN. IT IS THE BEST TEACHING TOOL THAT YOU HAVE!!

- REMEMBER TO REMIND YOUR PLAYERS IF THEY BRING THEIR BALL NOT TO FORGET IT. THE HOME COACH WILL PROVIDE A PROPERLY INFLATED GAME BALL
- HAVE YOUR FIRST AID KIT HANDY
- HAVE REGISTRATION FORMS READY
- HAVE YOUR PLAYER PASS CARDS (U-10 AND UP ONLY)
- GAME SHEET SHOULD BE FILLED OUT AND VERIFIED FOR ACCURATE SCORE, FOULS AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION
- REMIND PLAYERS TO CONTACT YOU IF THEY CANNOT ATTEND

GAME CANCELLATIONS

IF THE MHYSA COMMISSIONER DETERMINES THE GAME FIELDS ARE NOT TO BE USED THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL BE FOLLOWED:

1. COACHES ONLY SHOULD CALL THE DIVISION MANAGER FOR ANY NOTICE OR UPDATE. TELL THE PARENTS TO CONTACT YOU FIRST. THIS WILL HELP BETTER OUR COMMUNICATION TO OUR COACHES.
2. COACHES, PLAYERS AND PARENTS CAN OBTAIN GAME INFORMATION VIA OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.MHYSA.NET.
3. IF IN THE EVENT YOU ARE UNABLE TO REACH THE COACH OR THE WEBSITE, CONTACT YOUR DIVISION MANAGER. THE COMMISSIONER AND COACHING DIRECTOR CAN BE CONTACTED AS A LAST RESORT.
4. IF ONLY A PORTION OF GAMES ARE CANCELLED, THEN THE DIVISION MANAGER WILL CONTACT THOSE COACHES AFFECTED.

REFEREES

REFEREES ARE THERE TO MONITOR THE GAME AND MAKE EVERY ATTEMPT TO BE AS FAIR AS POSSIBLE. THEY WILL MAKE MISTAKES...GUARANTEED. MHYSA WILL NOT TOLERATE REPRESENTATIVES OF OUR ORGANIZATION TREATING OFFICIALS IN A POOR MANNER. COACHES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONDUCT OF THEIR PLAYERS, PARENTS AND SPECTATORS. YOU AS A COACH SET THE EXAMPLE FOR YOUR TEAM. A GAME CAN AND WILL GO ON WITHOUT A PLAYER, COACH OR PARENT, BUT WILL END WITHOUT A REFEREE.

- REFEREES ONLY CAN CALL OFF THE GAME IN THE CASE OF BAD WEATHER. UNLESS MHYSA GIVES NOTIFICATION OF CANCELLED GAMES. MAKE SURE THAT YOU AND YOUR PARENTS UNDERSTAND THIS. YOU CAN AVOID FEWER PHONE CALLS WITH THIS STATEMENT. SOCCER CAN BE FUN IN THE RAIN, BUT AS YOU KNOW IF THE FIELD IS NOT IN PLAYABLE CONDITION IT IS AN UNSAFE CONDITION!!!!
- (U-10 AND OLDER DIVISIONS ONLY) REFEREES SHOULD BE PAID PRIOR TO THE GAME. AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SEASON A REFEREE CHECK WILL BE GIVEN TO A COACH. REFEREE FEES ARE ONLY PAID BY THE HOME COACH. THUS THE COACH IS ONLY GIVEN ENOUGH FEES FOR THE HOME GAMES OF THAT SEASON. A REFEREE MAY REFUSE TO OFFICIATE THE GAME IF NOT PAID. IF YOU DON'T WANT ANY 'OUT OF POCKET' EXPENSES THEN TURN IN YOUR GAME SHEETS TO RECEIVE YOUR ALLOTTED FEES. IF YOU HAVE TO PAY YOURSELF, REIMBURSEMENT CAN BE OBTAINED FROM MHYSA. ONLY IF YOU HAVE THE OFFICIAL GAME SHEET YOU SEEK REIMBURSEMENT FOR AND BY THE COACH ONLY.
- IF A REFEREE DOESN'T SHOW UP, THEN BOTH COACHES MUST BE IN AGREEMENT TO WHOM WILL OFFICIATE THE GAME. THAT PERSON THEN WILL BE GIVEN THE SAME RESPECT, IF NOT MORE, AS AN ACTUAL REFEREE. ONLY A CERTIFIED OFFICIAL CAN LEVY RED AND YELLOW CARD.
- REFEREES ARE NOT ALLOWED TO COACH GAMES IN WHICH THEY ARE OFFICIATING (EXCEPT IN U-6 DIVISION, WHERE NO OFFICIALS ARE USED).
- ONLY AN ACTUAL CERTIFIED REFEREE CAN BE PAID FOR REFERING YOUR GAME.
- UNUSED REFEREE FEES MUST BE TURNED INTO MHYSA AT SEASONS END.

SPECIAL NOTES
(FROM THE COACHING COMMITTEE)

THROUGHOUT THE SEASON WE WILL BE WATCHING AND TEACHING TO IMPROVE MHYSA COACHING PROGRAM. ALL COACHES, PLAYERS AND PARENTS WILL LEARN OUR PROGRAM. BE SURE TO USE ALL MHYSA FORMS, LINKS AND COMMUNICATIONS. THEY ARE THE TOOLS YOU NEED FOR LEARNING THE GAME, SAFETY AND FUN. BELOW ARE SOME GUIDELINES THAT WE WILL BE LOOKING FOR.

- U-6: DRIBBLING, KICKING, TEAM WORK, SPORTSMANSHIP, SAFETY, RULES AND FUN.

- U-8: PASSING, POSITIONS AND THE ADVANCEMENT OF ALL U-6 RULES. SUCH AS MORE TEAMWORK, MORE RULES AND MORE COMMUNICATION.

-U-10: OFFENSE, DEFENSE AND THE ADVANCEMENT OF ALL U-6 AND U-8 RULES. SUCH AS FASTER PLAY, LOTS OF PASSING AND MORE TEAMWORK.

-U12 AND UP: AT THIS AGE LEVEL ALL LOWER DIVISION RULES SHOULD BE KNOWN AND FOLLOWED AS A GUIDE. WITH THE ADVANCEMENT OF ALL PLAYERS, COACHES AND PARENTS IN MHYSA, THEY WILL CONTINUE TO GROW QUICKLY. SOON TO BECOME THE BEST WE ALL HAVE TO OFFER, FOR SOCCER.

-YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL PLAYERS ON THE TEAM. COMMUNICATE AND MAKE SURE ALL PLAYERS ARE LEAVING WITH THEIR PARENT OR GUARDIAN. . THIS INCLUDES ALL PARENTS, PLAYERS AND COACHES. BOTH AT THE PRACTICES AND AT THE GAMES. "LET EVERYONE PROTECT EVERYONE", WE SAY.

- REMEMBER THAT WE ARE ALL ROLE MODELS. WHAT WE SAY AND DO STICKS WITH EVERYTHING WE DO.

-MOSTLY WE WILL BE WATCHING FOR FUN, SAFETY AND SOCCER FUNDAMENTALS. IF YOU DON'T GROW THEN WE ARE NOT DOING OUR BEST FOR YOU.

-ALL QUESTION, CONCENRNS AND HELP ARE ASKED FOR. THE WEBSITE, HOTLINE AND MEETINGS ARE GREAT WAYS TO SHARE INFORMATION. IF WE ARE NOT ALL COMMUNICATING, THEN WE ARE NOT GROWING.

GOOD LUCK AND ENJOY YOUR SOCCER EXPERIENCE



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