



South Mason Youth Soccer Club
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Dear Coaches,

First, I would like to thank each of you for making the time to volunteer as a coach. Without each of you the Summer Soccer Program would not happen year-in and year-out. We thank you for your leadership and being a part of this year's program. Whether it's your first time or maybe your 10th time coaching, whether you are a parent or a student, whether it is 1 team or 3 teams, you are coaching and I want you to know how appreciated each of you are.


Hopefully you were able to attend the coach's orientation. At that meeting we issue your gear, go over the property layout and which fields you will be participating on and hand you your first roster. Expect to have new players that get added to your roster during the first couple weeks. If you have a player that just shows up, or if a player is NOT on your roster, please have them come to the office or snack shack so we can be sure where that player needs to go. Please do not just add them without checking first!

The first week of the season is a practice week. You will be sharing a field with another team. Remember, shin guards and socks are required for players on the field. T-Shirts will be available during the first week of actual games. When handling out shirts, please use the roster provided to make sure you are handing out the correct shirt size. Do not give out any shirt! Please make sure that you do this process or have a parent to assist you in this. Shirts have been ordered specifically for each player based on their registration shirt size.

Remember that the summer program is all about fun, for many of the kids, this will be their first introduction to soccer. We want to play all players equally no matter what their skill level is. We want to treat the other teams with respect, good sportsmanship and without running up the scores. Not all teams will be exactly equal, not all players will have the same skills, but we want everyone to feel good about playing and to have fun!

As a coach, please make sure your players and parents respect and practice the code of conduct and promote good sportsmanship on and off the field, this is a must and any unsportsmanlike action will result in disciplinary action. As the coach you are the face and leader of your team. We as the community and you as the leader set the standard for what our experience will be. If you need help with any situation, please contact the club president or program director and we will assist you. Let us help solve the problem!

Please remember to be kind and respectful to the officials. Most of them are students. They are not to be harassed, yelled at or intimidated by coaches, parents, or players, either on or off the field. Any inappropriate action can mean immediate and permanent removal from the park and the program.



YES, WE DO PLAY IN RAIN. One of the most common questions coaches, player and parent ask. Also, if we have hotter than average weather we will play with increased breaks. SMYSC will announce if any games are canceled. Please do not take it upon yourself as a coach to cancel any games. It affects not just your team but the team you are playing against, the referees and parents. A player parent will eventually stand-in if you cannot make it. Pictures will be sometime near the end of June and pictures schedules will be sent out early in the season.

I know I haven't covered all possible questions you may have, please contact the program director with any further questions. We are here to help you in any way we can. Thank you again for being part of this Summer Soccer Program, each of you are amazing! Remember to have fun and enjoy the experience!

Sincerely,

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