



SOCCERFORKDIS.ORG

RULES, REGULATIONS & POLICIES

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ARTICLE 1

PLAYERS, COACH AND TEAMS REGISTRATIONS

TEAM PLACEMENT: Teams are gender and age pure (age groups will occasionally be combined based on player registration). Age group coordinators will keep teams together from last season whenever possible. We cannot guarantee player placement for every child registered as we depend on the availability of volunteer coaches. If there is a shortage of coaches, players will be placed on teams according to registration date.

Coach, assistants and team managers:

If you are interested in coaching must complete a coaching application a criminal background check will be requested thru a City Police Department and/or Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

The criminal background request is to make sure that our children and our youth soccer programs are safe and to prevent any type of incidents.

SECTION 1: Number of Players – The maximum number of players a team may register in the SUB 6 thru SUB-18 age groups is eighteen (18)

SECTION 2: Registration:

(a) Each player must present a least two (2) proof of age acceptable to the Registrar/Registration Committee.

Acceptable proofs are as follows:

1. Original Birth Certificate
2. Original Passport
3. Previous years player pass
4. Baptismal Certificate
5. Hospital Birth Record
6. Certificate of Naturalization

(b) parent/legal guardian must complete "Player Registration Form"

(c) Each team must have an identification card with photo attached for each player. Player Pass must be presented at each game; failure to comply could result in a forfeit. The Pass must be replaced if any of the following occur:

1. The Pass is lost (*see the replacement ID card fee*)

(d) Each manager/coach and assistant coach must have a validated Coach's Pass, including a picture.

(f) A team may not register additional players after the sixth (6th) game of the divisional season.

(g) A player may be released from his/her team only by an official release form. The release must be turned in to the Registrar within two (2) days of its execution. A player shall not sign a second registration form until five (5) days have elapsed from the date the release was received by the Registrar.

(h) Registration forms must be turned into the Registrar no less than seven (7) days before the day of the game in order for new players to be eligible to play in that game.

(i) All forms and cards must be filled out in ink or typed.

(j) No Secondary players allowed.

SECTION 3: Age Requirement:

Age guide for seasonal membership year 2013

DIVISION	AGE	BIRTHDAY
U4	3	August 2009 - July 2010
U6	4-5	2009-2008
U8	6-7	2007-2006
U10	8-9	2005-2004
U12	10-11	2003-2002
U14	12-13	2001-2000
U16	14-15	1999-1998
U18	16-17	1997-1996

The above age guide seasonal year will be used for the spring, summer and indoor season March 1, 2014 thru March 1, 2015

ARTICLE 2

FEEES AND REFUNDS

- A. Player registration fee \$35 per season
- B. Registration late fee \$10 per player
- C. Player Transfers fee \$20 per player
- D. Player Id Card fee \$ 5 per player
- E. Player id replacement fee \$10 per Id
- F. Team affiliation fee \$50 year
- G. SAYSSOCCER COMPLEX practices fee \$200 per season
- H. Team request to play during the weekdays fee \$200 per season
- I. Additional Game cards package \$20.00

J. The total referee fees amount must be paid on the first schedule season *game (The total referee fee for the regular season games shall be determined before season starts)*

(In the event of a club and/or team fails to pay a referee fee the club and/or team will forfeit the game and the referee fee must be paid before the next schedule game).

K. No refunds will be made after the registration has been paid and sign by a parent and/or legal guardian completed

ARTICLE 3

FUNDRAISING POLICY

Fundraising is **mandatory**. All players are **required** to participate PER SEASON. A \$25 Opt Out is available, but MUST be paid at time of registration (no exceptions). Refusal to participate/opt out will result in player and /or team removal (drop) for the rest of the season or suspension.

The fundraising program allow soccerforkids.org continue offering youth soccer programs with a low registration fee, scholarship funds for low income families and soccer fields improvements.

ARTICLE 4

ASSIGNMENT OF TEAMS

Game Schedules

- (a) The schedule of games for the regular season and for cup matches shall be prepared by the President and/or Board of Directors. The schedule for the regular season games shall be determined by the President and/or Board of Directors, dependent upon the number of teams registered
- (b) The president and/or Board of Directors will be responsible for all scheduling of playoff games.
- (c) In the event of a neutral site being used for a playoff or championship game, the corner flags, goal nets and field markings are the responsibility of the two teams playing.
- (d) Because of the amount of teams that are in the season, field availability, and referee availability, the President and/or Board of Directors will not be able to accept requests for certain playing times. Also the President and/or Board of Directors cannot ensure that a team will play an equal number of home/away games.
- (e) Any club, which drops a team once the President and/or Board of Directors has started the season schedule, will be fined \$200.00 (No players refund please referer to registration policies)

Calling in Game Scores

- (a) The official referee of the game must submitted and REFEREE GAME REPORT no later than 48 hours after the game.
- (b) Every team (coach) it is responsible to keep a record for each game result

Administrative

- (a) If the number of teams in any Division of an age bracket exceeds fourteen (14), the President and/or Board of Directors can sub-divide the Division into two Division (Premier & Special)

Each age division will have their own playoffs for the season Champion.

ARTICLE 5

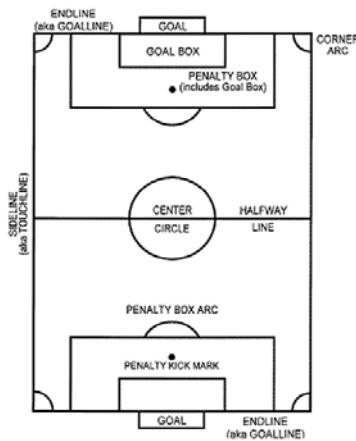
PLAYING FIELDS POLICY

It is the goal of soccerforkids.org to determine when to stop or cancel games due to unsafe field conditions or when play would be detrimental to field quality. It is also the obligation of soccerforkids.org representative to notify teams, coaches, families, and referees of field conditions to prevent unnecessary travel when possible and to only allow play in safe conditions.

There is an explicit difference between the point at which referees will stop games based on unsafe conditions and the point at which soccerforkids.org will stop games in order to preserve field quality. The referees ALWAYS have the authority to stop games and/or prevent them from being played for safety reasons; however, soccerforkids.org holds ultimate authority to stop games from safety standpoint and/or to protect field quality. The ruling of soccerforkids.org will ultimately SUPERCEDE the referee's decision.

Every age division will participate in their appropriate soccer fields assigned by soccerforkids.org. All the fields must be approved by soccerforkids.org before any playing game.

Out of Town club and/or team can request to play home games at their home town. The team and/or club must submit a field agreement, field location thirty (30) days before their first schedule game. This request must be approved by soccerforkids.org before any playing game.



ARTICLE 6

GAME REGULATIONS

- (a) SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG shall abide by the laws of the game as set down by the Federation International of Football Association (F.I.F.A.) and the affiliated member organization and/or association with the following exceptions:

1. Duration of game:

- a) SUB 6 & SUB 8: Two (2) twenty-five (20) minute halves for a fifty (40) minute game.
- b) SUB 10: Two (2) thirty (25) minute halves for a sixty (50) minute game.
- c) SUB 12 & SUB 14: Two (2) thirty-five (30) minute halves for a sixty (60) minute game.
- d) SUB 16: Two (2) forty (35) minute halves for seventy (70) minute game.
- e) SUB 18: Two (2) forty-five (40) minute halves for eighty (80) minute game.

2. Substitutions:

- a) There will be no limit on the number of players a team may substitute.
- b) Substitutions can be made at the following times:
 - 1. Goal
 - 2. Goal kick
 - 3. Throw-in (with possession)
 - 4. Injury (on official stoppage of game)
 - 5. at half-time
- c) All substitutions must report to the Referee upon entering the game.
- d) It is required to substitute for a player that has received a caution (yellow card) from the Referee. The player may re-enter the game at any time mentioned in "b" above.

3. Goalkeeper:

- a) In all age divisions the keeper must abide by all F.I.F.A. rules.

4. The size of the ball used shall be:

- a) SUB 6 & SUB 8 Divisions Number 3 Ball
- b) SUB 10 & SUB 12 Divisions Number 4 Ball
- c) SUB 14 thru SUB 18 Divisions Number 5 Ball

ARTICLE 7

FORFEITS

- (a) An 11 v 11 games is forfeited when either team fails to field seven (7) players, FIVE (10) minutes after the scheduled start of the game. A 9 v 9 games is forfeited when either team fails to field six (6) players, FIVE (10) minutes after the scheduled start of the game.
- (b) Games will start on time when both teams have the minimum number of players at the scheduled game time.
- (c) If a team fails to appear, In the event of a forfeit, the team causing said forfeit may be fined up to the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00). The fine must be paid (**Before the next schedule game**). Failure to pay the assessed fine within the prescribed time period may result in forfeit of all games until fine is paid. *In the event of a team forfeit three (3) games during the same season, the will be drop for the rest of the playing season.*
- (d) If one or more players form a club and/or team participates without an official uniform. The team will forfeit the game.

In the event of a team forfeit three (3) games, the team will be drop for rest of the playing season.

- (e) If a team fail to present an official soccerforkids.org GAME CARD and/or the GAME CARD is not fill out correct the team will forfeit the game. Will result in a fine of **(\$25.00)** the fine must be paid (Before the next schedule game). Failure to pay the assessed fine within the prescribed time period may result in forfeit of all games until fine is paid.
- (f) If a team fails to present officials soccerforkids.org *PLAYERS IDS* the team will forfeit the game and may be fined up to **(\$50.00)** the fine must be paid (*Before the next schedule game*).

Failure to pay the assessed fine within the prescribed time period may result in forfeit of all games until fine is paid. And or the team will be drop for the rest of the playing season.

ARTICLE 8

SEASON STANDINGS

- (a) The Point System will be used to determine standings. A win will be three (3) points and a tie one (1) point. There will be no points for a loss.
- (b) There are no ties in semifinals games, if at end of regulation time the score is tied the FIFA penalty kicks will apply.
- (c) There are no ties in playoff or championship games. If at end of regulation time the score is tied, two (2) overtime periods will be played *in full* as follows:
 - SUB 6 and SUB 8, two (2) 5 minute halves
 - SUB 10 thru SUB 14, two (2) 5 minute halves
 - SUB 18 and SUB 18, two (2) 10 minute halves

At the end of the overtime periods, if the score is still tied, F.I.F.A. penalty kicks will apply.

- (c) F.I.F.A. Rules will govern all matches, unless otherwise determined by soccerforkids.org, President and/or Board of Director.

ARTICLE 9

POSTPONEMENT OF GAMES

- (a) In the case of inclement weather, the postponed game can be made up through the President and/or Board of Director at an agreed upon date and time.
- (b) All games shall be played at the designated location and scheduled time. Changes of location and scheduled starting time can be made only by the President and/or Board of Director.
- (c) Games cannot be rescheduled after the schedules have been finalized. If it is necessary for a game to be rescheduled it may be done, with the President and/or Board of Director approval, for a fee of \$25.00

ARTICLE 10

UNIFORM POLICY

The uniform policy, all players registered within their team must wear an approved uniform while representing their team and/or club during the season. The official approved uniform includes a jersey, shorts and socks as set and a 6" number printed on the back of the jersey, for each player on their team and/or club.

The uniform must be the same of all the players on their team, otherwise your children team will forfeit each game where one or more players fail this policy. If a team forfeits 3 games regarding this policy, the team will be drop for the rest of the season.

No advertising will be allowed from companies that include alcohol, cigars, and all forms of alcohol, birth preventions (i.e. condoms), brothels and any other social deemed unacceptable firms.

No exceptions, any team and/or club that violated this policy will be drop from the playing season.

ARTICLE 11

PLAYERS EQUIPMENT POLICY

- (a) A player shall not wear anything that is dangerous to another player.
- (b) Player's equipment shall mean jersey or shirt, shorts, shin guards and soccer shoes. **The uniform must be the same for all players on the team.** A goalkeeper shall wear colors that distinguish him/her from the other players. Shin guards are mandatory. All jerseys must have a number, six (6) inches high. In the event of duplicate team colors, the visiting team must change uniforms.
- (c) Decisions of officials in regard to safety of equipment will be final.

If a player(s) fails the section (b) at any game, the club and/or team(s) will forfeit the game. In the event of a club and/or team(s) forfeit 3 games during the playing season, the club and/or team(s) will be drop for the rest of the playing season.

ARTICLE 12

OFFICIAL GAME CARDS

- (a) Each team must present the Referee with a Game Card Form at the start of the game. These forms must be signed by the Manager/Coach.
- (b) Game Cards Forms must contain the starting line-up and reserves, along with the jersey number of each player. If the form is not filled out properly a fine or forfeit may result. If any player is discovered to be playing and is not included on the Game Card Form, the game will be forfeited. **(Game card No completed –Forfeit, No name-forfeit, No number-forfeit)**

ARTICLE 13

REFEREES

- (a) Games shall be covered by sanctioned Referee who will have full control of the game. In the event of a Referee not covering a game, either team may refuse to play without penalty or a spectator may be used to officiate. A spectator may be used by mutual agreement of both managers; however, no protest will be honored by the League pertaining to games so officiated.
- (b) In the event a game is postponed (called) by the Referee, due to weather conditions, one-half (1/2) of the prescribed fee shall be paid by the home team (to cover traveling expenses) to the Referee.
- (c) In the event a game is postponed (called) due to weather conditions after play has started, the Referee shall be paid the prescribed fee in full.

The referee has the authority to take disciplinary sanctions from the moment he enters the field of play until he leaves the field of play after the final whistle. A player who commits a

cautionable or sending-off offence, either on or off the field of play, whether directed towards an opponent, a team-mate, the referee, an assistant referee or any other person, is disciplined according to the nature of the offence committed.

ARTICLE 14

FOULS AND MISCONDUCT

YELLOW CARD

Players who commit misconduct are shown: a yellow card (caution) a red card (sendoff). or Substitutes on the sideline can also be cautioned or sent from the field.

A substitute or substituted player is cautioned (Yellow card) if he commits any of the

Cautionable offences

A player is cautioned and shown the yellow card if he commits any of the

Following seven offences:

- Unsporting behavior
- Dissent by word or action
- Persistent infringement of the Laws of the Game
- delaying the restart of play
- Failure to respect the required distance when play is restarted with a corner kick, free kick or throw-in
- Entering or re-entering the field of play without the referee's permission
- Deliberately leaving the field of play without the referee's permission

But not limited to the following:

- a) Showing disagreement with the referee's or assistant referee's decision by words or action.
- b) Persistent Infringement (committing many fouls), Delaying the restart of play(not starting play quickly enough or preventing the start of play), Fails to respect the required distance (ten yards) when other team's taking a free kick or corner kick or (two yards) taking a throw-in (this used to be called "encroachment"), Player entering or re-entering the field without the permission of the referee, Player leaving the field without the permission of the referee (except as part of normal play).

RED CARD

Sending-off offences *Misconducts/Violations which can result in a sendoff (red card) are:*

A player, substitute or substituted player is sent off (Red card) if he commits any of the

Following seven offences:

- Serious foul play
- Violent conduct
- Spitting at an opponent or any other person
- Denying the opposing team a goal or an obvious goal scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball (this does not apply to a goalkeeper within his own penalty area)
- Denying an obvious goal scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the player's goal by an offence punishable by a free kick or a penalty kick
- Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures
- Receiving a second caution in the same match

A player, substitute or substituted player who has been sent off must leave the vicinity of the field of play and the technical area.

But not limited to the following:

- a) Serious foul play (using violence while committing a direct free kick foul and competing for the ball), Violent conduct (any other form of violence against anyone else), Spitting at someone, Preventing a goal or interfering with a clear goal-scoring chance by committing a foul, Preventing a goal by handling the ball (except the goalkeeper within the defending team's penalty area), Using offensive, insulting, or abusive language or gestures, Being cautioned a second time in the same game. (The yellow card is shown for the second caution and then the red card is shown.)

ARTICLE 15

SAYSSOCCERCOMPLEX AND OTHER FACILITIES POLICY

The **SAYSSOCCER COMPLEX** Fields are leased to us by the **San Joaquin Fair** at no cost and all maintenance cost it is responsibility of soccerforkids.org. It is extremely important that we treat our fields and their facilities with respect and observe all field rules because open field space is difficult to find, and they make it possible for us to play on their facilities. Treat these fields as if they were your own. Metal cleats are not allowed on the fields.

Rest Rooms

There are rest rooms located in the small utility building adjacent to the parking lot. Please take your 'fluid adjustment' breaks there and not in the woods or bushes. Public urination won't be tolerated. Please be respectful of others and **keep the restrooms clean, our children use them every day.**

Note: Be aware if that facility with use stop soccerforkids.org uses their restrooms, we must bring portables and we all (parents) are responsible to cover the cost.

Parking

Parking will start in the far rear of the parking area and will progress forward. Always watch your speed, and be careful not to tear up the grass, especially when you entrance and exiting the parking lot. In order to keep our playing fields, it is imperative that we respect the fields, the facilities, our teammates and other team members. As we've said before, treat these fields as if they were your own.

No Pest allowed

All visitors to SAYSSOCCER COMPLEX and any other facility with use - please take notice that **NO PEST are allowed** at any time.

If anyone is seen with a dog or any other pets at any SAYSSOCCER Field or facility with use - please inform them politely, of our policy. If necessary, please refer them to any coordinator.

ARTICLE 16

DRUGS, ALCOHOL AND TABACCO USE POLICY

SOCCKERFORKIDS.ORG policy on drug, alcohol, and tobacco use is **ZERO TOLERANCE**. If becomes aware of any player who has become involved in under-age drinking, illegal drug use, or the use of tobacco, the player will be dismissed immediately WITH NO REFUND of any fees or costs paid to date. There will be no second chance, reinstatement or appeal. Do not jeopardize your hard work and dedication by poor personal choices.

- a) A player dismissed from his or her team for drug, alcohol or tobacco violation is not eligible to participate in any team or club activities or events during the soccer year* of dismissal, with one exception....the player is allowed to participate with a team that would begin play in the next seasonal year.
- b) Any type of drugs, alcohol and tobacco use is NOT allowed at any soccerforkids.org event and or facility where any game(s), tournament and festival been play. In the event of any player(s), visitor, parent and official fails this policy will be suspended from any participating in any soccerforkids.org event.

ARTICLE 17

PANALTIES, SUSPENSIONS AND FINES

The President and/or Board of Directors and/or disciplinary committee have jurisdiction and enforce penalties and suspensions in accordance with established on this rules and procedures including, but not limited to, referee reports, protests, appeals, suspensions, penalties, ejections, accumulation of cautions, conduct, refusal to play, abandonment of games, forfeits, player transfers, payment of fines, etc., and any other issues/items within the jurisdiction of and/or delegated to the President and/or Board of Director This includes the authority to levy fines up to and including \$300.00 per incident. These fines shall be due and payable upon receipt of the official written decision of the President and/or Board of Director. Failure to pay such fines within days (5) days, prior to the next scheduled game may result in a forfeit of that game and all future games until such fines are paid.

Every member coach and official of any player, club and/or team affiliated with soccerforkdis.org. Shall be considered a member of the soccerforkkids.org debt of any member club or individual person which is owed to the soccerforkkids.org shall be payable no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the date that the sum is declared payable. Failure to comply will result in the member club being classified as a member in bad standing. Any individual member shall be suspended until payments of fines have been satisfied to the soccerforkkids.org in full.

- *In the event of a club and/or team fails to pay a referee fee the club and/or team will forfeit the game and the Referee fee must be paid before the next schedule game.*
- *Fundraising is mandatory. All players are required to participate PER SEASON. A \$25 Opt Out is available, but MUST be paid at time of registration (no exceptions). Refusal to participate/opt out will result in player and /or team removal (drop) for the rest of the season or suspension.*

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- *Games cannot be rescheduled after the schedules have been finalized. If it is necessary for a game to be rescheduled it may be done, with the President and/or Board of Director approval, for a fee of \$25.00*
- *If a team fail to present an official soccerforkkids.org GAME CARD and/or the GAME CARD is not fill out correct the team will forfeit the game. Will result in a fine of (\$25.00) the fine must be paid (Before the next schedule game). Failure to pay the assessed fine within the prescribed time period may result in forfeit of all games until fine is paid.*
- *If a team fails to present officials soccerforkkids.org PLAYERS IDS the team will forfeit the game and may be fined up to (\$50.00) the fine must be paid (Before the next schedule game).*
- *If a team fails to appear, In the event of a forfeit, the team causing said forfeit may be fined up to the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00). The fine must be paid (**Before the next schedule game**). Failure to pay the assessed fine within the prescribed time period may result in forfeit of all games until fine is paid.*

Players Penalties and Suspensions:

- Serious foul play = **3 games suspended**
- Violent conduct = **4 games suspended**
- Spitting at an opponent or any other person = **4 games suspended**
- Denying the opposing team a goal or an obvious goal scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball (this does not apply to a goalkeeper within his own penalty area) = **1 game suspended**
- Denying an obvious goal scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the player's goal by an offence punishable by a free kick or a penalty kick = **1 game suspended**
- Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures = **4 games suspended**
- Receiving a second caution in the same match = **1 game suspended**

Assaulting the referee(s), (pushing, hitting, physical threats) = **the player (s) will be BANNED FROM SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG and legal action will be taken. If player(s) and/or a team with a history of violence i.e. fighting etc. throughout season, the player(s) and/or the team will be BANNED FROM SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG games, tournaments and/or events.**

Parents, Visitors and Spectators:

No parent, visitor or spectator shall persistently address the referee or assistant referees at any time. This includes, but is not limited to:

- A. Parents and spectators shall not dispute calls during or after the game.
- B. Parents and spectators shall not make remarks to the referee(s) or advise the referee(s) to watch certain players or attend to rough play.
- C. Parents and spectators shall never yell at the referee(s), including criticism, sarcasm, harassment, intimidation or feedback of any kind before, during or after the game.
- D. Additionally, parents and spectators shall not make derogatory comments to players, spectators or coaches of either team.

Penalties (Parents, Visitors and Spectators):

In the opinion of the referee, depending on the severity of the offense, the referee may take any of the following actions:

- A. The referee may issue a verbal warning to the coach of offending party's team.
- B. The referee may stop the game and instruct the coaches to direct the parent /spectator to leave the field. The Parents & Spectators will be suspended for 2 schedule games.
- C. In the event the parent does not comply with the referee's instructions, the referee may abandon the game. The game is prohibited from resuming without an assigned ***SOCCKERFORKIDS-ORG*** official. The Parents & Spectators will be suspended for the remaining games of the season and NOT allowed to enter the practice and/or games fields
- D. For assaulting the referee (pushing, hitting, physical threats) = suspension for one to five Years and His/hers children(s) will be BANNED from any ***SOCCKERFORKIDS-ORG*** sanctioned events and competitions and **LEGAL ACTION** will be taken.
- E. For assaulting the referee (pushing, hitting, physical threats) = suspension for LIFE And His/hers children(s) will be BANNED from any ***SOCCKERFORKIDS-ORG*** sanctioned events and competitions and **LEGAL ACTION** will be taken.

Coaches and Assistant:

It is the responsibility of all coaches to maintain the highest standards of conduct for themselves, their players and supporters in all matches. Failure to do so undermines the referee's authority and the integrity of the game resulting in a hostile environment for players, the referee(s), coaches, assistant coaches and parents/spectators.

As role models for all of the participants and spectators, coaches participating in a ***SOCCERFORKIDS-ORG*** sanctioned events are expected to be supportive of, and to acknowledge the effort, good play and sportsmanship on the part of ALL players from either team in a game. By example, coaches & assistant coaches are expected to show that although they are competing in a game, they have respect for their opponent, referees and spectators at all times.

SOCCERFORKIDS-ORG will not tolerate negative behavior exhibited either by demonstrative actions and gestures, or by ill-intentioned remarks, including those addressed toward the referees or members of an opposing team. Coaches exhibiting hostile, negative, sarcastic or otherwise ill-intended behavior toward referees, opposing players or coaches will be subject to disciplinary action by the ***SOCCERFORKIDS-ORG***.

Coaches shall not interact directly or indirectly with the referee, or coaches & players of the opposing team during the game in any manner that may be construed as negative, hostile or sarcastic either by way of demonstrative actions and gestures or by ill-intentioned remarks.

Coaches shall not offer dissent to any call made by the referee(s) at any time

Coaches are not to address the Referee(s) during the game except to:

- A. Respond to a referee who has initiated a conversation.
- B. Point out emergency or safety issues.
- C. Make substitutions.
- D. Absolutely no sarcasm, harassment or intimidation is allowed.

It is prohibited for coaches or team members to engage in any conversation with the referee(s) once the game has concluded.

Coaches may address questions or concerns related to a referee's actions, conduct or abilities to the President, Board of Directors and/or Division Coordinator for review and investigation by the SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG, President, Board of Directors, Disciplinary Committee and/or Referee Coordinator after the game.

Requests for review or investigation of specific calls made by a referee during a game will not be considered.

Penalties – Coaches and Assistant and Managers:

In the opinion of the referee, depending on the severity of the offense, the referee may take any of the following actions during the game:

LEVEL 1: The referee may issue a verbal warning to the offending coach or assistant coach.

LEVEL 2: The referee may eject the offending coach or assistant coach. Once ejected, the individual **MUST** leave the field immediately before the game resumes. The Coach will be suspended 1- 5 schedule games.

LEVEL 3: In the event the coach or assistant coach does not comply with the referee's instructions, the referee may abandon the game. The game is prohibited from resuming without an assigned **SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG** official. = suspension for 8 games.

LEVEL 4: For assaulting the referee (pushing, hitting, physical threats) = suspension for LIFE from the **SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG** and legal action will be taken.

The ultimate responsibility for the actions of the spectators resides with coaches and assistant coaches. Coaches will be held accountable for the actions of their players, parents, and spectators and may be subject to suspension, penalties or revocation of coaching privileges for grievous actions. Additionally a team, player or coach may be suspended from all future competitions until such time appropriate action has been taken with the parent/spectator to the satisfaction of the President, Board of Directors and/or Disciplinary committee.

Suspension, Banning of Players, Parents/Spectators, Coaches, Assistant Coaches:

Upon review & investigation of any reported infraction of the aforementioned rules the **SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG**, President, Board of Directors and/or Disciplinary committee will issue a ruling and penalties to be served in accordance with the following:

If a player, parent, spectator, coach or assistant coach is suspended, they are suspended from the next scheduled **SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG** sanctioned game(s) and are not permitted at the facility where said game(s) are scheduled to be played.

If an offending coach or parent is given a suspension for an infraction against a referee will be suspended and his/her children(s) will be banned from any **SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG** sanctioned events and competitions. **SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG** reserves the right to suspend or ban any participant player, parent, spectator, coach or assistant coach who fails to comply with any **SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG** rules, regulations and policies. This is to ensure the health, welfare and safety of any player, coach, assistant coach, referee, board member or spectator.

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ARTICLE 18 PROTESTS

- (a) A protest may be filed for the following reasons:
 - 1. Rule Interpretation
 - 2. Player Eligibility
 - 3. Violation of the *soccerforkids.org* Rules and Regulations.

- (b) The Referee and opposing coach and/or Manager must be notified in writing prior to or during a game that a protest is being made. Such protests will be notated on the referee game report card and initialed by the Referee and Protesting coach and/or manager.

- (c) Protests pertaining to the *soccerforkids.org* Field of Play, Goal Posts or Nets, Corner Flags, or any other appurtenances must be lodged with the Referee and prior to the start of the game.

- (d) Should a player be proven ineligible, his team will be charged with a loss for all games in which he participated. If his name appeared on the Game Card Form, and he did not play, he will be treated as playing in such game.

- (e) The Coach and/or Manager of an ineligible player shall be brought before the Disciplinary Committee, the President and/or the Board of Directors, to determine how this violation occurred and appropriate penalty to be assigned.

- (f) Any formal protests must be made in triplicate within forty-eight (48) hours after the game. One copy of the letter shall be sent to the Chairman of the Disciplinary Committee, a copy to the Opposing Team Coach and/or Manager, and the third copy should be retained for the protester's file. Such letters shall contain the following:
 - 1. A twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) Protest Fee.
 - 2. Name, address and telephone number of Protesting Manager and Club Soccer.
 - 3. Location, Time and Date of Game.
 - 4. All facts regarding Protest (*be specific*).

- (g) No Protest Fee shall be return if the Protest is denied, or if a Protest is improperly filed. Any Protests upheld will result in return of Protest Fee.

ARTICLE 19

INSURANCE

All players will be coverage with a secondary insurance thru an insurance company and/or affiliated association.

No authorize and/or approval competitions against any other team(s) not affiliated organizations soccerforkids.org will not be responsible for any accident may occur.

ARTICLE 20

AWARDS

(a) Awards will be determined by the President and/or Board of Directors on an annual basis.

The following awards will be presenting:

Players and teams Awards

Champion team trophy and individual player's awards

2nd place team trophy and individual player's awards

3^{er} place individual player's awards

ARTICLE 21

AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND REGULATIONS

- (a) Amendments to *SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG* Rules, Regulations and Policies may be proposed submitted at any Board of Director and/or Member at the Membership Meeting.
- (b) Proposed amendments to the *SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG* Rules, Regulations and Policies must be submitted in writing to the President and Board of Director.
- (c) Proposed amendments to the *SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG* Rules, Regulations and Policies must be approved by the Board of Directors and the voting membership, in attendance and voting, each at their own separate meeting with the exception that a proposed rule change which is rejected by the Board of Directors will be reviewed by the Presiding Officer at the subsequent General League Meeting. Such proposed amendments may then be voted upon at the subsequent (i.e. second) General League Meeting, if such a motion is made and seconded, and adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of member clubs in good standing and in attendance and voting.
- (d) Proposed *SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG* Rules, Regulations and Policies changes which are not approved in accordance with paragraph (c) above may not be reintroduced until a minimum of nine (9) months has elapsed from the time of its original introduction.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the above reflects a true and accurate record and copy of the official Constitution and By-Laws of the *SOCCERFORKIDS.ORG* Rules & Regulations as approved by the President and/or Board of Directors and the General Membership.

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