

# GROSSE ILE SOCCER ASSOCIATION

## COACHES INFORMATION SHEET

**Div I-** Each game will be played with 7 players on the field at a time. 6 + a keeper. Players may play the whole field, not just ½ of the field. Teams with less than 6 players will forfeit the game. Teams may only play with one more player than the other team. Games are 10 min quarters.

**Div II-**Each game will be played with 7 players on the field at a time. 6 + a keeper. There will be only one referee to each of these games with parents expected to call out of bounds unbiasedly. There will no longer be offsides called. Div II teams that practice at Sacred Heart, it is the responsibility of the coaches to make sure that the parents park in the rear of the church. Have them park near the baseball field and not on the side of the church. (This includes parishiners) Games are 20 min halves. Teams may only play with one more player on the field than the other team.

**Div III-**Each game will be played with 8 players on the field at a time. 7 players and one keeper. Halves are 30 min long. Each game will have only 2 referees and they will call offside. Teams may only play with one more player on the field than the other team.

**Div IV-**Each game will be played with 11 players on the field at a time. 10 players and one keeper. Halves at 40 min long. Each game will have only 2 referees and they will call offside. Teams may only play with one more player on the field than the other team.

In each division, keepers have 6 seconds to release a ball after picking up the ball.

Div I,II,III- an indirect kick will be awarded outside the penalty area for improper handling of the ball from the keeper. In Div IV, a penalty kick will be awarded.

**For all teams-**Each coach will need to choose a **Jersey Parent** (Not the Coach). The jersey parent's duties are as follows:

1. Complete the jersey form listing each player's jersey #, name, ph # and e-mail address and return the form to Bob Scavone, our equipment manager.
2. Collect and launder the jerseys at the end of the season.
3. Return the jerseys to the equipment manager as soon as possible.
4. Remind all parents of proper jersey care. Please wash inside out and **DO NOT** place in dryer.
5. Please inform parents that if they do not return the game jersey back to the coach or to a GISA board member, there will be a \$20.00 charge for a replacement.

**Everyone plays-**Each player must play at least one half of each game

**Balanced teams-**Our goal is to keep teams as evenly balanced as possible.

### **Positive Coaching Guidelines-**

1. Treat each player, opposing coach, official, parent, and administrator with respect and dignity.
2. Encourage all players, including those on the opposing team.
3. Learn the fundamentals, rules, teaching techniques and strategies.
4. Attend any coaching functions offered by GISA
5. You are welcome to keep track of your team statistics, but please remember that the main goal is to have fun.
6. No berating the referees.
7. No berating other coaches.
8. No swearing.
9. No taunting.
10. Report any issues or incidents that violate rules or the spirit of the game.

**Good Sportsmanship-**GISA is built on good sportsmanship and mutual respect for each other. Make sure that when shaking hands, the kids say "good game". Coaches need to set a good example in this respect.

**Player trades-**ALL trades are done thru the player agent. No trades after the 1<sup>st</sup> game. Trades are only due to practice conflicts.

**Equipment-**Players need to have shin guards, socks that cover the shin guards, soccer shoes (without a toe cleat), water bottle. Jerseys are to be worn on the outside of all clothing, even in cold weather. All jewelry must be removed, including barettes, earrings and necklaces. For new piercings, a bandage may be worn over the ear for protection.

**Parent meeting is encouraged at the first practice-**Make sure that the parents know to contact the coach if they can't make an event.

Share with the parents the parent 10 commandments (AYSO manual)

1. Make sure your child has a positive sports experience.
2. Have your child at practices and games-**on time!!**
3. Practice with your child at home.
4. Come to their games as often as possible. You are also welcome at practices.
5. Cheer positively.
6. Allow coaches to coach.
7. Allow referees to referee.
8. Compliment your child.
9. Talk to the coach.
10. Remember that this is your child's game.

**Cancellation of games-**Games will be cancelled on a case by case basis. If you cancel a game before the start time, please call your team as soon as possible. Coaches, referees and parents should always be on the lookout for bad weather. If lightning is seen, stop play immediately. Play can be resumed only after lightning has not been seen for 20 minutes. Soccer is played in all other weather conditions. Please do not cancel a game due to sprinkling.

**Make-up games**-All make-up games are now made up on the following Saturday. Call the field manager(Ed Will) for the availability of the field. The field manager will coordinate with the head referee(Tom Snider) for referees.

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#### **Recommended resources for coaches**

GISA website [www.grosseillesoccer.com](http://www.grosseillesoccer.com)

US Youth Soccer [www.usyouthsoccer.org/coaches](http://www.usyouthsoccer.org/coaches) & [www.topleague.co.uk](http://www.topleague.co.uk)

Coaching Youth Soccer by Bobby Clark

The Confident Coach's Guide to Teaching Youth Soccer by Joe Provey

Coaching Youth Soccer by American Sport Education Program

The New Coach's Guide to Coaching Youth Soccer by Simon Whitehead

Coaching Youth Soccer by John P McCarthy Jr

The Practical Guide to Youth Soccer Coaching by Jason Carney

Coaching Youth Soccer by Howie Thompson