

Coach Guidelines for FALL 2025

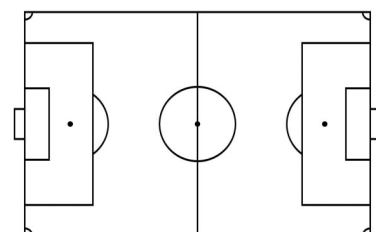
THANK YOU for volunteering to coach. This is an all volunteer organization and without you, we couldn't have enough teams and our children couldn't play. Thank you!!

8U

- **SET UP 1 GOAL IF YOU ARE THE FIRST GAME OF THE DAY**
- **TAKE DOWN 1 GOAL IF YOU ARE THE LAST GAME OF THE DAY**
- The season runs from Aug thru Nov 22. *An additional week maybe be added if your team is invited to the invitational tournament.*
- Practices: 1 day a week for 1hr all season.
- There are not enough goals on the field for everyone to use. You and the team(s) around you must share the goals. They can't be moved
- Players **MUST ALWAYS** have shin guards during practices & games, or they can't participate!!
- Players are not allowed to wear jewelry of any kind during practices or games this includes earrings.
- Medical Release FORMS must ALWAYS be with you.
 - In your absence, ONLY the asst coach or team manager can carry the forms IF they completed certs.
- **REFEREES are needed to play games!** Home team provides an AYSO certified referee to officiate the game. This cannot be the coach.
 - Anyone 11 ½ yrs and older can referee. Ask parents for help!
 - Regional Ref Admin (RRA): Christopher 909-215-3753
 - Regional Level FULL In-Person Referee Classes (NEW referees): **Sep7 @ 8:30am** | **Sep21 @ 8:30am** | **Oct5 @ 8:30am**
- REFEREE ABUSE POLICY (RAP): New policy eff Mar 2025.
 - There is no yelling at or taunting to the referees. **It is the coach's responsibility to control their sideline.**
- MEDALS: **ONLY** teams fulfilling their referee requirements will be invited to playoffs. These teams will receive medals.
- Bullying of the opposite team or teammates will not be tolerated.
- Team Name: name is picked at the coaches' meeting
- Banner: It's optional, but your team would have to pay for it. You can ONLY have the player's name, picture or the jersey#. **ONLY ONE!!**
- Uniforms: NOTHING may be added to the uniform. This is for the player's safety and is a national guideline set by our national office.
- **No pets of any kind or size are allowed in the park | No sunflower seeds or any shelled nuts are allowed within the park**
- There will be a **MEET the COACH** night on **Aug11 @ 8pm**. You will go over these guidelines, posted on our website. The Region can help you with the volunteers you recruit or help you recruit volunteers. The Region can help them complete their requirements.
- Coach and Asst Coach must complete an 8U coach class on online under AYSO (The Vol Req form shows you how get to this link)
- Team Parent Role:
 - Pick up/hand out uniforms; make a snack schedule; schedule pizza parties; Picture Day; Volunteer Sched; coordinate a banner...
 - Team Manager meeting will be on **Aug19 @ 7:30pm** at the Soccer Park next to garage, under an ezip.
 - Uniforms will be handed out. ONLY if ALL your volunteers have completed ALL courses
- OPENING CEREMONY: **NOT** this year, due to the city closing the park earlier than expected
- Park opens **Aug 18**. First Day of games is **Sept 6** *** tentative || Picture Day is **Oct11**.
- If we add new players to the team, our Registrar or your division Commissioner will be letting the coach know.
 - **Do not let any players join your team** without the parent handing you the player's Medical Release form.
- Our Volunteer Appreciation Meal is **Nov6 6pm-8pm** for coaches, assist coaches and team parent who are approved volunteers and completed ALL requirements (see Vol Req List on website under Coach Tab)

GAMES

- Games will be played on field 6 south for girls, field 5 south for boys
- Heading is not allowed. There are NO penalty kicks.
- Each half is 20min with a 5min half time. The center ref should give players a water break of about 1min half way thru each half.
- Even if game start late, THEY MUST END before the next hour.
- Games are played with 6v6, including the goalkeeper.
- The goalkeeper can't punt the ball, it must be rolled or thrown out past the build out line. The goalkeeper must wear a penne
- This division needs to prepare game cards for each game AND turn them in to the referee
- If you have a sub, please sub out 1 player every quarter.
- Any questions, please contact your division coordinator first: Martha M. @ (323) 633-6323
- Coach Admin: Adam D. @ 928-243-7620



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"There's nothing greater than the HEART of a volunteer"

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