



# CMYSL Coaching Meeting

March 2025

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# Fact Sheet

## Players

	U10	U12	U14	U16	U19
	Grades 3/4	Grades 5/6	Grades 7/8	Grades 9/10	Grades 11/12/PG
Maximum # on Field	7	9	11	11	11
Minimum # on Field	5	6	7	7	7
Maximum # on Roster	14	18	22	22	22
Minimum # on Roster	9	11	13	13	13

## Playing Field (All Dimensions in yards, unless stated otherwise)

Maximum Size	45 X 60	55 X 80	80 X 130	80 X 130	80 X 130
Minimum Size	35X45	45 X 70	50 X 100	50 X 100	50 X 100
Recommended Size	40 X 55	50 x 75	60 x 110	60 x 110	60 x 110
Center Circle Radius	8	8	10	10	10
Penalty Area	14 YD LINE	14 X 34	18 X 44	18 X 44	18 X 44
Penalty Kick Spot from Goal Line	8	10	12	12	12
Penalty Arc Radius from PK Spot	6	8	10	10	10
Goal Area Size	6 X 18	6 X 18	6 X 20	6 X 20	6 X 20
Coaches Technical Area Size	3 X 10	3 X 10	3 X 10	3 X 10	3 X 10
Technical Area Distance from Midfield	5	5	5	5	5
Technical Area Distance from Touchline	1	1	1	1	1
Maximum Goal Size (in feet)	6 X 18	6 X 18	8 X 24	8 X 24	8 X 24
Minimum Goal Size (in feet)	6 X 12	6 X 18	8 X 24	8 X 24	8 X 24

# Fact Sheet (Cont)

<b>Games</b>	<b>U10</b>	<b>U12</b>	<b>U14</b>	<b>U16</b>	<b>U19</b>
	<b>Grades 3/4</b>	<b>Grades 5/6</b>	<b>Grades 7/8</b>	<b>Grades 9/10</b>	<b>Grades 11/12/PG</b>
Ball Size	4	4	5	5	5
Duration in Half (minutes)	25	30	35	40	45
Half Time duration	5	5	5	5	5
Heading/Attempting to Head the Ball	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Slide Tackling	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Build Out Line (Half line)	Yes	No	No	No	No
Offsides	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Second Chance Throw In	No	No	No	No	No

<b>Substitution Time</b>	<b>U10</b>	<b>U12</b>	<b>U14</b>	<b>U16</b>	<b>U19</b>
	<b>Grades 3/4</b>	<b>Grades 5/6</b>	<b>Grades 7/8</b>	<b>Grades 9/10</b>	<b>Grades 11/12/PG</b>
Goal Scored	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Goal Kick	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Corner Kick	No	No	No	No	No
Direct/Indirect Foul	No	No	No	No	No
Throw-in in your favor	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Throw-in for the opposing team	No	No	No	No	No
Throw-in for the opposing team with the opposing team subbing	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Player Injury (Opposing team may make 1:1 sub)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Yellow/Red card issued	*Yes*	*Yes*	*Yes*	*Yes*	*Yes*
Water Break	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

\*Yes\* = no replacement player for player issued a red card

# Fact Sheet (Cont)

	U10	U12	U14	U16	U19
<b>Safety items</b>	Grades 3/4	Grades 5/6	Grades 7/8	Grades 9/10	Grades 11/12/PG
Jewelry (Earrings, Necklaces, Rope wristband, etc.)	No	No	No	No	No
Cast	No	No	No	No	No
Bubble Wrapped Cast	No	No	No	No	No
Hand/Wrist/Arm splints with metal in them	No	No	No	No	No
Hard hair items: Barrettes, beads, or plastic clips, etc.	No	No	No	No	No
Medical device <b>(Must be secured properly)</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Knee brace with metal in it <b>(Outer Sleeve Recommended)</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Soft hair items: pre-wrap or elastic hair bands	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sweat Shirt worn UNDER uniform jersey <b>(Hood tucked)</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sweat Pants worn over Uniform shorts and socks	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Shin Guards - <b>(Required)</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Socks are Required over Shin Guards	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

No earrings! No tape over earrings!! If you want the player to play – they must come out!

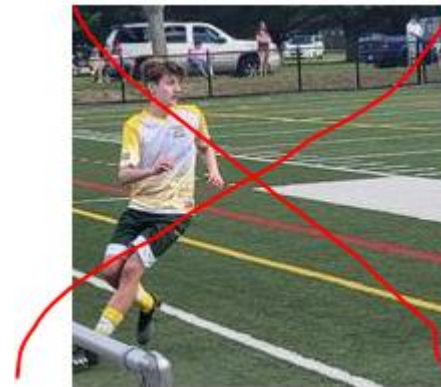
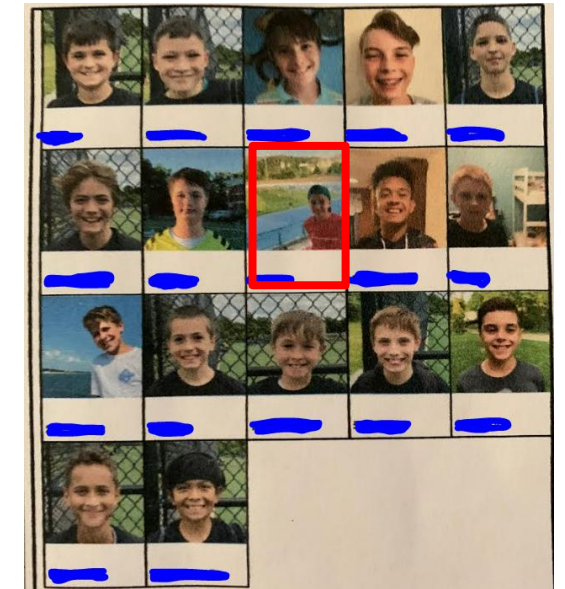
# Fact sheet - Fines

Description	Fee	Rule Reference	Comments
<b>Club Registration Penalties/Fines</b>			
Town/club that does not send a voting Rep to the AGM Meeting	\$250	Constitution VII (General Meetings)	
Adding a team after the registration date but before the add/drop period	\$50 per team	League Bylaw III (Player, Team, and Club Eligibility) Section C	
Add/Remove Team after the add/drop date	\$100 per team	League Bylaw III (Player, Team, and Club Eligibility) Section I	
Change a teams division after cutoff date (1 division impact)	\$100 per team	League Bylaw III (Player, Team, and Club Eligibility) Section I	
Change a teams division after cutoff date (2 division impact)	\$200 per team	League Bylaw III (Player, Team, and Club Eligibility) Section I	
<b>Roster / Game Penalties</b>			
No Roster	\$50	League Bylaw XXIII (Game Day Rosters)	No roster results in roster fine and game forfeiture
Forfeit	\$50	League Bylaw XXIII (Game Day Rosters)	If it is the Away team, Away team covers referee cost
Team No Show for a game (without notice)	\$100 per offending team (could be both)	League Bylaw VII (Standings & Championship) Division Champion	If game is to be made up: The no-show team covers the referee cost. If it was both, then the town split the referee cost.
Schedule change requests after the first 2 weeks	\$100 per change	League Bylaw XII (Postponements)	
Exceeding the Sportsmanship Score Differential	1st offense: Warning 2nd offense: \$150 & 1 game suspension 3rd Offense: \$150 & 8 game suspension	League Bylaw XXX (Sportsmanship) Section B: Goal Scoring	
Use of Ineligible Players	1st offense: \$50 per ineligible player 2nd offense: \$75 per ineligible player	League Bylaw XVIII (use of ineligible players)	
Use of Ineligible players on Approved roster that was validated by CMYSL Registrar	Town program may be charged up to \$200 per game and will cover the referee costs. (At CMYSL Presidents discretion)	League Bylaw XVIII (use of ineligible players)	If 2 or more game have been played, team is ineligible for playoffs. All played games will be deemed a forfeit
<b>Other</b>			
Protests - CMYSL First Appeal	\$100 (within 48 hours of incident)	League Bylaw VI (Protest and Appeals)	Decision by Sportsmanship & President within 24 hours \$50 is returned if appeal is successful
Protests - CMYSL Second Appeal	\$250 (within 24 hours of first appeal ruling)	League Bylaw VI (Protest and Appeals)	CMYSL Protest Review Board (72 - 96 hours) \$150 is returned if appeal is successful
Protests - State Appeal	\$TBD (within 48 hours of second appeal ruling)	State links for appeal process and procedures	<a href="https://www.mayouthsoccer.org/about/appeal-process/">https://www.mayouthsoccer.org/about/appeal-process/</a> <a href="https://www.mayouthsoccer.org/file.aspx?DocumentId=653">https://www.mayouthsoccer.org/file.aspx?DocumentId=653</a>
Gaffney Tournament - No show	\$100 per game	League Bylaw XXXI (For the good of the game)	
MTOC Tournament - No Show	TBD! This is set by the state. 2021 it was \$1,000	League Bylaw VII (Standings & Championship) League Champion	



# Rosters – Photos

- Photos should be passport like!
  - Head shot
  - Facing front
  - Plain background
  - No Hats
  - No Animals
  - No generic images





# Rosters – Coaching Compliance

- Coaches need 3 Items to be approved on a roster
  - CORI Approved, (CC)Concussion Certified, (ST) SafeSport Trained
- Links: <https://mayouthsoccer.org/resources/adult-registration/>
- Risk Status (CORI); CC, and ST

Team Details	Roster Admin	Roster Player	Ready for Activation?	Team Roster	Travel Roster	Tournament
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### Administrators


































<input type="checkbox"/> Select	PC	Admin ID	SEC #	Administrator	Name	Lic. Level	Risk Status	Expires	Roster Date
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0	76946-281575		Head Coach	Salvas, Danny		Approved	8/15/2024	03/14/2023
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0	72289-642909		Assistant Coach	Denomme, Timothy		NF Approved	8/15/2023	03/14/2023

Team Assignment Codes

2 administrators

# Rosters – Teams playing in PG group


- Players that are 18 or will turn 18 before the end of June 2025 are required to be (ST) SafeSport compliant
- Links:  
<https://mayouthsoccer.org/resources/adult-registration/>
- Risk Status will show ST on the players line

<input type="checkbox"/> Select	PC	Player ID	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 	0		11606-465246
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 	0		20851-443275
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  	0	 	96875-391676
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  	0	 	66914-803235
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   	0	 	55206-092991



# Rosters – Printing

- Login to your town's org
- Team Central //Team Directory
- Select the Go to Tournament & Schedule Apps
- Schedule/Game Scoring
- Print Roster



Personal Info	Applications	Details	Certificates	Licenses	<b>Teams</b>	Events	Referee Schedules
Teams	<b>Tournament &amp; Schedule Apps.</b>						
Team (and Team ID)	Tournament / Schedule	Status	Submitted On	View			
USA U14 Sexton D2 0M434-02TTB/8-0016	2022 Fall Season - MAYS	Final	08-06-2022	<a href="#">View Tourn. App.</a> <a href="#">Schedules/Game Scoring</a>			
					<a href="#">Show Past Apps</a>		



Game#	Group	Home Team	Score		Away Team	Score
719912 <a href="#">Print Roster</a>	A4 vs A6	Shrews BU14 D2 Remington		vs.	USA U14 Sexton D2	

# Roster!

Printed Date & Time:  
03/24/2023 06:31 PM

## 2023 Spring Season - MAYS Official Game Roster



Age Group: **Grade 3/4 Boys** Team Name: **USA S23 BU10 D1 - Mulryan** Team ID#: **0M434-02TTB/4-0025**  
Tournament **2023 Spring Season - MAYS** Flight **Boys 3/4 1A**  
Game # **5627** Date **05/13/2023** Time **1:00PM** Venue **Auburn High School** Field **U10**

Team Name	Reg Score	OT Score	PK Score	Coach or Manager Verify
(H) USA S23 BU10 D1 - Mulryan				
(A) GSC S23 BU10 D1 - Stifo				

Print Center Ref Name \_\_\_\_\_ AR1 \_\_\_\_\_ AR2 \_\_\_\_\_

Check-In Codes: R = Red Card Sit Out, + = Medical Sit Out ✓ = Ref Check-In Player Name = Inactive

Jer #	Last Name, First Name	Player ID #	Check-In	Goal	Card	Reason
1	2 Abu-Lail, Amir	61189-228740				
2	4 Brown, Brently	78222-082157				
3	8 Cronin, Jacob	45659-171170				
4	47 Donahue, Brogan	27542-785657				
5	20 McGrail, Conor	10909-316924				
6	21 Mulryan, Cody	25227-723020				
7	22 Mulryan, Cooper	94707-213451				
8	24 Pepin, James	19434-344148				
9	28 Rogers, Joseph	22538-479964				
10	76 Sharr, Andrew	54588-015559				
11	34 Spring, Dylan	82887-574810				
12	35 Walton, Makai	28754-941788				
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Card Codes: E=Ejection, M=Injury, C=Caution Card Reason Codes: 2C=Double Caution, IRB=Irresponsible Behavior, SFP=Serious Foul Play, VC=Violent Conduct, DGF=Denies Goal Foul, DGH=Denies Goal Handling, SPT=Spitting, FAL=Foul Abusive Language.

### Coaches and Administrators:

Admin	Name	Lic	Check-In	RM Status	Phone
1	HC Mulryan, John(46248-681924)			Approved	(508) 713-2212
2	AC Sharr, Andrew(15255-934376)			Approved	(508) 450-8747
3	AC Spring, Jessica(61462-568265)			Approved	(508) 326-7568
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5					
6					



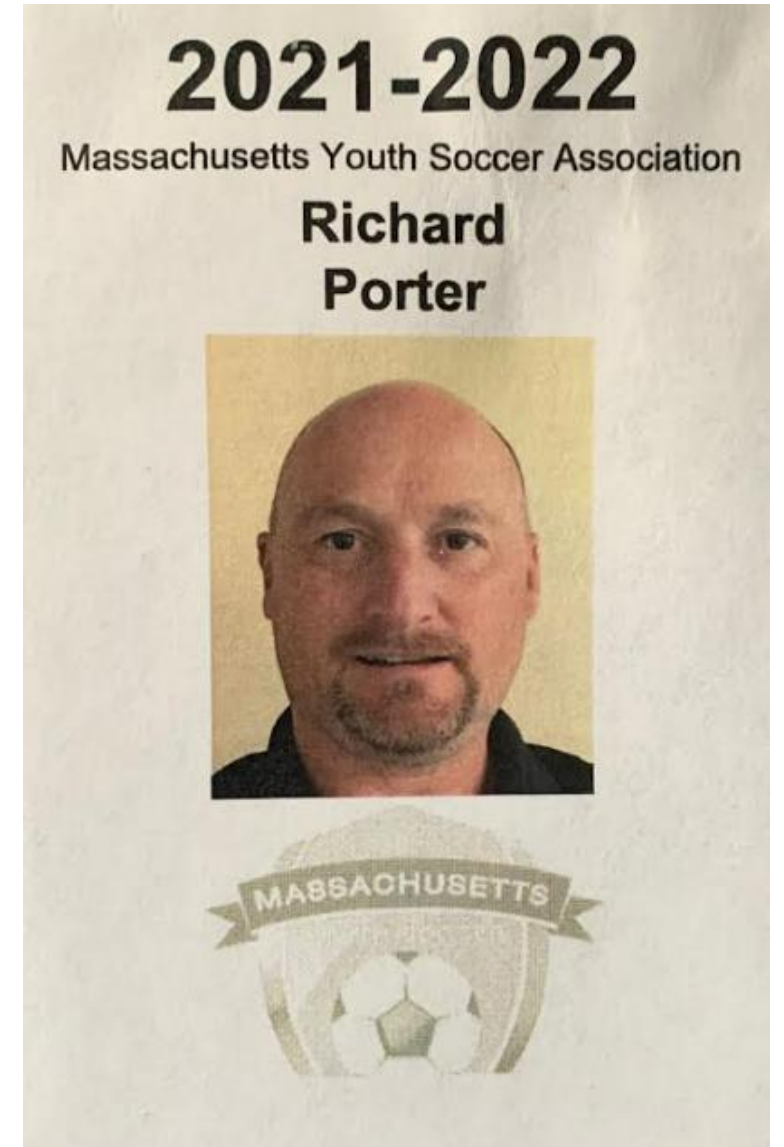


# Game Day – Check in

- Must have 2 paper copies to give to the referee
  - If 2 copies are in Color – Great!
  - If 2 copies are in B&W, must have a “Golden” color paper copy to use for check in
    - Can be laminated!!
    - MUST be in paper form
    - No Phone roster!
    - Referees have been instructed to accept this and give the golden copy back to you
- No roster – Team without roster forfeits game
  - Team has within the 15 minute grace period to produce a roster otherwise the referee will abandon the game and leave the field
    - Follows the Timing and Forfeiture within the Participation Policy

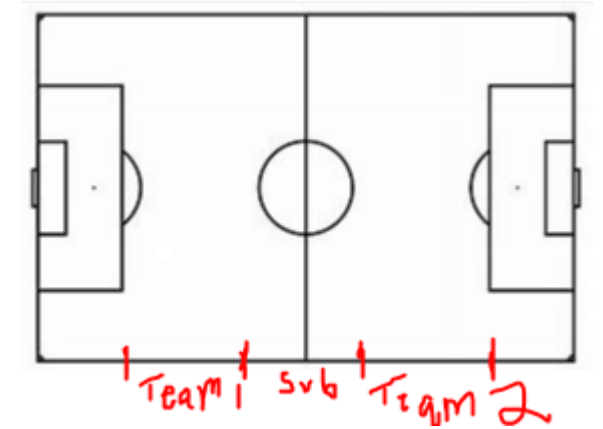
# Game Day – Check in Cont.

- All coaches must have their Coaching credentials
  - Picture being on the roster is not fully compliant
- Referee's have been instructed to ask for them
  - If you do not have yours at the game, you will be asked to move to the spectator's sideline



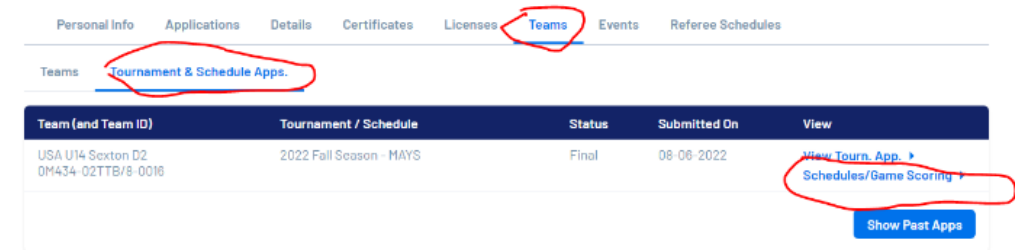
# Game Day – The Game

- Only 3 coaches on the sideline – regardless of how many coaches are approved on the roster
- All players must sub on/off from midfield
- Bench area: top of circle to top of Penalty Area
- If 1 or no subs – consider a hydration break
  - If one team asks for it – it will be granted
  - If the referee asks for it – please accept it without question
  - Clock runs during hydration breaks
- Make sure you get a copy of the other team's roster from the referee with the score and winner clearly identified
- U10 build out line – goal kicks only – use the half field line



# Rosters – Score Reporting

- Login to your town's org
- Team Central //Team Directory
- Select the Go TO MA Youth Soccer
- Teams & Tournament & Schedule Apps
- Schedules / Game Scoring
- It will bring up the list of games
- Choose the correct game, enter final score



Bracket - Saturday, September 17, 2022

Game#	Group	Home Team	Score	vs.	Away Team	Score
719905 <a href="#">Print Roster</a>	A6 vs A7	USA U14 Sexton D2		vs.	Worcester U14 B Fall 2022 Allebach/Williams D2	

[View Reschedule History](#)

Reschedule in progress.

# Game Day – Referee Evaluation

- Our Sportsmanship Director has created a feedback form
- This gives the coach a place to provide a game summary and constructive feedback on the referee
- If the referee shows up 5 minutes before the game, we want to know
  - Unless they contacted you stating that they would be coming from another game and will be getting there close to game time

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/08bb4adb3b784c0eb951dd70da297114>



# Codes of Conduct

- The state spent a lot of time and energy in updating safety items and codes of conduct for everyone's benefit
- 6 dedicated codes that became effective February 1, 2023
  - Zero Tolerance Policy
  - Player's Code of Conduct
  - Coach's Code of Conduct
  - Parent's / Guardian's / Spectator's Code of Conduct
  - Soccer Official's Code of Conduct
  - **NEW:** Language Incidents & Discriminatory Acts Response Guideline
- All of these can be found on the MA Youth website  
<https://mayouthsoccer.org/codes-of-conduct/>
- For the good of the game!
  - Tobacco use, smoking of any kind, electronic cigarettes, alcohol, and artificial noisemakers are prohibited at any MAYS/CMYSL game

# Derogatory Language and/or Discrimination

- Derogatory Language and or Discriminatory Actions have been on the rise between players
  - 9 page policy within Code of Conduct provides guidance for Coaches, Players, Spectators, and Referees
- Main points for this meeting
  - Referee's that hear/see the action are to follow IFAB laws of the game
  - Referee's that do not hear/see the action, but an action is reported to them:
    - Will pause the match at next appropriate stoppage (and stop the clock) to collect the facts
    - Send all players back to their bench
    - Call all the coaches together to explain what was reported as best they can
    - Coaches, we need your support to resolve the issue immediately
- If the coaches are uncooperative, or a resolution cannot be initiated/reached within 5 minutes, the referee could resume or abandon the match based on the safety of the environment

# Sportsmanship Card Reading

- New process being used in all leagues across the state
- Procedure:
  - After all pre-game activities are complete, both teams and the referee crew will line up at the Halfway Line of the Coaches Sideline.
  - Led by officials, all players and coaches will walk across the field and line up facing spectators, 5 yard from the sideline.
  - The Sportsmanship Statement will be read by a representative of the Home team to all coaches, players and spectators.
  - Following the reading of the script, players will perform a pre-game handshake. (Home team to walk down the line of Away Team). After the pre-game handshake, all players and coaches will return to benches and starting players will assume positions on the field of play.
  - No official post game handshake
- Statement to be read by a home team representative:
  - Mass Youth Soccer, Central MA Youth Soccer, and (state both home and away program names) share a mission to provide a safe, fun and inclusive soccer experience for all participants.
  - All participants deserve the right to play in an environment free from hostile and distracting behavior. Please do your part to create a positive soccer experience for all.
  - Poor sportsmanship will not be tolerated, and sanctions may be applied for violations of policy or codes of conduct.
  - It is the referee's discretion to terminate the game if any threatening or discriminatory statements are made or for anyone entering the field of play without permission.

# Respect the Call 531-9 Policy

- Effective March 1, 2025, US Soccer updated its Referee Abuse Policy with the goal to make youth and amateur matches safer, more fun, and more empowering for everyone involved
- [https://9tcud.r.ah.d.sendibm5.com/mk/cl/f/sh/1t6Af4OiGsE8LUNFkN0iMHoUeza6Sb/\\_g1KzJVenlvb](https://9tcud.r.ah.d.sendibm5.com/mk/cl/f/sh/1t6Af4OiGsE8LUNFkN0iMHoUeza6Sb/_g1KzJVenlvb)
- [Referee-Abuse-Policy-531-9-Penalty-Summary.pdf](#)
- MA Youth Soccer has also approved a spectator policy, which extends the same minimum penalties
- <https://9tcud.r.ah.d.sendibm5.com/mk/cl/f/sh/1t6Af4OiGsEagCZg8j6dWXsK2oYqAf/UmhB09FdFXaL>
- Link to a 2 minute video
- [mayouthsoccer.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/U.S.-Soccer-RAP-Video.mp4](https://mayouthsoccer.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/U.S.-Soccer-RAP-Video.mp4)



# PENALTY OVERVIEW

The Penalties Matrix defines consequences associated with physical and non-physical offenses against Referees.

## NON-PHYSICAL OFFENSES of gross misconduct, abuse, and / or assault

NON-PHYSICAL*	MIN. GAMES	TIME
Insulting, Belittling, Insinuating or Taunting Behavior Undermining Referee Authority	2	
Harassment, Intimidation, Retaliation, Abusive, or Threatening (Non Physical) Language	4	
Aggression, Attacking, Derogatory, Cyberbullying, Doxing or Threatening (Physical / Violence) Language	6	6 - 24 Months
Offensive or Discriminatory Act	10	12 - 24 Months

## PHYSICAL OFFENSES of gross misconduct, abuse, and / or assault

PHYSICAL*	MIN. GAMES	TIME
Minor or Slight Deliberate Touching	3	1 - 6 Months
Pushing, Grabbing, Pulling, Squeezing, Pinching, Lightly Slapping, Use of Object in Non Striking Manner, or Physical Property Damage	10	6 - 24 Months
Hitting, Punching, Elbowing, Kicking, Biting, Spiting, Choking, Tackling, Throwing or Use of Object or Any Part of Body (Forearm, Knee, Head) in a Striking Manner		12 Months - Lifetime

### KEY PENALTY FACTORS

- Single offenses are at **minimum the prescribed game penalty or time penalty** for non red zone offenses
- Penalties can be **both game and time depending on severity** / circumstances
- Second time offenders receive **double punishment**
- Third time offenders receive a **lifetime ban**
- More than one offense at the same time is **at least the punishment for the most serious offense**
- Offenses against minors are automatically subject to a **"minor multiplier"** resulting in **triple punishment**
- **One offense warning per league** to be managed by states and leagues collaboratively
- Game consequences are **inclusive of 1 game penalty for any red cards given**
- Optionality for **50% penalty for first offense from a minor**

Please follow your current reporting structure – updated reporting procedure will be a part of Phase 3.

(\* ) **Disclaimer:** These are only a few examples of abuse – other actions or statements may also fall into this category.



# Respect the Call 531-9 Policy

- Coaches, Players, and Spectators will be suspended for ALL instances for the number of games and/or time in ALL levels of play
  - If a coach plays in a Sunday morning league, coaches 2 town teams and 2 club teams
    - That coach is not allowed to participate in ANY of those events until suspension is completed
  - Example: Coach was found guilty of Non-Physical Intimidation
    - This carries a minimum 4 game suspension
      - No playing in your adult league for the 4 games
      - No coaching either town team#1 for the 4 games
      - No coaching either town team#2 for the 4 games
      - No coaching either club team#1 for the 4 games
      - No coaching either club team#2 for the 4 games
    - This 4-game suspension impacted 20 events for that coach!
- If this coach is also a badged referee
  - They are NOT allowed to officiate any matches during this suspended time

# Sportsmanship

- Goal Differential
  - 8 goal difference (or more) is a problem!!
  - We average ~12 of these a season
  - DON'T wait until it you have a 6-goal differential to change your playing style
- Applaud all good plays by both teams
- Don't yell across the field at players from a bad play
  - Pull the player aside once subbed and use as a teaching moment
    - What other options did he/she have?
- Coaches are responsible for Spectator comments
  - If you hear things coming from the spectator sideline – please fix it before it escalates

# Sportsmanship Cont.

- Incident Notifications
  - Will typically come from Sportsmanship Director or President
  - Data into the board might come from 3-4 sources
    - Referee report through Arbiter
    - SmartSheet form for the game summary / referee feedback
    - Email from coaches
    - Email from Town leadership
- Hopefully, we won't need to notify anyone regarding any of the updated Code of Conduct items

# Referee Check in

- NO jewelry, earrings (or tape over earrings), watches, bracelets, casts
  - NO EXCEPTIONS!!
  - Tell parents of players – no new ear piercings until the season ends
- Soft items in the hair (no barrettes, plastic clips, or beads)
- Hoodies can be worn under the uniform shirt – hood must be tucked inside the shirt
- No baseball/softball cleats. Can't have a cleat at the front of the boot and no metal cleats
- 2 rosters – all paper – nothing from phone
- All coaches MUST have and show you their CORI Credentials or they are not allowed on the sideline
- In the event of a substitute coach who is not on the primary roster
  - OK to accept proof of roster of the alternate team

# Referee - Captains Only Communications

- (NO action on this for this Spring)
- New idea coming from MA Youth Idea is that initiative is to focus on captain only communications with referees. Only the identified team captains may speak to the referees and only to respectfully request rule clarifications
- Coaches can only call out substitutes or urgent safety concerns
- Spectators should never have direct communication with the referee
- MA Youth thinking of using this at 11v11 level (not 9v9 or 7v7)
- Teams would need to identify 1-3 players, which can be easily identifiable to the referee, that would be selected by the coach & peers to be the captain



# No Referee

- If there is no referee:
  - The coaches of the two teams will appoint an acting referee and play the game
  - Each team to cover a half
  - If a mutually acceptable party cannot be found to act as referee, the game must be rescheduled
- In the event of a team being late and no referee, the other team must report it to the League for appropriate action

# Weather / Cancellations

- Minimum of 2 hours prior to game time to cancel games for bad weather
  - If within 2 hours, the referee makes the call at the field
    - Referee is paid for the game if he/she shows
- If not closed in the system, referee shows, but no teams show
  - Referee is paid for the game
  - Game is cancelled – no makeup unless there is an agreement on who is paying the additional referee fees
- SportConnect schedule is NOT directly connected to the Arbiter SW system that the Referee's are using
  - Text cancellations to 508-320-8061 & Email [president@cmysl.com](mailto:president@cmysl.com)
    - If all games: Please provide field(s) name and state all games
    - If multiple game after a certain time: Please provide field(s) name and games after X time
    - If 1 game: Please provide field name and game number

# Postponements / Rescheduling

- We've relaxed the rule on postponements a bit
  - They can be done throughout the season
- The only legitimate reasons for postponing a game are:
  - Bad weather at the site of the game
  - Vandalism to the field or field is unavailable. It is suggested that teams swap fields to play the game
  - School event or religious event which prevents a team from fielding the minimum number of required players
- Approved reschedule request submitted to the MAYS President & Referee Assignor by the Club/Town Rep, 96 hours or greater, prior to the game date can be done at no charge.
- Reschedule requests within the 96 hours of the game are charged \$100 per change. (The reschedule & charge is under the discretion of the MAYS Board)
- Please don't break up a 3 game set of games because your best player is missing!

# Postponements / Rescheduling (Cont.)

- Rescheduling:
  - Home team initiates the reschedule
  - Go into your schedule Information
  - Scroll down the page to get the appropriate game #
  - Select the Reschedule Game link to kick off the process
- Full details on the process is listed on the [www.cmysl.com](http://www.cmysl.com) website
  - Under Coach Info & Rescheduling
- Once game is rescheduled – Please email [president@maysl.com](mailto:president@maysl.com)
  - We need to make sure that Arbiter (Referee system) gets the same update

# Postponements / Rescheduling (Cont.)

- Don't have enough players are decide to just forfeit the match
  - In our Participation policies:
    - Forfeited games due to no shows and/or communications of forfeits within 24 hours of scheduled games, forfeiting team will be fined \$100 and the cost of the referee fee(s) of that game
    - Game will be logged as a forfeit
    - If you are the away team, you also cover the cost of the referee (if the referee was paid)

# Key Dates

- Season start 4/5 and/or 4/6
- 4/30 – All towns should process their final insurance filing with MA Youth
- 5/11: Roster Freeze – no exceptions
  - If a playoff eligible team can't support MTOC, they need to let us know by this date. (Team will not be part of the playoffs)
- Playoff eligible team must have games completed by 6/8
- 6/14 & 6/15 – Playoff games start
- 6/21 & 6/22 - Playoff Finals
- 6/27 – 6/29 MTOC!

# Playoffs

- We will be have the playoff bracket format announced at the time of the roster freeze
- Games to be played on Saturday's and Sunday's over 2 weekends
  - June 14/15 & 21/22
- We will be looking for fields to use with availability blocks to accommodate 3-4 games
- If you can volunteer a field location, please send an email to [president@maysl.com](mailto:president@maysl.com)



# CMYSL Playoff Division Format

- **G12 D1: 3 teams** (merged in D2)
  - All 3
- **G12 D2: 22 teams** (across 3 flights)
  - 12 Teams (top 3 from each, next best 3)
- **G14 D1: 2 teams** (merged in D2)
- **G14 D2: 10 teams** (across 2 flights)
  - 6 Teams (top 2 from each, next best 2)
- **G16 : 6 teams** (Top 3)
- **G19: 7 teams** (Top 3)

- **B12 D1: 14 teams** (across 2 flights)
  - 8 teams (top 3 from each, next best 2)
- **B12 D2: 23 teams** (across 3 flights)
  - 12 Teams (top 3 from each, next best 3)
- **B14 D1: 3 teams** (merged in D2)
  - All 3
- **B14 D2: 16 teams** (across 3 flights)
  - 8 Teams (top 2 from each, next best 2)
- **B16 D1 : 2 teams** (merged in D2)
- **B16 D2: 10 teams**
  - 6 Teams (top 2 from each, next best 2)
- **B19: 6 teams** (Top 3)

Minimum for MTOC Wildcard Eligibility is 4 teams in a playoff format. We have 4 groups that are Wildcard ineligible.

# MTOC

- Guaranteed 3 games for initial round robin
  - 6/27 & 6/28
- If you make the playoff round, those games will be on 6/29
- Any team that is listed to go to MTOC is responsible for any/all fines incurred (Including not showing up for a game)
- We are responsible for Field Marshall's
  - Watch over fields to keep the peace! (Parents, coaches, players, etc..)
  - Need ~12 a day
- I'm looking for 1 volunteer from every town program to support 1 day
  - Please email [president@cmysl.com](mailto:president@cmysl.com) with interested party

# CMYSL Resource items

- We have a website with a lot of data [CMYSL.COM](http://CMYSL.COM)
- Dedicated section for “Coach Resources”
  - Adult Registration Process
  - Game Feedback Form
  - Rescheduling Games
  - Roster, Schedule, and Game Scoring
- Key policy items are in the “About Us”
  - Competition Policy
  - Sportsmanship Policy
  - Playing Fact Sheet

Thank You!