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Regional Commissioner's Letter

Welcome everyone to AYSO Region 47. We abide by the AYSO philosophies of Balanced Teams, Everyone Plays, Positive Coaching, Open Registration and Good Sportsmanship. Our policies and procedures are established along with National AYSO guidelines to ensure that all children can play soccer in a Fun, Fair and Safe Environment. We enforce the AYSO Kids' Zone program at our game venues. This means smoking, profanity, and alcohol are prohibited within the vicinity of kids playing soccer.

You represent over 3,000 players that participate in our Fall and/or Spring programs. Your Riverside Region 47 continues to be recognized as one of the best AYSO programs in the nation. As one of the ten largest AYSO regions in the country, we are a rare combination of being among the biggest and the best in AYSO. The Regional Board devote countless hours before and during the season to create a great program for your children. Our coaches, assistant coaches, team parents and other volunteers are trained and certified and are second to none.

We are grateful for the continuing support of the City of Riverside Park and Recreation Department and Riverside Public Utilities. Thanks to their support, we have the use of 56 acres of land at the Ab Brown Soccer Complex as well as lighted practice areas in City of Riverside parks. While AYSO must pay for all of the maintenance of the Ab Brown Soccer Complex and fund many of its improvements, without the support from these organizations, we would not enjoy the best AYSO soccer facility in Southern California.

The foundation of any AYSO program is the spirit of volunteerism. Everyone in Region 47, from the person emptying the trash cans to the Snack Bar worker to the referee to the coach to the Regional Board member, is a volunteer. We have jobs, we have families, we have many other demands on our time, but we make time to help the kids – including your kids. We volunteer because we care.

Take a few minutes to become more familiar with Region 47 and our Red Book. If you can't find the answer in the Red Book, please check our website at ayso47.org or talk to any of the members of the Regional Board – they're in the red shirts! We are here for you and your children.

Debra Johnson

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Volunteer Awards

Region 47 Regional Commissioners

John Emberson	September 1974 - March 1975
Richard Chase	April 1975 - April 1977
R.G. Simmons	April 1977 - April 1978
Joe Deledonne	April 1978 - March 1980
Robb Murphy	March 1980 - November 1982
Dave Decker	November 1982 - March 1984
Glen Blanton	March 1984 - November 1986
Bill Eaton	November 1986 - November 1990
Jim Reeves	November 1990 - September 1994
Mike Murphy	September 1994 - May 1996
Mike Keesler	May 1996 - September 1997
Debbie Blake	September 1997 - March 1999
Jim Clark	March 1999 - June 2001
Allen Merrill	June 2001– February 2006
Richard Garcia	February 2006 — May 2009
Fred Brayton	May 2009 — May 2010
Debra Johnson	May 2010—current

Pete King Cup and Commissioners' Award

Region 47 will always benefit from the vision and dedication of the thousands of Regional Board members, coaches, assistant coaches, referees, team parents and other volunteers that created and nurtured our youth soccer program over the past 26 years. Some of these exceptional volunteers include:

Pete King Cup	Commissioners' Award
The inscription on the Pete King Cup reads: "The Pete King Cup is awarded to a person who has unselfishly dedicated himself or herself to helping everyone enjoy the game of soccer, in the spirit of one of the greatest gentlemen of the game (on loan to Riverside soccer from Liverpool, England), Mr. Pete King."	The Commissioner's Award was introduced in 1985, a year after the Pete King Cup. The Commissioner's Award is presented to a volunteer that has made a very significant, distinguished, long-term contribution to the players in Region 47. Many of the recipients of the Commissioner's Award have been referees. All Commissioners' Award recipients have demonstrated a wide variety of involvement in Region 47's program.

	Pete King Cup	Commissioner's Award
1983-1984	Rickie Alaimo	
1984-1985	Glen Blanton	Mike Premble
1985-1986	Bill Eaton	Roger Atkinson
1986-1987	Jerry Dunbar	Valerie Knutson
1987-1988	Frank Avella	Carl Myers
1988-1989	Recie Wright	Tom Payne
1989-1990	Rob Murphy	Pete King
1990-1991	Carl Myers	Lynda Guthrie
1991-1992	Veronica Mellough	Steve Brown
1992-1993	Mike Keesler	Carl Helwig
1993-1994	Debbie Blake	Jeff and Cathy Renshaw
1994-1995	Sheryl Beckman	Marty Read
1995-1996	Mike Murphy	Jim Clark
1996-1997	Mike and Stacy Harp	Phil Dempsen / Johnny de la Rosa
1997-1998	Audrey Munro	Allen Merrill
1998-1999	Linda Figueroa	Rich Richins
1999-2000	Richard Garcia	Penny Hallgren
2000-2001	Fred Brayton	Sherry Mata
2001-2002	Phil Dempsen	Claudia Clark
2002-2003	John Mendolia	Paul Hawkins
2003-2004	Jim Clark	Steve Moise / Ken Goerlich
2004-2005	Doug Beeman	Debra Johnson / Tony Smith
2005-2006	Paul Hawkins	Danielle Wall

	Pete King Cup	Commissioner's Award
2006-2007	Sean Wall	Kim Miller/Manuel Palencia
2007-2008	James Armstrong	Jim Sandoval / Roy Reed
2008-2009	Cathy Crowder	Larry Wilkinson
2009-2010	Chris Hart	Rick & Jenny Lozano
2010-2011	Brad Crowder	Marty Reed

2012/2013 Competition Calendar*

Day		Date	Activity	Person Responsible
Monday	May	5/7/2012	Board Meeting	RC
Saturday	May	5/19/2012	Picture Day Make-Up 9-11am	Picture Day Coord
Saturday	May	5/19/2012	Fall Registration @ Fields 9-12	
Saturday	June	6/2/2012	Fall Registration @ fields 9-12	Registrar
Wednesday	June	6/2/2012	EXTRA Draft	EXTRA Administrator
Wednesday	June	6/6/2012	Fall Registration - Orangecrest Community Center 6-8 pm	Registrar
Saturday	Jume	6/9/2012	Fall Registration @ fields 9-12	Registrar
Saturday	June	6/9/2012	EXTRA Registration 2 pm	Registrar
Monday	July	7/9/2012	Board Meeting	RC
Saturday	June	7/14/2012	Registration Event (Late signups) - UNANNOUNCED	Registrar
Saturday	June	7/14/2012	Scholarships Assigned	Registrar
Saturday	June	7/14/2012	Registration Event (Late signups-U16/19)	Registrar
Wednesday	July	7/16/2012	Teams per division for Fall Decided	RC/Chief Coordinator
Tuesday	July	7/18/2012	Coordinators Meeting	Chief Coordinator
Tuesday	July	7/26/2012	Coach Lists completed	Coordinators
Wednesday	Aug	8/1/2012	Practices begin	Coaches
Thursday	Aug	8/2/2012	Area 1R U16-U19 Coaches Meeting	Chief Coordinator
Tuesday	Aug	8/5/2012	Team Formation completed	Coordinators
Monday	Aug	8/5/2012	Board Meeting	All Board
Monday	Aug	8/6/2012	Board Meeting	RC
Tuesday	Aug	8/7/2012	Coach Meeting U6- U8	Coach Administrator
Thursday	Aug	8/9/2012	Coach Meeting U10-U19	Coach Administrator
Thursday	Aug	8/9/2012	U16U19 Coach Meeting & Uniform Distribution	Coach Admin/Purchaser
Saturday	Aug	8/11/2012	Coach Clinic	Coach Administrator
Monday	Aug	8/13/2012	Area 1R U16-U19 Rosters Due	Chief Coordinator/Registrar
Monday	Aug	8/20/2012	Area 1R U16-U19 League Begins	Chief Coordinator
Tuesday	Aug	8/21/2012	Team Parent Meeting U6-U8 / Uniform Distribution	Volunteer Coord./Purchaser
Wednesday	Aug	8/22/2012	U5 Parent Meeting	Coach Administrator
Thursday	Sept	8/23/2012	Team Parent Meeting U10-U19 / Uniform Distribution U10-U14)	Volunteer Coord./Purchaser
Saturday	Aug	8/25/2012	U12 Coachinfg Clinic 9-2pm	Coach Administrator
Saturday	Sept	9/1/2012	Regional Referee Course 8-5	Referee Instructor
Monday	Sept	9/3/2012	Labor Day	All Board

2012/2013 Competition Calendar*

Day		Date	Activity	Person Responsible
Saturday	Sept	9/8/2012	Season begins	All board
Monday	Sept	9/10/2012	Board Meeting	all Board
Saturday	Sept	9/29/2012	AYSO Day - pictures	Vendor Coord.
Saturday	Sept	9/29/2012	Regional Referee Course 8-5	Referee Instructor
Saturday	Oct	10/6/2012	Select Coach Applications Due	Select Administrator
Monday	Oct	10/7/2012	Board Meeting	All board
Saturday	Oct	10/13/2012	Picture Makeup Day	Vendor Coord.
Saturday	Nov	10/13/2012	Regional Tournament begins	Tournament Director
Saturday	Nov	11/3/2012	Spring Registration @ fields 9-12	Registrar
Monday	Nov	11/5/2012	Board Meeting	RC
Monday	Nov	11/5/2012	Select Coach Announcement	Select Administrator
Saturday	Nov	11/10/2012	Spring Registration @ fields 9-12	Registrar
Saturday	Nov	11/12/2012	Select Team Formation	Select Administrator
Saturday	Nov	11/17/2012	Fall Season ends U5-U8	All board
Saturday	Nov	11/19/2012	Spring Select Coaches Meeting	Area/Select Admin
Saturday-Sunday	Dec	12/1/2012	Regional Tournament Playoffs U10-U14	Tournament Director
Saturday-Sunday	Dec	12/8/2012	SectionTournament	Section Staff
Monday	Jan	1/7/2013	Board Meeting	RC
Saturday/Monday	Jan	1/12/2013	Pony Express Tournament	Various
Thursday	Jan	1/19/2013	Late Registrations	Registrar
Friday	Jan	1/19/2013	Scholarships Assigned	Registrar
Monday	Oct	1015/12	Select Coach Interviews	Select Administrator
Saturday	Nov	11/2 & 9/2012	EXTRA Tryouts	EXTRA Administrator
Wednesday	Nov	11/7 - 1/30	Locomotion Planning Meetings / Committees	Locomotion Director
Sunday	May	5/11 & 5/18	EXTRA Tryouts 6-8pm	EXTRA Administrator
Monday-Friday	July	7/30 - 8/3	Division Drafts (U12-U19)	Chief Coordinator
	April	April 27-30, 2012	EXTRA Coach Interviews	EXTRA Administrator

* These dates are subject to change, please check the website for up to date information.

2012 Volunteer Handbook Information

AYSO REGION 47

AYSO is an all volunteer organization. We need your help to make this season successful for the KIDS! We know you are busy, we're parents too — we get it, the fact remains, we are an all volunteer organization, no one is paid– and no one has unlimited time. Someone needs to do something about this, and that someone is you! The only way to keep it running is for you, personally, to help. You do not need experience, we will train you and give you the tools and support you need. Invest in this experience for your kids. Ask how to be a VOLUNTEER now.

All Participants in Region 47 AYSO are expected to promote and adhere to these basic philosophies of AYSO, and to have fun! Coaching and referee programs including quality delivery systems quality administrative and operating systems with a support network strong financial position special network for volunteers, supported by a national staff Program research and development.

The AYSO Mission is to develop and deliver quality youth soccer programs which promote a fun, family environment based on the AYSO philosophies:

> **Everyone Plays** - Our Region's goal is for kids to play soccer—so we mandate that every player on every team must play at least half of every game.
>
> **Balanced Teams** - Each year we form new teams as evenly balanced as possible—because it is fair and more fun when teams of equal ability play.
>
> **Open Registration** - Our program is open to all children between 4 and 18 years of age who want to register and play soccer. Interest and enthusiasm are the only criteria for playing.
>
> **Positive Coaching** - Encouragement of player effort provides for greater enjoyment by the players and ultimately leads to better-skilled and better-motivated players.
>
> **Good Sportsmanship** - We strive to create a safe, fair, fun and positive environment based on mutual respect, rather than a win-at-all-costs attitude, and our program is designed to instill good sportsmanship in every facet of AYSO.
>
> **Player Development** - We believe that all players should be able to develop their soccer skills and knowledge to the best of their abilities, both individually and as members of a team, in order to maximize their enjoyment of the game.

The core values guiding AYSO are:
Fun for all! Education for all! Ethics for all! Accessible to all! The mission is accomplished by our region by providing these essential services:

Facility Use Rules

All participants are expected to observe these rules at all times for the safety, and convenience of all visitors to the Ab Brown Sports Complex

Rules for Your Stay at Ab Brown Soccer Complex:

1. No Pets; **Absolutely no dogs allowed.**
2. Please pick up all trash around your area after your game.
3. Parking lot speed limit is 10 MPH.
4. No smoking is allowed at ABSC.
5. **No open fires, BBQ's, propane heaters or similar items are allowed.**
6. Park in designated areas only. Improperly parked vehicles may be towed.
7. No overnight RV Parking.
8. No alcoholic beverages are allowed.
9. No glass bottles or containers.
10. Climbing on trees, goalposts, fences, structures etc. is not allowed.
11. No selling, soliciting or distribution of advertisements without prior written approval.
12. No vehicles of any kind (including bicycles) allowed on the fields or any grass area.
13. Tents and covers at edge of field complex only – none next to or between fields.
14. Operators of golf carts must be at least 18 years of age with valid drivers and liability insurance. Golf carts allowed on Complex grounds with specific permission only.
15. **Recruiting of any AYSO players by ANY Club entities while at Ab Brown Sports Complex is strictly prohibited and future use of the complex will be in jeopardy if recruiting is reported.**

ALERT!

You are entering an

By entering this kids zone, you agree to the following:

- Kids are #1
- Fun – not winning – is everything
- Fans only cheer, and only coaches coach
- No yelling in anger
- Respect the volunteer referees
- No swearing
- No smoking
- Leave no trash behind
- Set a proper example for our children

If you can agree to the above, we welcome you.

IF NOT, WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE LEAVE NOW.

AYSO – it's for the kids!

¡ALERTA!

Esta usted entrando a la

Al entrar a esta zona de niños, usted se compromete a hacer lo siguiente:

- Los niños son # 1
- Divertirse es todo – no el ganar
- Espectadores apoyan, directores técnicos dirigen
- No gritar por estar enojado
- Respetar a los árbitros voluntarios
- No groserías
- No fumar
- No dejar basura
- Ser un buen ejemplo para nuestros hijos

Si usted se compromete a lo antes mencionado, Bienvenido.

Y SI NO, POR FAVOR RETÍRESE.

AYSO – ¡es para los niños!

Kids Zone®

Unique Program Promotes Sideline Cheerleaders

In AYSO, fans are asked to be cheerleaders, not critics. Kids Zone® is a unique program that includes a parent pledge that moms and dads sign to commit to positive, encouraging behavior when they're watching the games. It also includes signs, buttons and other game-day reminders.

Soccer is a player's game. Players learn the game by trying new things, making mistakes and trying again. Sideline critics who scream instructions at players or criticize referees or coaches just slow down the learning process and make it less fun for everyone.

Negative, even violent, behavior of players, coaches and parents involved in youth sports has become almost epidemic in the U.S. Kids Zone® is a proactive effort to counteract this trend.

As part of AYSO's education agenda, Kids Zone® is a dynamic program aimed toward producing a thoroughly positive experience for everyone involved in youth soccer. To execute this program, four basic elements are involved:

- **The Button.** This is a pin-on button with the Kids Zone® logo. This is worn by program supporters at games and serves as a reminder of the importance of positive sideline behavior.
- **The Sign.** A large sideline poster, which lists positive behavior standards, designed to be posted at the entrance of participating fields. Parents and spectators who will abide by these standards are welcome -- all others are not.
- **The Pledge.** AYSO requests all parents to sign a pledge that holds them to the Kids Zone® standards.
- **The Video.** This is a 12-minute documentary that introduces AYSO's principles and its Kids Zone® action plan to new participants. Viewers will also watch a parent intervene to change another parent's negative behavior. In order to make this program work, everyone must help!

Parents signed these at the time of registration for each child.

Kids Zone Parent Pledge

Please read, initial each item, sign at the end, and return to the coach or the appropriate AYSO volunteer.

1. I pledge to be on time or early when bringing my child to his/her practices and games. I understand that it may be uncomfortable for my child to be late to a game or practice and that he/she is subject to physical risk if not provided with adequate time to warm up. I understand that I am encouraged to stay during practices and games, but if I do not, I will be there when he/she is finished. Being punctual shows respect for the coach, who has other time commitments, and it tells my child that he/she is my top priority. _____

2. I understand that the top three reasons kids play sports are to have fun, make new friends and learn new skills. I understand that the game is for the kids, and I will encourage my child to have fun and keep sport in its proper perspective. I understand that athletes do their best when they are emotionally healthy, so I will be positive and supportive. _____

3. I will redefine what it is to be a "Winner" in my conversations with my child. Winners are people who make the maximum effort, continue to learn and improve, and do not let mistakes, or fear of making mistakes, discourage them. I understand that mistakes are an inevitable part of any game and that people learn from their mistakes. I understand that all children are born with different abilities and that the true measure of success is not how my child compares to others, but how he/she is doing in comparison to his/her best self. _____

4. I will "Honor the Game." I understand the importance of setting a good example of sportsmanship for my child. I will show respect for all involved in the game including coaches, players, opponents, opposing fans, and referees. I understand that officials, coaches, and players make mistakes. If the referee makes a call I do not agree with, I will refrain from questioning, insulting or making personal attacks against him or her. _____

5. I understand that games can be exciting for my child as he/she deals with the fast-paced action of the game, responds to opponents, referees, teammates, and listens to coaches. I will not yell out instructions. During the game, I will make only sportsmanlike comments that encourage my child and other players on both teams. _____

6. I will not make negative comments about the game, coaches, referees or teammates in my child's presence. This sets a bad example, which can negatively influence my child's motivation and overall experience. I agree to act in a sportsmanlike manner and make every effort to foster a friendly and nonviolent atmosphere. _____

How AYSO Works

Local programs supported by geographic areas all functioning together to make the best possible youth soccer program for your community!

Regions: The local community soccer programs and the most important part of AYSO. Where kids, coaches, and parents smile and have the most fun... by playing AYSO soccer on their neighborhood fields!

Areas: Comprised of multiple Regions, AYSO has close to 100 Areas nationwide. Area Directors are trained to create staffs that support and mentor each of its Regions.

Sections: Comprised of multiple Areas, AYSO has 14 Sections nationwide. Sections provide volunteer training and support at the highest level to all of its local Areas and Regions.

Special Directors: The chairpersons of AYSO's Referee, Coaching, Management and Tournament National Advisory Commissions help provide discipline specific advice to the National Board of Directors and the National President.

National Board of Directors: Eleven elected volunteers, plus two independent board members who are appointed, are the leaders of the largest single nonprofit youth sports organization in the United States of America!

National Office: Home to AYSO's national staff, the National Office hosts training, offers professional assistance, organizational tools and support to every volunteer at all levels of the organization!

Becoming A Volunteer

It's About What's Good For The Kids

AYSO is a volunteer-run organization. Coaches, referees and administrators are volunteers. Over 220,000 parents, neighbors, relatives and friends lend their time and talents so that each child gets a terrific AYSO experience.

AYSO's volunteer foundation ensures that it's all about what's good for kids. It also makes AYSO very affordable. AYSO operates in a business manner, but volunteers ensure its "profits" are happy, healthy kids playing a sport they can enjoy for life.

AYSO has developed special training that helps parents who may have little or no soccer experience quickly gain the age-appropriate knowledge and skills they need to be effective coaches and referees. It also has unique administrative and management training. This ensures that each community program:

- Abides by the AYSO philosophies
- Offers a great AYSO experience
- Continues to grow, offering the AYSO opportunity to more children

It only takes a few hours to become qualified as an introductory-level coach or referee. But if you're not able to commit even that much time, there are many small jobs you can help with. Even a couple of hours each season are an important contribution to your team and Region!

AYSO training doesn't stop as long as you're having fun. Referees, coaches and administrators have clinics, workshops and other advanced training available to advance their skills.

Dedication - Being An AYSO Volunteer

What are volunteers?

People who give freely of their time and talent to a worthwhile group or cause. A volunteer is someone who believes that people make a difference and is willing to prove it.

What is an AYSO volunteer?

A coach, a referee, a registrar, a fundraiser, a field marker, a publicist, a treasurer - many people, all contributing their time and efforts to make AYSO a great program for our soccer-playing kids.

Why does AYSO need volunteers?

AYSO needs volunteers because people power runs AYSO. Volunteers strengthen AYSO by giving their time and energy, their ideas and ideals. Volunteers make AYSO happen.

Who can be an AYSO volunteer?

Almost anyone can volunteer. Moms, dads, sisters, brothers, grandparents, even friends. We need women and men, young, middle-aged and "young at heart" folks. AYSO wants volunteers who want to help make our soccer program a fun experience for kids.

Everyone plays in AYSO, and everyone has something special to contribute to the program.

- They contribute a special skill or ability.
- They contribute their time.
- They contribute their energy.
- They contribute themselves.

What do AYSO volunteers do?

- They do what is needed to make the program work.
- They coach teams and stuff envelopes.
- They referee games and write checks.
- They line the field and work in the snack bar.
- They put up goals and take down nets.
- They take registrations and raise funds.
- They bandage knees and schedule games.
- They put up posters and take pictures.
- They buy equipment and go to meetings.
- They call meetings and run computer programs.
- They make decisions and make a difference.

How do AYSO volunteers help themselves?

AYSO volunteers gain satisfaction and growth from their experiences. They make new friends. They learn new skills. They develop creativity. They investigate new careers. They enrich their lives.

How do I become an AYSO volunteer?

It's easy. Talk to your child's coach, call your Regional Commissioner or any of the Region's board members. They will be most helpful - and happy - to find the right job for you.

A brief and general overview of the duties and responsibilities of the seven mandatory board positions follows.

- **Regional Commissioner:**

The AYSO volunteer position of Regional Commissioner is intended to have the responsibility and the authority to manage the day-to-day business of the Region, within the framework of the AYSO operating regulations.

- **Regional Treasurer:**

The AYSO volunteer position of Regional Treasurer is intended to have custody of all funds and securities, evidence of indebtedness and other valuable documents, and shall deposit funds and securities in the name and to the credit of the Region in a bank or depository.

- **Regional Risk Management/Safety Director**:

The AYSO volunteer position of Regional Risk Management/Safety Director is intended to be responsible for all aspects of the Region's safety and oversee the equipment, nets, fields, and clean-up for fields of the Region.

- **Regional Coach Administrator**:

The AYSO volunteer position of Regional Coach Administrator is intended to administer a quality coaching program within the Region.

- **Regional Referee Administrator**:

The AYSO volunteer position of Regional Referee Administrator is intended to implement, monitor, and maintain the AYSO National Referee Program including program delivery, staff development, communication, and coordination at the Regional level.

- **Regional Registrar:**

The AYSO volunteer position of Regional Registrar is responsible for planning and implementation of the annual registration of all players and, if CVPA trained and certified, of volunteers.

- **Regional Child and Volunteer Protection Advocate (CVPA):**

The AYSO volunteer position of Regional Child and Volunteer Protection Advocate is responsible for planning and implementation of the annual registration of all volunteers and to oversee the child and volunteer protection program in the Region in accordance with the AYSO Safe Haven program.

Cheering On Your Child – On and Off the Field

While winning the game is the end-goal of playing sports, parents can easily lose sight of the important steps to success that make that finish possible. Have you noticed that your kids perform better when they receive positive reinforcement and praise? The Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA) highlights this method of encouragement as filling up your child's "Emotional Tank" (E-Tank). PCA Board Member, Cuties spokes-mom, and Soccer Hall of Famer Joy Fawcett explains that the E-Tank concept is like the gas tank in a car. The fuller our tanks are, the longer we can go. And, kids perform better when their e-tank is full and lower when it is empty.

Kids with full "e-tanks" are more coachable. They are more open to your suggestions. They also tend to be more optimistic, deal better with adversity and are more capable of changing their behavior in response to their surroundings. When "e-tanks" are low, kids tend to be pessimistic, give up more easily and become defensive in the face of criticism. Sounds great, but you are probably wondering , how do I fill my child's "e-tank"?

Here are a couple ways you can fill your child's "e-tank":

- **Listening** – it is one of the most powerful tank-fillers… adopt a "tell-me-more" attitude. Encourage your child to express themselves.
- **Be truthful & specific with praise** – it is fine to say "good job", but it so much better when you are specific… "Your effort today was great especially when you ran back on defense to block the shot." This shows that you care and are paying attention. Both of which are big e-tank fillers. The same idea can be applied to other areas of your children's lives, such as preparing for a science test: "A better science test score! I noticed that you studied hard, and it paid off."
- **Non-verbal Actions:** smiling, clapping, thumbs up or a high five

And just as some actions are fillers, some can be drainers… be careful to avoid them. One common example is just by ignoring and not listening to your child. Another common one is sarcasm. Criticizing and making corrections during or after the game are drainers. Kids know when they make mistakes or do not perform well; they don't want to hear about it again. Also, non-verbal actions like hands on hips, frowns, eye rolling, crossed arms and heavy sighs are all tank drainers.

Practice filling your kid's e-tank and see what happens. Try doing it for a spouse or co-worker. It takes practice but it feels great once you have mastered it.

Tools for Parents

The following ideas may be helpful for being a supportive AYSO parent.

Conversations before the games
• Tell your child you love him/her regardless of the outcome.
• Tell him or her "Go for it, give it your best shot and have fun!"

During the game
• Understand that kids are over-stimulated during games. The coach may be giving instructions, opponents and teammates are talking, the crowd is cheering, and the referee is blowing the whistle. To a youth sports participant, the atmosphere is much like that of a fighter pilot with enemy jets racing all around. Do not yell instructions to your child during the game because it only adds to the confusion. Sometimes the best thing you can do as a parent is to be quiet.
• Cheer and acknowledge good plays by both teams.

After the game
• Thank the officials for doing a difficult job.
• Thank the coaches for their efforts. After a difficult loss, recognize that it is not a good time to question a coach.
• Thank your opponents for a good game.
• Congratulate your child and his or her teammates for their efforts.
• Compliment individual players on good plays they made in the game.

During the car ride home
• Point out a good play your child made during the game.
• Avoid criticizing or correcting mistakes.
• Ask open-ended questions about how the game was played rather than how many points were scored. Here are examples of open-ended questions that might apply:
¸ Did you have fun?
¸ Did you give it your best effort?
¸ What did you learn from the game?
¸ What was the best play you made and how did it feel?
¸ Did you bounce back from your mistakes?

AYSO recognizes the efforts and advancements made by the Positive Coaching Alliance in Honor of the Game. The Kids Zone Parent Pledge is adapted from Positive Coaching Alliance's Parent Pledge

Code of Conduct

As a parent, you play a special role in contributing to the needs and development of youngsters.

Through your encouragement and good example, you can help all the boys and girls learn good sportsmanship and self-discipline. In AYSO, young people learn to work together, to sacrifice for the good of the team, to enjoy winning and deal appropriately with defeat - all while becoming physically fit and healthy. Best of all, they have fun.

Support Your Child
Supporting your child by giving encouragement and showing interest in their team is very important.

Help your child work toward skill improvement and good sportsmanship in every game. Teach your child that hard work and an honest effort are often more important than victory - that way your child will always be a winner despite the outcome of the game!

Always Be Positive
Parents serve as role models for their children. Be aware of this fact and work to be a positive role model. Applaud good plays by your child's team as well as good plays by the opposing team.

Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from youth sports.
Remember: Your Child Wants To Have Fun

Remember that your child is the one playing soccer, not you. It's very important to let children establish their own goals - to play the game for themselves. Take care not to impose your own standards and goals on them.

Don't put too heavy a burden on your child to win games. Surveys reveal that 72% of children would rather play for a losing team than ride the bench for a winning team.

Children play for the fun of playing.

Reinforce Positive Behavior
Positive reinforcement is the best way to help your child achieve their goals and overcome their natural fear of failure. Nobody likes to make mistakes. If your child does make one, remember it's all part of learning, so encourage your child's efforts and point out the good things your child accomplished.

Don't Be A Sideline Coach Or Referee
AYSO coaches and referees are usually parents just like you. They volunteer their time to help make your child's soccer experience a positive one. They need your support, too.
That means refrain from coaching or refereeing from the sidelines. In a volunteer organization like AYSO there's always an opportunity to take your interest in coaching or refereeing to the next level and become one yourself!

Team Formation Methods

1. Divisions U6 and U8 will be formed by the respective Division Coordinator(s) primarily on the basis of neighborhoods (based on the city's public elementary schools), while also taking into account the player's age and previous soccer experience to balance the teams.

2. Division U10 will be formed by the respective Division Coordinator(s) primarily on the basis of the players' skill ratings and secondarily on the basis of neighborhoods (based on the city's public elementary schools). The Division Coordinator(s) will update and adjust the player's skill rating as considered necessary to achieve consistency and reflect recent participation in Select or "club" programs. Unrated players will be evaluated according to first-hand knowledge of coaches or coordinators about previous soccer experience, past participation in Select or "club" programs and overall years of soccer experience.

After completing the initial team formation, coaches will be assigned to or recruited for the various teams. If a coach's child(ren) is/are not on the team assigned to the coach, the Division Coordinator (and others as the Coordinator may decide to consult) shall agree on a trade of an equally skilled player(s) to place the coach's child(ren) on the correct team. Only a head coach's (but not the assistant coach's) child(ren) may be moved to another team

After the distribution of team rosters to the coaches, the assignment of late-registering players will be made by the Division Coordinator with the primary objective of maintaining the overall balance of the skill levels of the players on the teams. A highly rated player shall not be considered as "dropped" from the team until the coach has returned all copies of the Player's Registration Form to the respective Division Coordinator.

3. Working with the Chief Division Coordinator and experienced, knowledgeable coaches, the U12, U14, U16 and U19 Division Coordinator(s) will initially form balanced teams (without regard as to the possible coach of the team), considering primarily the players' skill ratings. Ratings may be adjusted as considered necessary to achieve consistency and reflect recent participation in Select or "club" programs. Unrated players will be evaluated according to first hand knowledge of coaches or coordinators about previous soccer experience, past participation in Select or "club" programs and overall years of soccer experience. The diversity of players on a team from different schools and neighborhoods of Riverside should also be considered.

After completing the initial team formation, a random drawing will assign coaches to the various teams. If a coach's child(ren) is/are not on the team drawn for the coach, the Division Coordinator and Chief Division Coordinator (and others as they may decide to consult) shall agree on a trade of an equally skilled player(s) to place the coach's child(ren) on the correct team. Only a head coach's (but not the assistant coach's) child(ren) may be moved to another team.

After the distribution of team rosters to the coaches, the assignment of late-registering players will be made by the Division Coordinator, in consultation with the Chief Division Coordinator (and others as they may decide to consult) with the primary objective of maintaining the overall balance of the skill levels of the players on the teams, even if this means that teams may not have the same number of players on the roster. A highly rated player shall not be considered as "dropped" from the team until the coach has returned all copies of the Player's Registration Form to the respective Division Coordinator.

Team Changes

There are none

Players will not be moved due to location or a request that was not granted. The only guarantee is that a coach coaches his own child and siblings are on the same team. If a player is unable to participate this season, they will have to fill out a player drop form, as they will not be moved to another team. This is located at www.ayso47.org under Documents and called a "Player Drop form".

Coordinator

If you have any questions, concerns or parent issues, please feel free to contact your assigned division coordinator (located at www.ayso47.org on the "Staff page") so we can resolve any issues and/or concerns.

Drops:

There are two parts to drops and if they are both not met players cannot be removed from a team.

1. Parent must mail or scan the player drop form to drop a player.
    a. Mail : AYSO, P.O. Box 2308, Riverside, 92516.
    b. treasurer@ayso47.org
    c. DO NOT TURN THIS INTO THE INFORMATION BOOTH.

2. Coach will NOT get another player until step 1 has been completed and/or coordinator has talked with parent dropping.

Who to Contact

Please be sure to contact your Coordinator first for all non-coaching related questions (dropped players, uniform pickup, volunteer paperwork, etc). If your coordinator can't answer your question they will contact a board member to get an answer for you.

Fall Team Participation Incentive Program

Purpose

The purpose of the Fall Team Participation Incentive Program is to encourage participation among parents and other adults in our region. AYSO Region 47 is an all-volunteer organization which works because thousands of adults "do their part" each year to help our soccer program and your child. The Team Participation Incentive Program is one small way of thanking those who contribute to a successful season.

While we appreciate all volunteer efforts, the participation of adults is the core foundation of a strong AYSO program. Therefore, this Team Participation Incentive Program is specifically focused on participation by adults. They may also earn school Community Service hours.

Incentives

U10, U12 and U14 teams
These teams can earn up to a maximum of 30 points towards the Regional Tournament. The top placing teams in the Regional Tournament go on to represent Region 47 in Area Championship Tournament! Instead of starting the Regional Tournament even with other teams, you have the opportunity to start off with 30 points (See below)! Last year, approximately 30% of the teams that advanced to the playoffs in the Regional Tournament were there due to Participation Points!

U6 and U8 teams
Those teams who have accumulated a minimum number of points (U6 – 15 points; U8 – 20 points) by the end of the Fall season will be awarded medals for all players, plus 3 extra medals. The kids will love these colorful, shiny medals and ribbons!

U5 Jamboree
Parents can earn up to a maximum of 8 points for snack bar volunteering and field duty volunteering, or other regional help necessary. For every 1 hour of approved volunteering, you will earn 1 point. Parents who have accumulated a minimum of 4 hours of volunteer points by the end of the Fall season will be awarded an " AYSO Volunteer pin" and parents who have accumulated 8 points by the end of the Fall season will be awarded a "Team AYSO Volunteer T-Shirt".

Parents can also earn up to one point for being certified at any time during the season.

U16 and U19 teams
Those teams who have accumulated a minimum of 20 points by the end of their Fall season (in November) will be reimbursed up to $75.00 for the costs of a team party or team trophies/medals. Alternately, the team may request volunteer medals for all players.

Participation Opportunities

Teams can earn Participation Points through a wide variety of activities, as listed below. There are several ways any parent or adult can help their team(s)! Like any program, there are a few important details, so
be sure to read everything.

U6-U19 Summary of Maximum Participation Points

Coach*	4 pts
Team Parent/Manager*	1 pt
Referee Certification	3 pts
Snack Bar/Field Duty/AYSO Day	7 pts
Referee Upgrade	2 pt

Team Sponsor	3 pts Team
Extra Credit***	5 pts
Referring	No Max

OVERALL MAXIMUM POINTS 30

*Must Attend Region Scheduled Meeting.

**You cannot make up extra points if you do not complete original team volunteer assignments

***** Extra Credit must be approved by Volunteer Coordinator and can only be approved upon completion of team original scheduled assignments.**

Referee Certification (1 point per person; 3 points maximum)

Referee Certification (1 point per person; 3 points team maximum)

All teams have the opportunity to recruit parents or other adults to become referees. To qualify for the point (s) the new recruit must a) attend and complete the Basic Referee Course prior to October 31 ; b) pass the Basic Referee Exam; c) register with the referee scheduling system on line and d) sign up online and referee at least three games either as center referee or assistant referee. All these requirements must be met to receive the incentive points specified.

Additionally, a participation Point will be available for any current referee who attends completes and is certified in ANY continuing education for referees including, Assessor, Instructor, Intermediate, Advanced or National Referee Course.

Previously trained referees can earn a Participation Point by a) properly completing a Volunteer Application AND b) completing a Referee Data Sheet (becoming an Active Referee) so the region can create a customized referee schedule for the referee. A new referee data sheet is required every season. Additionally, a participation Point will be available for any current referee who attends and completes the Intermediate Referee Course and passes the Intermediate Referee Exam (prior to September 30) with then intent of continuing education.

The team's Head Coach (but sorry, not the assistant coach) can earn (4) two Participation Points by doing all (3) three of the following:

- fully and properly completing a Volunteer Application at the Fall Coach's Meeting (or, if later, within ten days of accepting the coaching assignment) AND

- successfully completing any AYSO Coaching course prior to September 30 (courses taken in previous years do count); AND
- documenting that they have completed the Coach Safe Haven course.

Each **trained and uniformed** referee or assistant referee in U8 or higher matches will earn ½ of a Participation Point per game for their team. There is no separate maximum for refereeing games. A referee can only designate this ½ point for one team in a single game. Refereeing points are determined from the completed game cards collected after each game. Be legible, be complete, be accurate and be prompt in turning in the game card at the Referee Station shortly after the match!

Scheduled teams are asked to provide 4 adults to assist in these key areas. If all four team representatives complete the entire scheduled shift, the team will receive a total of five (7) Participation Points. If three people complete the entire scheduled shift, 4 points will be awarded. If two people complete the entire scheduled shift, 3 points will be awarded, etc. If the team is a no show, the team receives zero points. To receive credit, the team volunteers must sign in and out on the log provided.

All teams have an opportunity to earn additional Participation Points by doing extra duties such as helping on lining fields, AYSO (Picture) Day, Snack Bar, Field Duty, etc. Generally, teams will earn ½ point for each hour of completed "Extra Credit" duty. Arrangements for Extra Credit duty must be approved in advance by the Board Member in charge of the function.

Teams that are not assigned to Snack Bar, Field Duty or AYSO Day duty can earn an extra 5 Participation Points in other areas as extra credit. This ensures that all teams have the opportunity to earn the same 17 total Participation Points among these 4 areas - Snack Bar, Field Duty, AYSO Day and Extra Credit.

Team Parent (1 point maximum)

The Team Parent can earn 1 Participation Point by doing all of the following:

- attending the Team Parent meeting and picking up fundraiser information if applicable, AND
- properly and fully completing a Volunteer Application at the Team Parent Meeting, AND

Team Sponsorship (3 points maximum)

All teams can earn Participation Points by arranging for Team Sponsors. One and one half (1.5) Participation Points will be earned for each full ($250) team sponsor that the team recruits. The official Team Sponsorship paperwork must be completed at the Information Booth by the **designated due date listed on the website or in the SAYSO Newsletter** to earn Participation Points.

Snack Bar/Field Duty/AYSO Day (7 points maximum)

All teams can earn team points by participating in team schedule assigned duties to include,

but not limited to Snack Bar/Field Duty/AYSO Day or other team assignments appropriate for the season. **Each team must supply a minimum of 4 volunteers for the scheduled assignment.**

Extra points CANNOT be earned if a team does not complete the team assignment scheduled by the region. All EXTRA points must be approved in advance by stats@ayso47.org.

Summary of Regional Guidelines

This is an abbreviated summary of the Region 47 Regional Guidelines pending NSTC approval. The complete Regional Guidelines can be viewed on the Region 47 web site at www.ayso47.org under Resources.

Team Organization and Management

TEAM PARENT

Team Parent should have a valid set of player registration forms, which contain original signatures, on their person and are present at game time and any team functions. If you do not have this, please ask your coach.

Assist the coach to ensure all team responsibilities are fulfilled.

Coordinate volunteers to ensure sufficient parents from the team will be present to fulfill team responsibilities (referees, sponsors, banners, field setup/takedown, snack bar, etc).

Coordinate all team communications as needed. Reminder calls on game, refreshments, equipment days, picture day, team duty, etc.

Become familiar and uphold the AYSO Philosophy, policies, Rules and Regulations and Regional Guidelines.

Distribute and Communicate to all players on the team the following information: roster, schedule, snack schedule, assigned snack bar or field duty and information on picture day.

Assist with fundraising projects as required by the AYSO Regional Board, and assist the team at Picture Day.

Pick up a copy of the *SAYSO* newsletter for each of your team's families, or sign up for our newsletter on our website www.ayso47.org.

Parent Responsibilities

Ensure team responsibilities are fulfilled.

Become familiar and uphold the Laws of the Game and AYSO Philosophy, policies, Rules and Regulations and Regional Guidelines and to uphold them.

Notify the coach in advance of a player's intended absences from practices and games.

Support your player and their team and encourage good sportsmanship. Enjoy yourself at the game by letting your player play without interference. Remember, the game is for the kids.

Parents should not coach during the game and should limit their involvement to positive encouragement and praise to ALL players, parents, and volunteers (this includes referees!) The game is for the player to play. Let them make their own decisions with the ball - then tell them how good they did it!

Behave in a responsible manner. Do not yell, belittle, or jeer at other adults or children.

Be a volunteer for one of the many positions on the team or on the regional staff. Region 47 is an all-volunteer organization and it takes many people working together to make it work. Be an advocate for the kids and lend a helping hand.

Arrive promptly at the scheduled times set by the coach for all team activities (games, practice, pictures, etc.) and to stay at practice and games whenever possible. If not staying, to pick up their player immediately after each team activity.

Remain at least three (3) feet behind the touchline (field boundary) during games. Spectators and/or Coaches are not permitted behind the goal line or along the touchlines beyond the penalty area line (18 yd. Line).

Assist whenever requested by the Coaches, Team Parent, or other volunteers.

Ensure the continued success of the Region by volunteering for one of the many volunteer positions available in the Region (see Appendix N Volunteer Roles and Responsibilities).

No alcoholic beverages or smoking are allowed at practice, games or any team functions. Any violation will be cause for possible suspension.

Participate in the Regional fundraising efforts which are organized to augment the funds needed to meet the Region's annual expenses.

Additional Team Programs – the Region also forms teams into other programs to support the continued development of our youth. These programs are discussed in the following Appendices:

- Select Program and EXTRA Program
- VIP Program
- Spring Coed Program
- Short-Sided Play Programs

Each team shall at a minimum have a coach (at least 18 years of age), a team parent (at least 18 years of age), and at least two AYSO-certified adult referees who are available to referee an average of one game a week minimum.

It is recommended that each team have an assistant coach.

Region 47 does not allow transfers to other regions nor does it allow transfers or trades between teams once they are formed. During the Spring and EXTRA Season, a player may not play on a 'Select' and an 'EXTRA' team and a 'Spring League' team. Select Teams may however borrow a Spring League player for a Tournament as long as it does not conflict with their League game and the Spring League player has played at least ½ of the Fall Season games.

During certain periods of the year, coaches may (with the Regional Commissioner's approval) form a 'tournament team'. These teams are typically short-lived and formed for the purpose of playing in a specific tournament or tournaments. Players on these 'tournament teams' must already be registered as a player on a Fall Season team and must have played in at least ½ of the Fall Season games. During the period when the 'tournament team' is formed, coaches from both the player's 'tournament team' and regular team must work together to ensure issues like practice times, player availability for games, and Player Registration forms are well managed to not unduly impact the player. The Chief Division Coordinators are available to assist the coaches in this player management process.

Number of Players

(a) At the onset of each season, each team shall have the number of registered players as shown on the following chart:

U19 / U16 maximum of eighteen (18) minimum of fourteen (14)

U14 maximum of fourteen (14) minimum of eleven (11)

U12 maximum of twelve (12) minimum of nine (9)

U10 maximum of nine (9) minimum of seven (7)

U8 maximum of nine (9) minimum of seven (7)

U6 maximum of eight (8) minimum of six (6)

U5 Jamboree—Groups maximum of thirty three (33)

(b) If a player drops from a team, the coach must give age Division Coordinator the player's registration form in order to receive a replacement player. Additionally, parent must submit a signed drop form Players may be added to a team at any time during the regular season, but only under the guidelines as stated in Appendix H Team Formation Method. Please note: if a player is added after the mid-point of the fall season, then the player will not be eligible to play in any Area or Section playoffs. This is due to the requirement of Section 1 that any player on a team participating in Section post-season play must have played at least half of the regular Fall season.

Registration Fees, Refunds

(a) The registration fee for each player participant shall be fixed annually by the Regional Board. The fee for the current year is set forth in the regional guidelines, located on the region website at www.ayso47.org.

(b) The Regional Board may by specific grant or scholarship, or by Regional policy, waive such registration in whole or in part with respect to any participant if such fee would create a hardship for such participant or his or her family.

(c) Any player who withdraws from the program may be entitled to a partial refund

of such registration fee. See the "Player Drop form" located on the regional website at www.ayso47.org under documents and resources.

Eligibility

All boys and girls, between the ages of 4 (by 7/31) and 18 (by 7/31), based on their age as of July 31 of the year in which the membership year begins, shall be eligible to register for the program, subject to field availability, volunteer support, AYSO operating regulations, and such rules as may be issued by the Regional Board. It is the duty of the Region to assure that only eligible players are permitted to register and play.

Length of Season

Practice is limited to 2 hours per week. Practices may commence immediately after distribution of player registration forms to the head coaches (at the coaches meeting) so long as the first practice date follows August 1. Practices may not commence prior to August 1st.

The season shall be of such duration as determined by the Regional Board, and as set forth in the Regional Calendar attached to these Regional Guidelines.

EXTRA (Flex) is a secondary program that runs year round from August 1 through July 31. This program spans the Fall and Spring seasons. The EXTRA (Flex) program is run by Area 1R staff. This program includes U10 through U19 players. EXTRA (Flex) teams are considered highly competitive. Players must tryout for EXTRA (Flex) teams and if they are not picked for an EXTRA (Flex) team, they may elect to participate in the appropriate Fall or Spring program.

The Fall season runs generally from September to December for divisions U5 through U14. For divisions U16 and U19, the season ends by Thanksgiving to allow players to participate in their High School soccer season. For the younger divisions, post-season play including Area, Section and Tri-State games can continue into the following March.

The Spring season runs generally from March to June. There are two programs during this season; the Spring Coed and the Spring Select. The Spring Coed program is intended to be instructional and "for fun only". Teams are generally formed as coed divisions and no standings are kept. The Select program is highly competitive; games are played against Select teams from other regions. Some travel is required as at least half of the matches are played in other cities. Players must have participated in at least ½ of the previous Fall Season's games to be able to participate in Spring Select.

VIP Program

Kids with special needs are estimated to make up approximately 10% of the school age population. They are members of our community; the children of friends, neighbors, relatives — our classmates and our friends.

The VIP program (Very Important Player) is a National AYSO soccer program designed for kids with special needs, including physical and developmental challenges. There is a need for these children to have access to a full program of team participation, practices, games and social activities. Region 47's VIP program fills this void.

The VIP program goals for each player are:

- Have fun playing soccer
- Understand the fundamentals of the game
- Learn teamwork and fair play
- Increase positive self-esteem
- Become more physically fit at their level
- Meet and be comfortable with new people

Children from age 5 through high school age may join a VIP team. Some special needs children stay in school beyond the age of 18. As long as they are enrolled in school, they may play on a VIP team.

Challenges included but are not limited to: visually impaired, mild to sever mentally impaired, autistic, Down Syndrome, cerebral palsy, seizure disorders, attention deficit/hyper-activity disorder, learning disabled, brain injured.

Our VIP players receive uniforms and participate in every activity held at the AYSO fields. This includes Picture Day/AYSO Day, Pizza parties and award ceremonies. The only difference in our program are game guidelines:

- 10 minute quarters, 20 minute halfs
- Everyone plays, no substitutions (although players needing a break may sit out)
- Coaches are allowed on the field at all times if necessary
- No standings are kept (the kids seem to keep track on their own, however!)

VIP teams play on the same fields and use the same equipment as other AYSO players. We use the 3/4-size fields and a size 5 ball. Teams consist of 6-8 players depending on sign-ups and we divide the teams up by size as well as ability.

We hope this answers any questions you may have about this terrific program and please remember:

Match Requirements

In pursuit of the AYSO philosophy of good sportsmanship the coach of any team leading by five or more goals must take discrete, clear and positive action not to run up the score. This is the coach's responsibility to uphold in the spirit of good sportsmanship.

Games must start and end on time to maintain a schedule that will fairly allow all players equal playing time. Regardless of when a game starts, games are to end at least 5 minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the next scheduled match.

If no neutral referees appear for a game, the coaches of the two teams must draw from

among their certified referee volunteers to officiate the game. Except for U5 and U6 games, coaches may not referee their own games!

Except for U8 and younger games, if the coaches have no referee volunteers available the game may be canceled by Region staff. Both teams will receive a 1-0 loss forfeit.

Duration of Matches and Ball Size

Division	Each Half	Duration	Ball Size
• VIP	20 minutes	40 minutes	4
• U5	10 minutes	20 minutes	3
• U6	10 minutes	20 minutes	3
• U8	20 minutes	40 minutes	3
• U10	25 minutes	50 minutes	4
• U12	30 minutes	60 minutes	4
• U14	35 minutes	70 minutes	5
• U16	40 minutes	80 minutes	5
• U19	45 minutes	90 minutes	5

Because of the demand for our playing facilities, the recommended times shown above may be reduced to accommodate the demand. Any such shortage of playing time will be announced at the time the schedule of competition is published at the start of the season.

Substitution and Playing Time

Game line-up cards listing (in numerical order by uniform number) the full names of each player must be presented to the referee prior to the beginning of the match. Game cards must show the team name and number, home/visitor, region, uniform color, coach's and assistant coach's names, date, field and scheduled game start time. The coach shall note any player absent and the reason for the absence. Player Registration forms must be available to any Regional Board member upon request prior to the game.

Each game shall consist of two equal halves with play being halted at a normal play stoppage approximately midway through the first half and second half for substitutions. This is not a water or tactical instruction break. Players not being substituted must remain on the field as play may be restarted immediately after substitutions are completed.

Game length, substitutions and other rules for Divisions U16 and U19 are determined by Area R guidelines for games during the Fall season. During the Spring season, U16 and U19 are combined into a single coed division. All rules for play are the same as other Spring Coed teams with the following exceptions: (a) 40 minute halves; 80 minute games, and (b) substitutions, are made approximately every 1/8 of the match.

All players in Region 47 must play 3/4 of each game unless the number of players

assigned to the team's roster and present for a game mathematically precludes such ¾ playing time. In these cases each player shall play at least 1/2 of each game. This regulation applies to all teams, including Select teams, in all situations, including all tournaments. Exceptions may be made if a player is ill or injured. (See 7.11h)

If a player arrives late for a game his/her playing time will be proportionately reduced subject to the conditions of paragraph (d) above. Thus, a U14 or younger player arriving during the first period of play shall play at least 2 of the remaining 3 play periods. A player arriving during the second period of play shall play at least 1 of the remaining 2 play periods.

Barring injury or illness or player(s) arriving late or leaving early situations, no coach shall play a player for the full match if there are other players on the team which have not played at least 3/4 of the game.

A coach's failure to play a player the required 3/4 of a game (subject to any of the above conditions) may result in the coach being suspended for one or more games. Repeat offences may be cause for the coach's permanent suspension.

Playing a player less than the required time for disciplinary reasons is highly discouraged. Coaches are similarly not to shorten a player's playing time if they are unable to attend practices due to illness, transportation difficulties or other scheduling conflicts. In such cases, the coach is to first consult the appropriate Division Coordinator, the Chief Coordinator or the Regional Coach Administrator.

It is expected that the coach (and not the match referee/assistant referee) will track and enforce the playing time rule. The referee's responsibility is to keep the record of how much time each player actually played. The referee does this by noting on the game card those players who are on the field at the start of each substitution period and which players are not in the game as substitutes. The coach must inform the referee of injured or ill players. If the referee and coach are truly working together for the benefit of the player, the referee/assistant referee will mention to the coach if a mistake in playing time is about to be made so that the coach can correct the error.

Substituting for an ill or injured player:

If a player is injured, the coach may provide a substitute for the player, in which case the injured player may not return until the next substitution break. Only the player who is injured is credited with that play period regardless of the actual time played.

The coach may choose to play short, thereby allowing the injured player to return to play at anytime. The player must be recognized by the referee in order to return to the game legally.

If a player becomes ill or is seriously injured and is therefore unable to play, the referee must note such case and cause on the game card. Coaches have the responsibility to ensure this is done.

During extremely hot weather, the referee and both head coaches may agree to extend the substitution breaks in order to allow all players and the referee to refresh themselves with

water. This should be an extremely rare occurrence, done on an exception basis, and only when the health of the players is in question. When doing so, the referee and

coaches should take care so as not to cause undue loss of playing time for the players. Referees and coaches should agree on this prior to the start of the match.

The halftime duration shall not be less than 5 minutes or more than 10 minutes.

Conduct during Games

The highest standards of conduct and good sportsmanship must be maintained at all times by players, coaches, referees, spectators and all other participants. Offensive, insulting or abusive language is forbidden. The use of alcohol, tobacco products or illegal drugs in the vicinity of the playing field during practices or games is strictly forbidden.

Region 47, in accordance with AYSO National Rules and Regulations, insists that no alcoholic beverages or smoking are allowed at practices or games. Non-compliance with this regulation will be cause for ejection from the playing area. Persistent violations may result in permanent suspension from participation for the offender.

All participants must wear the official uniforms, as described in Section 17 of this Article 7, for all games and dress in them in a neat, clean manner.

Coaches are expected to be positive role models and set the best possible example for the participants. Coaching is limited to giving only positive instruction and encouragement (P.I.E.) to the players. Excessive coaching from the sidelines shall not be permitted. The giving of tactical instructions is limited to the technical area, that is, along the touchline within 10 yards on either side of the halfway line (in no event in either of the penalty areas or from behind the goals). The coach may only enter the field with the referee's permission.

Spectators at games must remain behind the spectator control line (three feet from the sideline) and between the penalty areas and their vocal efforts should be limited to positive compliments to the participants. Spectators are expected at all times to act positively around players and to demonstrate respect for opponents, officials, and all other volunteers. Under no circumstances should they attempt to coach or address remarks derogatory to players, coaches or the referee.

At the end of the game, the players on each team shall exhibit good sportsmanship by lining up and shaking hands with the players of the opposing team and thanking the referee and assistant referees.

The referee shall have the power and authority to caution and send off players and warn and expel coaches (as well as spectators, in the case of outside interference) from the playing Area, or terminate the match if necessary, if their conduct violates the Laws of the Game, these Regional Guidelines, or otherwise interferes with the course of play. No appeal of disciplinary action taken by a referee shall be allowed.

A player who is sent off (red card) or cautioned (yellow card), or a coach who is expelled or warned, may be subject to additional disciplinary action (e.g., parent conferences, game suspensions, expulsions). See Section 7.14 for a description of this process.

Officiating

Referees shall at all times impose the rules and regulations of competition as defined by

FIFA, interpreted by USSF and modified by AYSO.

The referee shall have the power and authority to warn and expel coaches and spectators from the playing area, or stop, suspend or terminate the match if necessary if the conduct of said coach or spectator violates the Laws of the game, these Regional Guidelines, or otherwise interferes with the course of play. No appeal of disciplinary action taken by a referee shall be allowed except as provided by Section 7.15.

The Referee will complete match information on the game cards and affix his/her name to them and turn the game cards in at the referee station.

Referees shall at all times put great emphasis on the welfare of the players and officiate the game in a manner conducive to clean competition and good sportsmanship. If a player is injured, the referee, at his/her discretion, may stop the game to ensure the welfare of the player even if the ball has not gone out of play.

Harassment of a referee by anyone will not be allowed. Such behavior may warrant a warning or ejection or other sanctions. No coach will be allowed to coach a team while wearing a referee uniform.

It is the responsibility of the referee to address the misconduct of the players, coaches and spectators. The authority of the referee begins when (s)he arrives at the soccer field and exists during, before and after the game. Cautions and send offs may be issued at any point during this time.

Disciplinary Actions

Any violation of the AYSO National, Section 1 operating guidelines, Area R operating guidelines or Region 47 Regional Guidelines must be reported to the Regional Commissioner. Appropriate action will be taken in accordance with Article 10 (Dispute Resolution).

A player, coach, assistant coach or spectator who is sent off (expelled) or cautioned (warned) may be subject to additional disciplinary action after a review of the incident.

A player who is sent off (red card) must leave the game and may not return to the game; a replacement player will not be allowed. Additionally, the player cannot participate in or observe the next game. The sent off player must leave the field immediately, removing him/herself from sight and sound of the field. Players under the age of 18 without a parent present must be constrained to the team bench area. A send-off for violent conduct shall warrant further review and may result in a longer suspension or banishment from the league.

Any coach or spectator that is expelled from the game must leave the field immediately, removing him/her self from sight and sound of the field. The game will not continue until the expelled person leaves the playing area. She/He may not return to the game and cannot participate in or observe the next game.

A player receiving a third caution (yellow card) during the season will be suspended from play in the next scheduled game.

A player receiving two (2) red cards in a season may be suspended from play for the remainder of the season.

A Misconduct Report for any and all cautions, send offs, and/or ejections must be filled out by the referee immediately following the game and forwarded to the Regional Referee Administrator and Regional Coach Administrator, which will be reviewed and appropriate action taken wherein necessary.

Protests

No protest of games shall be permitted. However, coaches are encouraged to file with the Regional Referee Administrator a written report within 48 hours after a game of any misapplication of the Laws of the Game or AYSO rules and regulations *committed by the referee*. This procedure shall not be used as a means of complaining about or criticizing any judgment call of a referee or assistant referee. If, after investigation by the Regional Referee Administrator, it is found that a Law, Rule or Regulation as misapplied, such referee shall be so informed as an educational process in order to ensure that no further misapplication occurs.

Player Safety and Care

It shall be the responsibility of each player to supply its own refreshments. It is suggested that the best refreshment is cool water.

Coaches are responsible for reporting to the Safety Director any player injury occurring during practices or games. Injuries should be reported as soon as possible, but in no event later than two (2) weeks after the injury.

Referees are responsible to ensure that any player bleeding from a wound leaves the field of play. The player may only return on receiving a signal from the referee whom must be satisfied that the bleeding has stopped, the wound is covered and not exposed, and no blood is present on the player or uniform (See Appendix F Blood-Borne Disease Policy and other Safety Policies). The referee may not delegate this inspection to any other person.

No player will be allowed to chew gum or candy during a game or practice.

Player's Equipment

The Region shall make arrangements to supply each player with a shirt bearing the original AYSO logo properly affixed thereto and, if possible, a pair of socks, and shorts.

Region 47 shall purchase game uniforms for the fall and spring seasons with general funds. Players must wear the uniforms provided. Uniforms that do not reasonably fit may be exchanged for a larger size provided none of the components have been used (in practices or games).

Shin guards shall be worn at all practices and all games

Sliding shorts may be worn, but if they extend below the uniform shorts they must be of the same color as the uniform shorts.

Players may not wear jewelry of any kind (including chains, watches, body jewelry and earrings), bandanas or other ornamentation or anything else that may create an increased risk of injury to himself or herself or to other players during the game.

Medical alert bracelets should not be removed, but should be temporarily modified to fit more snugly.

Prescription eyeglasses may be worn, but must remain firmly on the wearer's head. A restraining strap may be worn. Non-prescription eyeglasses and sunglasses are not permitted to be worn by a player during a game.

Casts (including padded casts), splints, helmets and hard padding are not permitted to be worn by a player during any game or practice. Players with permanent orthodontic braces are strongly encouraged to wear mouth guards.

The referee has the final say as to the safety of any player equipment or accessories.

Cancellations/Forfeitures of Games

Soccer is an all-weather sport and will be played under most conditions. Teams should always arrive for the games unless they are contacted by their coach. Games will be played even if it is raining. If a game is suspended due to weather conditions during or after half time, the score of the game at the time play is stopped will stand as the official score.

The Regional Commissioner, Assistant Commissioner(s) and Safety Director, or their designees, have the authority to cancel games in the event of dangerous weather conditions.

In the event of fog, the referee will not start a game until both goals can be seen from the center of the field.

AYSO Region 47 has arranged to make the Ab Brown Sports Complex ("ABSC") fields available for each team to safely play their scheduled game(s). While the availability of these fields cannot be changed, if a parent feels that the weather is detrimental to the health of their child, they should take their child home.

It is mandatory for a team to play a scheduled league or tournament game unless a valid reason is supplied in writing to, and approved by, the Regional Commissioner prior to the game. Any coach who intentionally fails to show or withdraws their team from a scheduled game before that game has been terminated or concluded by the referee, may be suspended from further coaching duties or face other disciplinary action.

No game may be rescheduled without prior, written approval.

A team must have a minimum of seven [7] players present in uniform before a game to be allowed to start or restart (except as modified in divisions U5, U6, U8 and U10 – see Appendix

If at any time a team is unable to field the minimum number of players, the referee should not start or restart the match. Instead, the referee shall submit a detailed report to the Regional Commissioner (or Tournament Director in the case of a tournament), or their designee, who will decide on the outcome of the match.

Teams must be ready to take the field within ten [10] minutes of the scheduled starting time for the game to begin. Failure to do so may result in a forfeit by the offending team and the game referee will enter it on the lineup card as "1-0 forfeit".

If both scheduled teams fail to take the field as required, the referee may cancel the game. The game will be entered as "1-0 forfeit" against both teams.

Once a game has been started only the referee has the authority to suspend or terminate play according to the Laws of the Game and AYSO modifications. However, the referee will terminate play during the regular season at the request of the Regional Commissioner or other designated Regional Board member. In post-season competitions, the prevailing authorities will assume this responsibility.

The referee has discretionary power to terminate the game whenever he/she deems such stoppage necessary due to outside interference of coaches or spectators or any other cause. [FIFA Law 5].

In the event of such termination the referees do not have the authority to declare either team the winner or to decide if the game should be replayed. In such cases the referee shall submit a detailed report to the Region 47 Regional Commissioner who will decide on the matter.

Facilities and Practice Fields

Region 47 has the use of the Ab Brown Sports Complex ("ABSC") on a license basis from the City of Riverside. The facilities are to be used only under the policies established by the Regional Board. Except for U6 and U8 teams, team practices are generally not conducted at ABSC; although teams are allowed to use the ABSC to play one practice game (scrimmage) per season against another AYSO team. Approval by the designated facilities scheduler is required.

Each Fall, the Region obtains a limited number of practice fields in the City of Riverside Park and Recreation Department. These fields will be distributed at the Fall Season Coaches Meeting. Earlier time slots (i.e. before 7 p.m.) will generally be reserved for U6 and U8 teams. Additional practice fields are available at many local schools (contact the local school or school district office for additional information, fees may apply, which are the direct responsibility of the coach and/or team, not the Region). Practice fields are to be kept clean and in good repair.

Generally, the Region does not obtain the use of practice fields for the Spring League. Please contact your local school to see if their facility is available or use a local park on a first come basis. During the Spring season baseball has priority use of the city parks. Please do not encroach on their areas and abide by the directions of their league's umpires.

Each field shall be maintained and lined under the direction of the Director of Operations and/or the Facilities Coordinator.

Fundraising

AYSO operates on a non-profit basis. Revenue is generated through payment of registration fees, sponsors, field usage fees and miscellaneous fund raising activities. All revenue is returned to AYSO participants through a variety of ways including insurance, purchase of uniforms, pictures, facilities maintenance, necessary equipment, and special projects as determined by the Regional Board. Region 47 operating requirements are not

met by registration fees alone necessitating the need for fundraising. Our fundraisers take the form of our Snack Bar revenues, Fall and Spring "fundraiser", and our Locomotion Tournament. Without team and parent support of our region's fundraisers, Region 47 can not meet its operating requirements.

All fundraiser funds were collected at the time of player registration.

Sponsors

The Region encourages local businesses and individuals to support its program. Suitable recognition shall be given to these sponsors. Contributions are always made to the Region rather than to a particular team. Such contributions may be considered charitable contributions and may be deductible for U.S. tax purposes, subject to the applicable limitations in the Internal **Revenue Code.**

Dispute Resolution - General Policy

It is the policy of Region 47 to resolve all disputes involving persons involved in the Region in an amicable way, if possible. Compromise should be emphasized whenever possible, and personality conflicts should be avoided.

If disciplinary action is found to be necessary, it is the Region's policy to take only the minimum action necessary. All means available should be taken to avoid legal action.

It is the policy of Region 47 to avoid punishing the players for the conduct of the parents except when there is no other solution (e.g., where a parent cannot or will not cease his or her disruptive behavior).

It is the policy of Region 47 to avoid wiping out years of good memories of AYSO and good service to AYSO, and that suspension or removal procedures are to be used only as a last resort. Voluntary resignation is preferable to a suspension or removal procedure.

It is the policy of Region 47 to avoid publicizing the results of suspension or removal proceedings beyond those persons who need to know these results and to respect the privacy of the individuals involved. However, the Regional Commissioner or designee should notify the Area Director, the Section Director, the National Support & Training Center or members of the AYSO Legal Commission of any pending proceedings pursuant to the operating regulations, and must comply with all applicable regulations and laws requiring suspension for abuse and similar events.

General Due Process Procedures

Refer to "Complete Regional Guidelines" located on www.ayso47.org under Documents/Resources.

Suspension

Refer to "Complete Regional Guidelines" located on www.ayso47.org under Documents/Resources.

Removal

Refer to "Complete Regional Guidelines" located on www.ayso47.org under Documents/Resources.

Review

Refer to "Complete Regional Guidelines" located on www.ayso47.org under Documents/Resources.

IV Other

If Region 47 joins a Select, EXTRA or other approved league, it is mandatory for a Region 47 team to play in all scheduled Select, EXTRA or other approved league and playoff games unless a valid reason is submitted in advance in writing and approved in writing by the Regional Commissioner. Attendance at an alternate tournament or event is not a valid reason not to play a scheduled game. All Region 47 Select and EXTRA teams are expected play in the Locomotion Tournament and all Area or Section tournaments (if qualified).

Guidelines for Competition

The Fèdèration Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) Laws of the Game, as interpreted by the United States Soccer Federation (USSF) and as modified by the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) By-Laws and Rules and Regulations are basic rules governing all AYSO Soccer competitions. These rules are further clarified or added to by Section 1 Rules and Regulations and Area R Guidelines. The Region 47 Regional Guidelines expand and interpret these documents where judged necessary as an aid for coaches, referees, and all other Regional volunteers in the management of the game of soccer for Region 47 youth soccer within the framework of AYSO.

The U16 and U19 teams compete in the Area R league for Fall play and are subject to play according to the Area R Guidelines for play in that league.

Further, all teams which play in other leagues or tournaments at various times of the year (i.e. Select teams playing in the Area R Spring Select League, Pony Express Tournament or Locomotion Tournament, etc.) are subject to the guidelines for that competition.

This is an abbreviated summary of the Region 47 Regional Guidelines pending NSTC approval. The complete Regional Guidelines can be viewed on the Region 47 web site at www.ayso47.org under Resources.

AYSO DAY

SEPTEMBER 29, 2012

BANNER CONTEST
8:30AM - 12:30PM

Bring your team banner to AYSO Picture Day!

Before or after your pictures, set your team banner in the judging area. Once your banner has a participation ribbon on the banner, you may remove it. Winners will be announced in the SAYSO newsletter, the following week.

To participate in the Banner Contest your banner **MUST** display all the following items: division (example U8B), coach name, team parent name, team #, region 47, season, and somewhere on the banner the team name MUST be present. There will be two separate categories this year. There will be a category for "Handmade Banners" and a category for "Professional Banners" which will include airbrushing, and embroidery banners.

Example: Team Name: Golden Tigers

Team Coach: Hector

Team Parent: Aracen

Region 47 / Team# 806 / Div: U5B / Spring 2010

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

830AM – 10AM

Pancakes / Sausage / Juice

AYSO Participation Release Form

This form is to be given to the parent or guardian of a player who has suffered an illness or injury that required the care of a physician or a visit to an emergency care facility. It is to be completed in full and signed and dated where indicated. In an instance where a player is away from home at an event or competition, and a parent/guardian is not present, a facsimile copy containing the parent/guardian signature is acceptable. The coach should immediately forward any completed form to the Regional Safety Director.

NOTE: AYSO specifically prohibits participation by a player who must wear a cast or splint to protect an injury or whose cast or splint has been removed without the knowledge and permission of the treating physician.

Submission of this form will not cause AYSO to waive that prohibition

Player: _____

(PRINT PLAYER'S NAME)

I hereby certify that the above named player has been released by the treating physician or medical care facility, is not required to wear any cast or splint and has been cleared for full participation in the AYSO program without restriction._____

(Print name of Parent/Guardian)_____ Date: _____

(Signature of Parent/Guardian)_____

(This portion for regional use only)

Send form to:

Region _____ Safety Director: _____

Address: _____

City, State: _____

Zip: _____

Received by AYSO Regional Safety Director:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Attn Safety Director: If the NSTC requests this form, send the original and make a copy for your records

Sponsorship Instructions

Region 47 has a Team Sponsorship Program that helps raise funds to maintain our fields and further develop our soccer complex, as well as allow us to keep the cost of registration down so more children are able to enjoy the benefits of soccer. Anyone can sponsor a team; family, friends, businesses, private or professional. The Sponsorship fee is $250.00 and checks must be made payable to AYSO Region 47. This is also a tax deductible donation. **Tax ID# is 95-6205398**.

PAYMENT: Check are made payable to AYSO Region 47. Checks can be turned in at the information booth on game days, or can be mailed directly to AYSO Region 47, P.O. Box 2308, Riverside, CA 92516. **Please make sure to reference the Team # on the check.**

T-SHIRTS: The T-Shirt will have the team name, logo, sponsor's name and phone number on the back. The front of the shirt will have the AYSO, Region 47 logo on the upper left corner. The team will be able to choose the color of the shirts as well as the ink color.

Team Parent Instructions:

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 3, 2012 IS THE LAST COLLECTION DATE FOR SPONSORSHIP MONEY.

1. Team parent or coach will complete the attached form (Team Data) and then purchase a Sponsor Certificate at the information booth on Saturdays, up until November 3, 2012.

2. The team parent or coach will get all of the T-shirt sizes of all players and coaches, the black and white (camera-ready) artwork, sponsors' name and phone number, the color of shirt and ink desired, as well as any extra T-Shirt orders. All of this information is then taken to the screen printer. NOTE: black and white camera-ready artwork means black ink with no fine lines (no shading). Computer clip art or drawings are acceptable with no shading.

3. The Selected T-Shirt companies we will be using, will be on the certificate you receive upon turning in your sponsorship funds.

4. **PLEASE NOTE, YOU WILL BE UNABLE TO ORDER YOUR SHIRTS WITHOUT THE SIGNED CERTIFICATE!!!** You must have this at the time of ordering.

5. Your team will be able to order additional t-shirts for parents, grandparents, siblings, friends and family, etc. Your team will be responsible for payment for additional t-shirts at the time you place your order with the selected t-shirt company. Please verify the cost with the t-shirt company you have selected from if you are ordering additional shirts. You must order the extra shirts at the time you order the team shirts and the money is due at the time of ordering. There are **NO ADD-ONS** once the order is placed and accepted by the screen printer. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

6. Please allow 2 weeks for shirts to be ready from the date ordered. Please request a proof from the printer you choose prior to approving printing.

7. Each sponsor with a donation of $250.00 will receive a plaque at the end of the season. Plaques will be available for pickup near the end of the season. Please check the AYSO website and SAYSO for the date.

PLEASE NOTE: If you acquire two or more sponsors, you may use ½ of that additional sponsor toward team functions, however, this may only be done with a second sponsorship, not with the initial $250.00 acquired. Second sponsorship money needs to be turned in and receipts submitted as reimbursements will be paid out of that second sponsorship. **All reimbursements must be turned in by December 15, 2012 for the Fall 2012 season.**

If you have any questions regarding sponsorship information, please contact Sponsorship coordinator at

sponsors@ayso47.org.

Sponsorship Certificate Request

Fill out the information below and take the completed form, along with your sponsor's donation to the Info Booth. You will be issued a Sponsorship Certificate indicating redeemable locations for your team t-shirts.

This certificate entitles the below named team to receive T-shirts for its players and two coaches. The shirts will have the AYSO Region 47 logo on the front, and on the back of the shirt will be your team name and logo along with your sponsor's name and telephone number.

When placing your order you must supply the sizes needed for your team, a design, as well as the color of shirts and color of ink desired for the print. Any additional shirts must be ordered and paid for when submitting the order for player/coach shirts. No add-on shirt orders are allowed after submitting order to the printer.

☐ U-16/U19	20 T-shirts	(18 players / 2 coaches)
☐ U-14	16 T-shirts	(14 players / 2 coaches)
☐ U-12	14 T-shirts	(12 players / 2 coaches)
☐ U-10	11 T-shirts	(9 players / 2 coaches)
☐ U-8	11 T-shirts	(9 players / 2 coaches)
☐ U-6	10 T-shirts	(8 players / 2 coaches)

Team Name: _____ Team #: _____

Coach: _____ Phone #: _____

Team Parent: _____ Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Sponsor Name: _____

Sponsor Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone #: _____

2nd SPONSORSHIP REQUEST

Fill out the information below and take the completed form, along with your sponsor's donation to the Info Booth.

Once your team has satisfied submitting the required $250.00 sponsor (where your team earns T-shirts from the region), you are able to earn team money with any additional sponsors.

You can be reimbursed for up to ½ of the additional sponsors for item such as team party, banner, etc. You will need to spend the money and submit a reimbursement form along with the receipts to be reimbursed to our regional treasurer at treasurer@ayso47.org.

Division:		Team #		Team Name:	
Coach				Phone #:	
Team Parent:				Phone #:	
Team Parent email:					

(check one):

☐ Initial Sponsor (entitles team to t-shirts) ☐ Additional Sponsor (entitles team to 50% of donation for team expenses)

Sponsor Name:					
Sponsor Address:					
City		State		Zip	
Phone #:		Date submitted to AYSO:			

***NOTE:** You will not be reimbursed for items that were not spent for all the players on the team (i.e. you cannot purchase a coach gift card or team parent gift cards with these funds, it must benefit all PLAYERS equally"). If you have questions, prior to spending funds, please ask, we will be glad to clarify for you. treasurer@ayso47.org*

Thank You For Your Support!

TEAM VOLUNTEER LIST
FOR TEAM #_____

Coaches are responsible to recruit the following positions. **Completed volunteer lists must be turned in prior to, or at the Team Parent Meeting, for uniform Pickup. This form can also be found on our website at www.ayso47.org under Fall 2012.** Coach – Please remind any parents that have more than one child playing that they will need to volunteer for a different position on the other team(s). AYSO Volunteer Applications MUST be completed for these positions. Please complete and have each volunteer submit the form at the information booth. ID will be verified at the time the application is submitted.

WITHOUT VOLUNTEERS WE CANNOT RUN OUR REGION, WE NEED EVERY PARENT TO HELP IN SOME CAPACITY!

Positions	Volunteer Name	Telephone	Email
Head Coach			
Assistant Coach			
Team Parent			
Referee #1			
	Badge Level:_____	Or I will attend the referee clinic on	( ) August ( ) Other _____
Referee #2			
	Badge Level:_____	Or I will attend the referee clinic on	( ) August ( ) Other _____
Field Set-up, field Takedown, Special Events, Field and Facilities, and or Snack Bar as required (minimum of 4 people per shift) **(These positions are assigned by the region & volunteers may switch with other volunteers on the team)**			
Regional Board or Other			

Region 47 Player Drop and Refund Policy – Fall 2012

Players that drop from our league may receive a refund per the following guidelines and procedure:

Guidelines:

1. Any player who withdraws prior to participating in the first game or practice of the season shall be entitled to a full refund of their registration fee provided that the player/parent submits a request for refund by completing the form below and returns the unused uniform.

2. Any player who withdraws after participating in the first practice, but prior to the first game of the season, shall be entitled to a refund of the registration fee, minus AYSO National Registration fees for insurance and, provided that the player submits a request for refund by completing the "form below and returns the unused uniform.

3. Any player who withdraws after participating in the first game of the season or beyond shall ***not*** be entitled to a refund of the registration fee.

4. Fundraiser fees are non refundable.

5. **All Drop requests must be submitted no later than by October 13, 2012.**

Procedure:

1. **Parent:** The parent requesting the drop must obtain a Player Drop Form, fill out the "Parent" section, sign, and mail the form to the AYSO P.O. Box 2308, Riverside, CA 92516 or email the drop request form to treasurer@ayso47.org, This form can be obtained from the website ww.ayso47.org under "Documents/Resources" called the "Player Drop Form". **Do not turn in this form to the information booth or a coordinator.**

2. **Coach:** The team coach must send the White copy of the Player Registration Form to the AYSO P.O. Box 2308, Riverside, CA 92516, or turn it in to the division coordinator. Do not turn this form in at the Information booth.

3. **Treasurer/Chief Coordinator:** The Treasurer/Chief Coordinator must insure that the Player Drop form and the Original Player Registration form are completely filled out and Sign off on the drop in order to process the refund.

4. Please allow up to 30 days for a Refund (if approved) to be processed.

Parent Complete

Player name: _____ Date of Drop: _____

Address: _____ Parent Name: _____

_____ Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Division: _____

I am requesting that the player named above be dropped from further participation in ASO Region 47 and a refund be issued in accordance with AYSO Region 47 "Player Drop and Refund" policy; and Regional Guidelines

Date: _____ Signature (Parent or Guardian) _____

Reason for Drop: _____

To be completed by AYSO Staff Only:(**Verify with Coordinator)**

Coordinator Name: _____ Team #: _____

Attended any practice? _____ Phone: _____

Attended any games? _____

Uniform returned? _____

Safety Forms

Contact the region Safety Director at **safetydirector@ayso47.org**

www.ayso.org National Forms:

AYSO Risk Management Forms

SAI Claim Form with Instructions (English)

Incident Report Form with Instructions

Participation Release Form

General Release Form

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) Concussion information.

CDC "Heads Up" Concussion Action Plan

AYSO/CDC Information Sheet

AYSO/CDC Information Sheet (One Page)

CDC Heads Up Online Concussion Training

Field Inspection Hazard

Field Coordinators, referees and coaches should be the last line of defense when dealing with field safety. Everyone should be involved in making sure the fields are safe for AYSO players. Make sure everyone involved in practice and game days knows what to look for in order to keep the fields free from safety hazards.

Field Inspection Hazard List

Goal Safety

Portable soccer goals can tip over, causing injury and even death. How to anchor and store your portable soccer goals, where to get warning stickers, more.

Goal Safety Checklist
Consumer Product Safety Commission's Guide to Goalpost Safety

Video: Soccer Goals Pose Risks to Kids