



TOURNAMENT TEAM PLAYERS AND PARENTS COMMITMENT LETTER 2018-2019

Dear Parents:

October 28th, 2018

We are pleased to invite your child to play on a tournament team for the 2018-2019 tournament season. Participation on a team is an honor and a privilege, not an entitlement. Along with the honor come responsibilities and commitments. To help you make a fully informed decision whether to accept our invitation, this letter describes the nature of the commitments that are expected from Post Season players and their parents. Please provide us with your affirmative response by returning a fully signed copy of this letter to the tournament coach within 24 hours of receipt.

Player and Parent Commitments

1. To make AYSO soccer your 1st priority over other sports or afterschool/weekend activities from the beginning of the tournament season through the end of the tournament season;
2. To timely make all advance payments necessary for the tournaments that your team has decided to enter;
3. **To volunteer 10 hours per player at our own Beverly Hills Sportsmanship Cup in December as Field Directors, Field Monitors, Referees or in any other fashion as requested by the Tournament Directors through your coach.** Volunteer requirements may require a parent to miss one of their player's games. Every attempt will be made to minimize this but avoiding it cannot be assured. If you have more than one player in your family playing on a team, you will be asked to determine which team is your priority for scheduling as we can only schedule around one player's team. In that situation it is highly likely that you will also miss at least one game played by the team you do not identify as your priority. It is up to the coach to make the final determination about how a team's individual cup assignments are assigned;
4. **To volunteer to referee in tournaments in the event that you are certified referees;**
5. To otherwise volunteer as needed by the coach if you (parents) are not certified referees, and to be generally supportive of the tournament team players, coach, and Region 76;
6. **On average, you will be expected to volunteer at least 10 hours** over the course of the tournament season at Tournaments, scrimmages, Spring League games, practices, etc. Please note that the greatest volunteer need a team has is referees and parents should do as much as possible to spread the referee workload around equally among all the families on the team;
7. **To conduct yourselves appropriately at all times while at tournaments, with the knowledge that you are representing Region 76 at all tournaments at which you appear.** This includes, but is not limited to, being courteous to the referees at all times regardless of whether you agree with their calls; being courteous to the opposing team's players and coaches at all times regardless if they are courteous to you; and complying with all tournament rules; **A parent's behavior can result in the suspension or removal of a player from the team.**

Player Initials: _____

Parent Initials: _____



- 8. To comply with all game related requests of your team’s coach including, but not limited to, what position(s) to play; what quarters to play; and what strategies and tactics to use;
- 9. To timely attend the team practices (typically one-two practices per week depending on coach/player availability), and tournaments. In the event of injury, illness, emergency, or any other reason, you must inform the coach sufficiently in advance of any practices or games that you cannot attend. We may select more players for a team than the maximum number allowed on a tournament’s roster. This is to allow for emergencies and still have a full roster of players. If there are no emergencies, then players will take turns sitting out a tournament; and,
- 10. To comply with all rulings and other decisions made by the Regional Commissioner.

Consequences of Non-Compliance

Failure to honor any of these commitments may, after consultation with the team coach and approval of the Commissioner, result in any or all of the following consequences: (a) reduction of playing time in tournament games consistent with National and Tournament rules; (b) being left off the roster for tournament games; (c) suspension from the team; (d) loss of eligibility for future tournament teams; (e) disallowing a problem parent from attending games; (f) parents may also be sanctioned directly by restricting attendance at games or tournaments; and (g) such other appropriate consequences as may be approved by the Commissioner.

Our full rules and guidelines regarding tournament team coaches and players and for the conduct of such teams are set out on our website (<http://www.ayso76.org/PostSeason/postseason.cfm>). The tournament team program is subject to oversight by the Region.

On behalf of Region 76, we thank you for participating and volunteering and we look forward to your child’s participation and a great tournament season.

Sincerely,

Alex Grossman

Region 76 Commissioner

AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED

 Player Name

 Player Signature

 Date

 Parent Name

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