

Coaches Information

Welcome to the Troy Soccer Club

The Troy Soccer Club is a recreational soccer program managed by a group of volunteers operating under the Tri-Township Park District. Our objective is to provide Troy and the surrounding communities the opportunity to participate in organized youth soccer program that offers instruction and league play; to promote a spirit of fair play and good sportsmanship; to strengthen character and develop good citizenship; to promote public interest in the game of soccer.

Soccer provides a healthy environment that promotes self-esteem, exercise, the values of hard work, teamwork, and commitment. Children are our priority. Soccer is our vehicle to help them achieve their potential in a fun, healthy, and educational sports environment.

Since 1989, The Troy Soccer Club has provided youth soccer programs to Troy and the surrounding Communities.



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Coaches Tips

The Troy Soccer Club fall recreational season runs from August 22, 2006 – October 28, 2006. Our uniforms include the following: Soccer jersey, shorts, and socks. Each player keeps their uniform. Players **must** wear shin guards during practices and games. Soccer shoes or gym shoe are acceptable, baseball shoes are not acceptable because of the front toe cleat. No jewelry should be worn during practice and games.

We have a 14 game season which includes two practice games and twelve regular season games. Children from age 4 to 17 are eligible to play in one of our 10 divisions. All games are played at the Tri-Township Park. U8 – U18 divisions will have an opportunity to play on one of the six lighted Fields. Game standings are kept for the U10 – U18 divisions. No standings are kept for the U6 & U8 divisions, U6 is a coed division. The U6 & U8 Divisions use a size 3 soccer ball, U10 & U12 Divisions use a size 4 soccer ball. The U15 & U18 Divisions uses a size 5 soccer ball.

Boys and Girls divisions are organized as follows:

U 18 Players born 9/1/88 – 8/31/91 (Girls Division)	U 10 Players born 9/1/96 – 8/31/98
U 15 Players born 9/1/91 – 8/31/94	U 08 Players born 9/1/98 – 8/31/00
U 12 Players born 9/1/94 – 8/31/96	U 06 Players born 9/1/00 – 8/31/02 (Coed)

Important TSC Dates

June 8	Teams are selected. Coaches should contact Players by the end of June.
July 15	Coaches clinic, 10 AM – 12 PM.
July 17-20	Touch on the ball soccer camp @ Tri-Township Park.
July 21/22	Participate with us in Troy Homecoming Parade.
August 5	Field day. Prepare the fields for the season, 8 AM – 12 PM. We need volunteers to assist.
August 12	Referee clinic (day 1), 1 PM – 4 PM
August 14	Referee clinic (day 2), 6 PM – 8 PM
August 22	Season begins.

Volunteers needed

The Troy Soccer Club is managed by a group of volunteers. We need your help! We have many volunteer opportunities available. Talk to a board member for more information.

Coaches Code of Conduct

The Code of Ethics has been developed to clarify and distinguish ethical and approved behavior from those practices that are detrimental. The Code's secondary purpose is to promote soccer by stressing the proper functions expected of coaches in their dealings with this organization, players, and the public.

There can be not success of this Code of Ethics without the consent and support of those for whom it was established -- the soccer coaches.

1. The coach must never place the value of winning over the safety and welfare of his players. Winning should be the result of preparation and discipline with considerable emphasis placed on the highest societal ideals and character traits.
2. The laws of soccer were written to insure a continuous flow of action. These laws have the safety of the players as their primary goal. Coaches must always play within these rules and never seek unfair advantage by teaching deliberate unsportsman like behavior to their players. Coaches have a responsibility not to tolerate these types of behavior from their players regardless of the situation. Winning without boasting and losing without bitterness are lessons players can and should learn from the coach.
3. Coaches must be acquainted thoroughly with the rules of soccer. They are responsible for seeing that their players understand the intent as well as the application of the rules of the game.
4. Coaches must adhere to the letter and spirit of the rules.
5. Coaches who circumvent the rules to gain an advantage have no place in coaching youth soccer.
6. Coaches are responsible for their players' actions on the field. Roughhouse tactics, illegal substitutions and deliberate faking of injuries are prohibited.
7. Coaches must not permit their players to perform with the intent of causing injury to opposing players.
8. If coaches permit, encourage or condone performance that is not in the letter of spirit of the laws, they become derelict in their responsibilities to their players, their organization and the sport. They must constantly strive to teach good sportsmanship; nothing less is acceptable.
9. A coach's behavior must be such as to bring credit to himself, this organization, and soccer.
10. Rival coaches should meet prior to the game and exchange friendly greetings.
11. Soccer coaches have a responsibility to be as inconspicuous as possible during a game. Coaches are encouraged to exhibit a friendly and kindly attitude toward their players. The attitude of coaches toward officials should be controlled and undemonstrative.
12. It shall be considered unethical for a coach to have any verbal dissent during the game with an opposing coach or bench. Physically contacting an opposing player must be considered behavior detrimental to the game and highly unethical.
13. Coaches need to use their influence on friendly crowds that demonstrate intimidative behavior that might lead to a player injury.



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