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Emails will be responded to within 24 hours: if no response is received – please resend.

Telephone Calls: As Needed

Information to include in **ALL** correspondence:

- Coach Full Name
- Club (e.g. Wilmington)
- Team# (e.g. BU12-4)
- Division (e.g. 3A)
- GAMEID (if about a specific game)

Please save us both some time by **including all information** above in correspondence. Missing information results in delays to your questions.

IMPORTANT NOTES FOR SPRING:

Wear your lanyard and have your rosters and player ID cards with you for ALL games. No exceptions

April Vacation Games: Vacation is not a valid reason to reschedule a game; see admin rulebook for specifics.

Memorial Day Games: Games are scheduled on Memorial Day weekend this year. You need to treat it like a make up even if it is played on the day it is scheduled. Talk to your opponent ASAP to find out if you want to play it as scheduled. If you are the home team you already the email to start the reschedule process. It must be played before 5/29.

Player Pass: You are allowed to use the player pass in the spring. You cannot use it for post-season play. All information must be sent as league rules require.

<https://www.sportsmanager.us/%5CDocuments%5CMYSL%5C25787.pdf>

Regular Season Reschedules: Must be rescheduled in a timely manner and must be approved by the Age Directors a minimum of 72 hours before the reschedule date.

Online Request to Reschedule: If you need to reschedule a game for a valid reason use the online procedure. You can find instructions on the league home page.

Online Reschedule Procedure: If your game is canceled it needs to be rescheduled. The home coach will receive an email to start the reschedule. You can find instructions on the league home page.

Boys U12 can use Monday through Saturday for make-up games if your town has a field available. Sunday make-ups cannot be approved/scheduled in the spring due to referee availability.

END OF IMPORTANT NOTES SECTION: See end of document for post-season play information

Administrative Rules Handbook

Found at: <http://www.middlesexsoccer.org> . Please **read** the document

Equipment: Make sure you know the rules on equipment. **Note that jewelry of any kind cannot be worn (except medical or specific religious jewelry).**

• **NO pierced earrings!!!** If one of your players just got his ears pierced, he'll have to sit the game out. Referees decision on these matters is final. It doesn't matter if the ref you had last week allowed it. You can't put a piece of tape or band-aid over the earring.

Schedule: Confirm your game time and field location every week. Schedules change because of field availability and conditions. High School teams have priority over youth soccer teams.

Referees:

- No game can be played without a referee. All calls are final.
- **Zero Tolerance Policy:** no coach, player or parent is permitted to abuse a referee physically or verbally before, during or after a game. Violations will be investigated and dealt with appropriately by the league. Punishments can include a lifetime expulsion from the league, MYSA and USYSA.
- If a referee does not show up at a game, and both coaches agree to have a parent or coach referee the game, that referee is treated the same as a league assigned referee. If you both agreed to a volunteer, then don't complain about the results after the fact.
- When league assigned referees deem the field unplayable then the game is cancelled. Volunteer referees do not apply in this situation.

Referee Evaluations:

Get the referee's name prior to the start of game. Fill out the evaluations. We do read them.

Evaluations are emailed to coaches after games. Please be constructive and provide specific examples, details, and rationale. The feedback is used for development (especially for young referees)

Reporting Scores:

- You should always ask the ref what he/she has for a score before they leave the field. The score they have is the official score.
- Report scores in Sportsmanager within 48 hours. Links to report scores are emailed to HOME coaches via Sportsmanager within 48 hours of completion. You can log on and report your score.
- If the Home Coach did not receive an email with the scoring link, then check the web site to see if the opposing coach already reported the score.
- Report incorrect scores to me via email (with a cc to opposing coach). I will check what the ref had for a score and make the change.

Game Cancellations/Postponements Due to Inclement Weather **Towns decide when fields are unplayable**.

Field closings listed at: <http://www.sportsmanager.us/links/MYSL/AreaClosings.asp>

- Please don't call me the day of a game and ask to move to a new location; games require coordination with the Referee Coordinator. If your field is closed, it's closed and you need to make the game up.

Rescheduling Games: Follow process in MYSL Admin Rulebook.

- **All coaches must communicate with each other on the day of the game if a field is closed.**
- Both teams are responsible to work out a make-up date.
- Home Coaches work with their town Field Scheduler **FIRST** to get days/times for the make-up game **and offer at least three (3)** alternative days/times to the Away coach within 7 days of the original date.
- After the coaches agree on a date, and the field is reserved, log into Sports Manger using the link you will receive via email. If you don't receive the email let me know.
- No make ups will be allowed on Sunday. Late day Saturday make-ups may be allowed if a field and ref are available. Make up games can't begin before 6:00 PM weekdays. The refs work and have to travel to the field.
- If coaches can't agree on a date, email me with all the information that led up to the impasse and cc the opposing coach in the email.

Please read the Administrative Rules about the criteria for Rescheduling games that are not postponed due to inclement weather. Follow these instructions to request a reschedule:

<http://www.sportsmanager.us/%5CDocuments%5CMYSL%5C22847.pdf>

Only games that meet the criteria for "rescheduling" will be approved. Vacations are not a valid reschedule request. I will ask for names, email addresses and documentation regarding the reason to reschedule.

Post Season Play

Commissioner's Cup 2018 Dates: June 16th/17th Location Woburn .

Per League rulebook Pages 40-42

Middlesex Soccer League:

Volunteers run this league. The Annual meeting is scheduled in May. Date and details are listed on the MYSL web site. Please come to the meeting and participate. Many positions will be voted on at this meeting. If you would like to be on the Board, work as an Age Director, etc., we would be grateful for your participation. If there is interest, let me know and I can advise you on what positions are available.

Have a great season!

**John Parks
GU14 D3/D4/D5 Age Director**

