

MYSA Spring 2019 Coaches Meeting Agenda

1. Thank You!
2. It Is a Game! Have Fun!
3. Support MYSA on/off the field, fundraising, events, recruiting volunteers, coaches, etc.
4. Communication. Communication. Communication.
Sportsmanager email & www.sportsmanager.us/TeamApp
Use chain of command
5. Malden Youth Soccer Association is part of the Middlesex Youth Soccer League
Go to www.middlesexsoccer.org to access important information, Rules, Guides for Coaches, Players and Parents, etc.
6. Mass Youth ID, CORI and Background Verification
All coaches, team managers and anyone involved in coaching or supporting a team MUST be CORI approved and must be wearing their current MassYouth ID in order to be allowed on the field.
7. Concussions and other injuries
 - Heads Up Concussion in Youth Sports tool kit and information available at www.cdc.gov/ConcussionInYouthSports
 - Coaches online training <http://www.cdc.gov/headsup/youthsports/training/index.html>
 - Injured player cannot go back in the game until he is evaluated by the coach on the sideline.
 - Any head injury requires a longer evaluation. Do not put player back in until you are certain that the player is OK. When In Doubt Sit It Out!
 - Call 911 if Immediate Attention is necessary
8. Safety, Accident & Injury Reporting
 - All injuries must be reported to the applicable league coordinator and the VP
 - Keep a copy of the Team Info Report with you at all practices and games
 - No headers for U12 and younger players. More information on the Mass Youth heading policy change due to US Youth Soccer's Recognize to Recover (R2R) Policy can be found on website at MYSA Heading Ruling
 - The updated Handbook is posted on the MYSL website.
2018 -2019 Middlesex Youth Soccer Official Rules Handbook.
9. Sportsmanship
 - You as coach, role model and representative of MYSA and Malden
 - Coaches Code of Conduct & Zero Tolerance Policy

TOPSoccer:

MYSA continues its TOPSoccer Program this spring.
Saturday 10:30 – 11:30* parallel to the regular season schedule
TOPSoccer Buddies training will be held prior to first game.
Volunteer & Community Service Opportunities for HS players & non players

Development:

1. Training manuals & Practice Plans
 - MYSA Website – go to “For Coaches” link.
 - User ID: myscoaches. Password Mys2013
 - MassYouthSoccer website
 - YouTube
2. Mass Youth Soccer Coaches Licensing Courses:
 - GK Clinic Friday Nights, 7:00 at Linden Park
 - 4v4, 7v7, 9v9 & 11v11 Grass Roots Courses

Referee Training Courses& Mentoring:

MYSA encourages any interested players and coaches to become certified as a Referee.
MYSA provides reimbursement for the training after participation for one season of play.
Go to massref.net for information on upcoming courses

Fundraising & Volunteer Coordinator:

1. Coaches responsibilities – Support MYSA on and off the field
2. Cash calendar annual fundraiser – Changes for 2019
3. Soctoberfest, Banquets, Field Days & Special Events
4. MYSA Night at the Revs
5. Photos, banquets, misc. events

Travel Coordinator:

MYSL Schedule

- Game schedule available online at Sportsmanager
<http://www.sportsmanager.us/maldenyouthsoccer.htm>
- 2018 - 2019 Middlesex Youth Soccer Official Rules Handbook and Guides to Coaches, Player & Fan Conduct are posted on the MYSL website.

Cancelling and Rescheduling games.

MYSL has specific ***Cancellation*** and ***Reschedule Procedures***. The automated procedure for rescheduling games is activated when games are cancelled.

- Must check with field coordinator for the field availability.
- Must agree with the opposing coach (helps if you do that before you start the automated process).
- If you have a home game, please agree on a date with the opposing coach within first two weeks of the season.
- Rain Outs, Placeholders and Holiday Weekend Games

Red Card Procedure

- If a player receives a card (any card) during the game let TC know the same day. Red cards from previous seasons roll over to following season

Referee Relations

- Do not engage referees – see Zero Tolerance Policy
- Stay on the sideline in the technical area and stay cool.
- Be respectful of referees
- Do not argue or confront referee during or after game
- Fill out referee evaluation after every game

Team captains: Rotate or Permanent – Coaches Preference

- Appoint team captains for each game – make sure that the referee knows who they are and what their function is

Town Player Pass – ***See MYSL Rules of the game***

- Must let TC know before the game start.
- Know your player availability – this rule is only useful if you take advantage of it
- Emphasis is for the development of the player and playing up, NOT to give advantage to a team.
- Not applicable during post season play

SportsManager:

- Roster management, schedules, standings
- Emailing team
- Scoring game
- Uploading photos
- Assigning Jersey Numbers

Equipment Manager:

Travel Team equipment & uniform needs

Contact Rick Caceda at equipment@maldenyouthsoccer.org

Field Coordinator:

- Coach must be present at all practices and games.
- Practice schedule – view at google docs
- When and where you can schedule make-up home games
- Permit vs non-permit access
- Locks, keys, securing equipment and chains
- Light Keys
- Fields availability and access – Turf Field Rules
- Coaches MUST return and secure all equipment and goals at the end of the practice & games

Questions & Open Discussion

Thank you!

Adjourn

Dear Travel coaches,

This is an important email about the practice fields this season. Please read the whole thing.

Sharing fields with other teams

Many assignments have 3 teams sharing the same time slot. You will need to divide the field into 3 (2 ends and a middle). There are typically only 2 nets at a field. Coaches are responsible for alternating fairly for days with nets. Each team should have 1 day without a net, for every 2 days with a net. I encourage you to start email communication with the coaches who share your slots. You can find email addresses on the [coaches tab of the schedule sheet](#).

Again, nets are NOT first-come-first-serve. Please alternate fairly. If there are disagreements, I will sadly arbitrate.

Cleaning up

If your team used a net, and there is not another team actively waiting to use it, you are responsible for returning the net to its locked storage location. Please also be sure not to leave trash (yes, disposable plastic water bottles are trash) on the field. Encourage your players to pick up after themselves.

Lights at Linden

If your practice is at Linden, lights will need to be turned on and off. Designated key bearers are:

- Wednesdays - Doug Danoff - 508.243.9688
- Thursdays - Glauder Oliveira -
- Fridays - Cam Aristil -
- Backup: Kenny Antonucci - 781.879.2747

PLEASE - NEVER be the last team to leave Linden with the lights still on. If they are left on, please contact both Doug Danoff (508.243.9688) and Kenny Antonucci (781.879.2747)

Lights at Pine Banks RF1 and McDonald Stadium

The lights at Pine Banks and McDonald Stadium are controlled automatically by the city. If they do not come on for your scheduled practice, contact all of the following:

- Doug Danoff (508.243.9688)
- Kenny Antonucci (781.879.2747)
- Laura Perez from Malden (781.771.5464)

Grass (CLOSED) and Turf Fields

The city is keeping the grass fields closed until further notice. We cannot use them until we are notified. The turf fields are available starting tomorrow (3/25).

NEW TURF POLICY

I will be starting a new policy this season. If the trend of extremely wet weather continues, I will be distributing our turf time across all teams in an attempt to provide all teams with at least 1 practice per week. If your practice is on grass, and is cancelled more than 2 days in a week, you can request turf time from me at least 24 hours in advance. If your practice is on turf and I need your space, I will notify the coaches using this email address, and your practice will be cancelled.

We have some time on the Stadium turf for the next few Sundays. If your weeknight practices are cancelled due to grass condition, and you want some of this time, let me know and I will see what I can arrange.

5:30 start times - At Risk

Several practice times start at 5:30. Our permits do not start until 6:00. The Malden schools have the right to occupy these fields until 6:00. This is typical for us. We normally schedule to start at 5:30 because the schools typically do not use the fields at this time. If a field is occupied at this time by a permitted group, warm up off to the side and let me know so I can adjust the schedule.