

# **Easthampton Youth Soccer Association Recreation Policy**

## **APPOINTMENT OF COACHES**

- A. All coaching positions shall be publicized. All positions shall be deemed vacant each year and tenure shall not be awarded.
- B. Should more coaches apply than are positions available, coaching pairs shall be formed.
- C. Each appointed coach shall consent to the Criminal Offenses Records Investigations (CORI) background checks.

## **SELECTION OF PLAYERS**

- A. All players registered for Recreational play shall be placed on a team.
- B. Should the appointed coach or coaching pair have children that they have registered for recreational play, they shall be placed on their team.
- C. Recreational teams shall be comprised as follows:
  - Grades K-1 will have up to 12 players.
  - Grades 2-3 will have up to 12 players.
  - Grades 4-5 will have up to 12 players.
  - Grades 6-8 will have up to 18 players.
- D. Coaches, the division representative from that grade division as well as the Registrar will be selecting the players for each team.

## **COACHES RESPONSIBILITIES**

- A. Coaches are encouraged to attend all coaches training activities offered by EYSA and to attend clinics or obtain coaching licenses sponsored by the Massachusetts Youth Soccer Association.
- B. Coaches shall run organized practice sessions that teach the players soccer skills, position play, game strategies, as well as build endurance and strength.
- C. Coaches shall be responsible for the safety of their players. Coaches shall further be responsible for the actions of their players during practices and games, and shall not tolerate unsportsmanlike behavior or behavior that endangers other players.
- D. Coaches will be provided by EYSA with a ball bag, balls and a medical kit. Any other team purchases shall be the sole responsibility of the coach.
- E. The registration fee for any dependents of coaches that have obtained at least a U.S. Soccer "G" coaching license shall be waived. One half of the registration fee for any dependents of coaches that attend a designated EYSA coaching clinic shall be waived.

Adopted by majority vote of the Board of Directors on April 28, 2010.