

# Coaches Agreement



North Rutherford Soccer (NRS) is committed to encouraging player development in a recreational atmosphere. Please remember that our primary goal is for all our players to have an enjoyable soccer experience while developing skills. All coaches shall sign and abide by the following "Rules for Coaches"

1. All coaches must be licensed. NRS and the Town of Smyrna require coaches attend an entry level-coaching clinic within their 1<sup>st</sup> year of coaching.
2. The coach is responsible for the actions of the team, assistant coaches, parents, and spectators, and must set a good example of sportsmanship and appropriate conduct. Should a coach have difficulties disciplining assistants or parents, this must be brought to the attention of the Division Coaching Director.
3. U-05, U-06, U-07, U-08, U-09, U-10, and U-12 players are expected to learn and play all aspects of the game and play offense and defense each match. NRS is designed to develop all players' skills without the pressure of intense competition.
4. In the U-09 and U-10 Divisions, a different goalkeeper is required each quarter.
5. All players will play at least one-half of every match. It is the coach's responsibility to ensure this is followed.
6. Always encourage and praise your players. Never humiliate, curse at, yell at, or put down a player(s) during a match or practice. *NEVER* take hold of any player in anger.
7. Get the best possible team parent to organize events for the team.
8. Know each player's nicknames, allergies, medications, handicaps, and any other information that will help you work with them.
9. Do not yell at or question the referees or linespersons during a match. Questions regarding referees should be directed to the Director of Referees.
10. Practices will be limited to two (2) per week no more than one (1) hour in duration.
11. No coach, assistant, or parent shall be allowed to run the length of the field during a match. Coaching from the sidelines is to be kept at a minimum. Let the players play. Instruct them at practices.
12. Coaches and assistant coaches should be on the opposite side of field from parents, within the designated area of the coach's box.
13. **No player may participate unless they are properly registered. No player may be added to a roster without the approval of the Director of Registration.**
14. Complaints about a coach's conduct will be reviewed by the Vice President of Coaches, with a recommendation submitted to the Executive Board of Directors. As necessary, disciplinary action will be taken, including expulsion from NRS.
15. Ensure that all player evaluation forms are completed and turned into the Division Coaching Director each season.
16. Any deviation from these rules will result in the proper disciplinary action taken by the Executive Board of Directors.
17. Sign and ensure compliance with the NRS Coaches Agreement and First Aid Guidelines.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read and agree to abide by the North Rutherford  
*Print Name*  
Soccer By-laws and Coach's Agreement.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_