

Coaches Responsibilities



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Youth Soccer

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What do I need to know as a Volunteer Coach? What responsibilities do I have?

First, thank you for volunteering your time as a volunteer coach within our Sports Program. Our program exists because of your generosity as a volunteer. Our program has a vision that states: *Closely following the mission of the YMCA, the Tuckahoe Family YMCA offers Youth Sports programs to all children that instills the values reflecting YMCA character development: caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. The team philosophy is to promote youth sports in a fun filled environment while teaching the basic skills of competitive sports. The YMCA provides services to all families without regard to race, religion, or financial status.*

As a volunteer coach, there are many responsibilities throughout the season. It is crucial that you try your best to make sure that all these responsibilities are completed. Below you will find everything you need to know as a coach and the responsibilities that are required of you:

I need to know...

- The soccer season runs from Saturday, September 10th – Saturday, November 5th.
- You need to make contact with all kids on your team **no later than Sunday, September 4th**. If the contact information for a player is inaccurate, please contact the Youth Sports Department.
- Each child will receive a participant trophy or medal from the YMCA.
- For the 6 and under divisions, soccer balls will be provided at your game site
- To contact other coaches on my team to prepare for the season (if there are coaches already designated).
- **The Inclement Weather Hotline for sports is 729-4639**
- That the YMCA will extend the season by one week if a makeup is needed due to cancellation by inclement weather. All additional games cancelled due to weather are no guaranteed but will be considered for make-up based on field space and availability.
- That labeled on the game schedules is the explanation of what jersey color to wear each game (WHITE = home team, RED = away team)

My responsibilities are...

- To attend all games, if you are unable to attend, please contact a parent(s) on your team that can take your place in your absence.
- To read the Coach Handbook very carefully as league guidelines and rules are thoroughly explained.
- To communicate with the parents on your team on a consistent basis (phone, email, etc...) about schedules changes, picture schedules, team parties, etc...
- To include every child in every team activity
- To develop practice and game plans for your team that involve skill development drills, games and value lessons (i.e. take time to research practice drills and games for kids on your team)

MORE INFORMATION ON BACK...

In your coach's email and at the coaches meeting, you will find the following items:

Team Roster – contact information for all players on your team

Division Rules – each grade division has their own set of rules

Coaches Responsibility Sheet – additional information for you the coach

Concussion Handout – telling you the basic signs of concussions

Game Schedule – list of games your team is scheduled to play

Other links that will help:

www.footy4kids.co.uk

www.soccerxpert.com/DrillsAgeSpecific.aspx

www.ayso.org/resources/coach_res/coach_training_games.aspx

www.usyouthsoccer.org/coaches

www.coachingsoccer101.com

www.soccerhelp.com/index.shtml

[Http://Training.ymca.net](http://Training.ymca.net)

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