

FALL 2009

Coaches Meeting August 6, 2009





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Fall 2009 Season

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Hendersonville Soccer Club

Recreational League Policies

Spring 2009

TRAFFIC AND PARKING

1. Do not stop and unload players on the road between the low water bridge and the back parking area. This impedes traffic flow and creates a potential hazard.
2. There is no parking anywhere along the road between the low water bridge and the back parking area.
3. There is no general public parking behind the concession buildings. All spaces posted are reserved.
4. Violators are subject to being ticketed and/or towed by the Hendersonville Park Rangers.

FORMATION OF TEAMS:

1. The league goal is to form teams that have parity.
2. Players are rated by their coaches at the end of each season. These ratings are utilized to assign players to teams for the next season. The intent is to form teams that are balanced.
3. "Playing up" is not recommended by HSL. Players that desire to play up must have the approval of both Division Directors affected.
4. Permission may be granted by the Board of Directors to "play down" in special circumstances.

TRADING PLAYERS:

1. Trading players after teams have been formed is avoided if possible. Circumstances do occur that makes trading necessary.
2. If a trade occurs, it can only be conducted by the Division Director.
3. If you are aware that trading has occurred in any other manner, please contact a HSL Board Member.

CASTS:

1. Players may not participate wearing any cast, even if the cast is padded.

PLAYING TIME:

1. Each player must be provided the opportunity to play three quarters before any other player is allowed to participate in the entire game.
2. Players that do not attend practice may be limited to playing two quarters of the game. This may occur only after the coach discusses the issue with the Division Director and a parent of the player.
3. Coaches may not arbitrarily disregard this rule.
4. Players are limited to playing no more than one (1) quarter per game as goalie in age division U10 and younger.

PRACTICES:

1. Practices are limited to the team's two (2) assigned practice days.
2. Each practice session is not to exceed forty five (45) minutes for U4 – U6 divisions and sixty (60) minutes for U7 and older divisions. Scrimmages or other practice activities continuing beyond the assigned practice session are not permitted. Practice with a paid trainer or coach is not permitted.
3. Coaches are not allowed to require more practice time than is outlined here. In addition, coaches are not allowed to schedule practices at any location other than the one assigned by HSC, specifically Drakes Creek Park.

MINIMIZE PLAYS IN GOAL AND PENALTY AREAS:

1. No practice activities other than finishing drills are to be conducted within the goal and penalty areas.
2. **There are to be no practice activities conducted in these areas when the areas have received heavy rain.** This is necessary to minimize the amount of compaction that occurs in the goal and penalty areas. A "bowled-out" area is created by the compaction. The "bowled-out" area holds water. It is the combination of compaction and holding water that prevents the Bermuda grass from recovering and reestablishing itself.

GOAL SAFETY

1. All of the goals have been anchored for safety purposes.
2. Do not unanchor or move goals as this creates a safety and liability problem.
3. There is to be no hanging from the cross bars or climbing on the nets.
4. Violators are subject to separation from league activities.

GAMES

1. Games are generally scheduled on Saturdays but may be scheduled during the week.
2. There is a tournament scheduled in September which will close the fields for practice for the recreational league from Wednesday, September 23rd to Sunday, September 27th. There will be no recreational games or practices that weekend. The week of October 5th to October 9th practices are optional. There can be no required recreational practices held October 12th to October 16th due to Fall Break.
3. See calendar attached and check website for updates throughout the season.

RAINOUPS

Practices:

- Call the City Sportsline, 264-5313 or go to <http://www.eteamz.com/hendparks>
- If the fields are closed, practices are cancelled. Practices will not be rescheduled or made-up later in the week.

Games:

- Games are rarely cancelled. If a game is cancelled, it will be done on the field, at game time.
- Players should report to the fields, ready to play their scheduled game.
- Only the President or his/her designee may cancel or reschedule games.
- If a 9:00am game(s) is cancelled, that **does not** indicate that later games are canceled. A decision is made for each scheduled time and field, based on weather and field conditions.

Website:

The HSC web site can be accessed for cancellation information at:
www.hendersonvillesoccerclub.com or Parks Department web site at:
<http://www.eteamz.com/hendparks> .

PICTURES:

1. Team and individual pictures are taken at the beginning of each season. Pictures are scheduled for Saturday, September 12 and Saturday, September 19.
2. Coaches should have players at the picture area 1 (one) hour before their game.
3. Pictures are taken at the concession stand near Field 10.

CONCESSION RESPONSIBILITY:

1. Each age division has the responsibility to work the concession stand one week out of the season.
2. Encourage your parents to accept this responsibility when asked to help with your team obligation. Coaches and spouses should not have to work the concession stand.
3. This obligation is generally for a two-hour period.
4. Children under the age of sixteen (16) are not permitted to work in the concession stand areas.

LOST & FOUND:

1. An area is maintained at the concession building for this purpose.
2. Items not claimed within thirty (30) days are donated to the Goodwill.

REFEREES

1. All referees are certified by USSF.
2. To become certified, a referee must attend sixteen (16) hours of instruction and pass a written examination.
3. To maintain certification, the referee must attend a minimum of five (50 hours off continuing education annually and also pass a written examination.
4. The league is always in need of new referees. Please contact Frank Rosch or a league representative if you are interested.

POLICY
DEALING WITH COMPLAINTS
REVIEWED, MAY 01, 2002

Numerous types of complaints are registered with league officials during the year. The following guidelines will provide direction in handling these complaints.

1. The complaint must be in writing and include the signature of the individual registering the complaint.

2. The written complaint will be directed to the Hendersonville Soccer League Board of Directors for action. The letter can be given to a board member or mailed to the league address. The league address is:

HENDERSONVILLE SOCCER CLUB
P.O. BOX 1122
HENDERSONVILLE, TENNESSEE 37077-1122

In the event that immediate action must be taken, the Executive Committee may respond, and act for the Board.

3. Complaints directed toward coaches, referees, players, league officials, or parents will be handled as follows:
 - a) The Board will send a letter to the individual detailing the complaint **THE ORIGINAL LETTER OF COMPLAINT WILL NOT BE SENT, A NEW LETTER WILL BE DRAFTED** The letter will ask them to reply to the Board with any comments concerning the allegations. Their reply must be received within seven (7) days following the mailing of the letter from the Board.

 - b) The Board will consider the complaint along with the reply from the implicated individual.

 - c) The Board will decide what action if any is warranted.

 - d) The Board will provide feedback concerning the outcome and any actions taken to the parties involved. The feedback will be in written form and be mailed seven (7) days after the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

 - e) The league secretary will maintain the written complaint, reply from the accused, and the Boards written reply.

Guidelines for Conducting a Team Meeting

All coaches should plan to conduct a team meeting with the parents to provide general information for the upcoming season. Provide written information for your parents to include the following information. A sample letter is attached if you'd like to use it.

1. Name of Coach and Assistant Coach.
2. Phone number of Coach and Assistant Coach.
3. Practice days, field number, and practice times.
4. Provide team roster
5. Provide game schedule
6. Provide refreshment schedule for games or delegate this responsibility to the team parent.
7. Review league policies:
 - Shin guards, shoes, water, and ball to each practice.
 - Issue of playing in the goal and penalty areas, compaction/holding water.
 - Rainout policy for practices and games.
8. Ask for a volunteer to serve as team parent.
 - Develops team phone chain, distributes to parents,
 - Obtains team email addresses, distributes to team parents.
 - Plans end of season team party.
9. Discuss team concession stand responsibility. Provide date and times.
10. Any other information as appropriate.

Hendersonville Soccer League

Rules of Play

Whereas the Hendersonville Soccer League is affiliated with the United States Soccer Federation, league games will be played according to **FIFA Laws of the Game** unless otherwise specified in these Rules of Play.

Law 1: The Field of Play:

Field size may be modified by the Board of Directors to meet the needs of a given division.

Spectators are to remain two yards from the touchlines.

No Coaches, Players, or Spectators are allowed behind the goal line.

Coaches are to remain on their respective halves of the field between the midfield line and the penalty area line. **There may be only one head coach and one assistant coach on the team side of the field during games.**

Law 2: The Ball:

The game ball is provided by the home team at the beginning of the game. The home team is listed first on the schedule.

Ball size # 3 ... will be used in U5, U6, U7 divisions.

Ball size # 4 ... will be used in U8, U9, U10, U11 and U12 divisions.

Ball size # 5 ... will be used in U13 and older divisions.

Law 3: Number of Players:

A lesser number of players may be designated for play by the Board of Directors.

If the minimum number of players is not present fifteen (15) minutes after game time, the game is a forfeit for record purposes. The players present should be divided into teams and the match played.

In an Under 8 or younger match, no one player shall play goalkeeper more than one quarter per game.

Substitutions will be made at the beginning of each quarter.

All players must play three (3) quarters before any player plays four (4) quarters.

Law 4: Players Equipment:

Players will not be allowed to practice or play in games with a cast, even if it is padded.

Law 7: Duration of the Match

Matches shall be divided into two equal halves. Players may leave the field and take a break during the half interval.

Each half is divided into two quarters, but the quarters do not have to be equal in time. The quarter break is called at a stoppage of play approximately half way into the half. Stoppage of play could be a throw-in, corner kick, goal kick, after a score or after an injury.

The quarter interval shall be two (2) minutes. Players will not be allowed to leave the field of play during the quarter interval.

U10 and older divisions will play 2 equal halves with a change of goal keeper at half time. Free substitution will be allowed as per FIFA rules in these divisions.

Half time interval is 5 minutes

U4 10 min halves

U-5 – U6 16 min. halves

U7 – U8 20 min halves

U-9 – U10 25 min. halves

U12 and older 30 min. halves

Law 11: Offside:

Offside will not be called in an Under 8 match or younger.

Law 12: Fouls and Misconduct:

If a player plays the ball while on the ground this will be deemed as playing in a dangerous manner.

Law 13: Free Kicks:

When a free kick is awarded in an Under 8 division match or younger within the penalty area, the kick shall be taken at the point of the penalty area line which runs parallel to the goal line at the point nearest to where the infringement occurred.

Law 14: Penalty Kick:

A penalty kick will be awarded only in the Under 9/10 division and older.

Law 16: Goal Kick:

A goal kick shall be taken anywhere within the penalty area in the Under 8 division and younger.

Calendar for Fall 2009

August	6	Coaches meeting
August	10	Practices begin
August	7-9	Referee classes
August	29	Game 1
September	12	Game 2 Pictures
September	19	Game 3 Pictures
September	21-22	Game 4**
October	3	Game 5
October	12-16	Fall Break
October	24	Game 6
October	31	Game 7
November	7	Game 8
November	9-13	Rec Tournament

** Night games