

# NELSON YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION (“NYSA”)

## **REP PROGRAM POLICY**

### UPDATED & APPROVED May. 11, 2017

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#### **REP Coordinator & Committee**

The NYSA membership will elect, (or the elected board will designate) a director responsible for the REP program at the November monthly NYSA annual general meeting each October. This director will be known as the “REP Coordinator” and will work with a volunteer committee that oversees the administration of the REP program. The REP Coordinator is responsible for recruiting committee members, developing policy recommendations for board approval, establishing an annual budget, monitoring the REP program, and providing an overall assessment of the program at the close of the season. The Executive Director will also maintain financial records in such format as to allow regular reporting of financial status of the REP program to the board. The Rep Coordinator can be reached at [rep@nys.ca](mailto:rep@nys.ca). The Executive Director can be reached at [nys@nys.ca](mailto:nys@nys.ca).

#### **Objectives**

The following objectives are specific to the REP program:

1. To provide opportunities for players to further develop their skills at a higher level of competition.
2. To improve the level of soccer for all players by ensuring everyone has the opportunity to attend workshops, try-outs and clinics.
3. To develop coaches by ensuring they have the opportunity to attend workshops and clinics.
4. To include as many players as possible, while remaining competitive.
5. To maintain the long-term sustainability of the REP program through the older age groups, by supporting and developing players for future years.
6. To develop teams for Provincial Cup Play.

#### **Principles**

In order to achieve these objectives the program will be guided at all times by the principles of “Fairplay,” as set out in paragraphs 20.1 through 20.3 of the NYSA Handbook.

## **Age Groupings**

The NYSA Board decides the age groupings for REP play, on recommendation of the REP committee. Age groupings are set to ensure all players have a fair and equitable opportunity to compete on a year to year basis. The NYSA Board reserves the right to alter age groupings based on interest and registration numbers. Age groupings for the REP program season are reviewed each year.

Minimum age category for teams is U12 (children under 12 at start of year). Minimum age for participating in REP soccer is children turning 11 years of age in the calendar year.

**U11/U12** – Will be deemed “Development Only” All players will have the opportunity to develop their skills, and no cuts will be made at these ages.

**U13-U18** – Will be the only ages able to compete for Provincials.

All **Rep U12** players must play house league soccer.

## **Playing Up**

Rep players must try out in their own age group. Players may only try out in the older division if there is no team in their own age group. In certain cases, NYSA may make decisions to have players play up a division, even if there is an existing team in their age group. There are two distinct scenarios where NYSA may implement the play up rule: “Technical Development” and “Insufficient Team Numbers.” It is important to differentiate between these two scenarios, as the criteria and process are different.

### **Play Ups For Technical Development**

The Technical Director has identified a player (or players) whose abilities are such that they should be moved up to an older division for the benefit of their own development, regardless of team numbers.

- Only the TD can identify players to be recommended for play ups for technical development reasons. NYSA will not accept or entertain requests from parents (or coaches) for a child to play up.
- The TD makes a recommendation to the Rep Committee, who will consider the merits and then bring them to the Board if deemed there is merit. The final decision whether to approve the play up rests with Board by means of vote.
- The Board would base their decision on BCSA play-up guidelines found at: [Playing Up Policy](#).
- If Board approval is obtained, the TD and/or Rep Committee would contact the player and his/her parents to discuss and determine if there is interest.

- This type of play up would only be done in exceptional circumstances (i.e. the player must be significantly more advanced than the balance of his team).
- For a player to be considered for this type of play up, they must be recognized as a core player for the older age division. Core player is defined as one of the top seven on the roster.
- All play up decisions based on these criteria are binding for one season only, and re-evaluated the following season.
- This type of play up is done on the basis that it is necessary for optimizing the development of particularly advanced players. As such, it is done without consideration for numbers of either of the affected teams.
- The player identified for playing up in this scenario must want to play up, and not be forced to. They may choose to remain with their age group. Related, it must not be a parent or coach's agenda.

### **Play Ups Due to Insufficient Team Numbers**

NYSA has adopted a philosophy to support teams, right through to U18, a “top down” approach. The purpose of this is to ensure that our players do not lose the opportunity to play in their final U18 year, due to dwindling numbers of players in their age group. If a division of a particular age group has insufficient numbers to comfortably and consistently field a team, a need is identified to move some players from the younger team up to support the older team that is deficient in numbers.

- NYSA will move players up from one age to another to ensure adequate numbers for a viable team. In some circumstances, this top down approach may result in a “flow through” effect: if an older team is low in numbers, players from the division below will be moved up as needed. If this results in the younger team having a player shortage, the process is then repeated from the next younger team.
- At the Board's discretion, this policy may be waived if it is deemed to be too disruptive relative to the benefit, (for example there are only two players in the U18 division), but the philosophy is to make every reasonable effort to support the opportunity for older players that have gone through our system to continue to play in their final year.
- The Rep Committee will first exhaust all other available options to bolster the older team's numbers (i.e. additional player recruiting, out of area players, etc.) before moving players up.
- Based on the numbers of all teams, the Rep Committee will determine how many players need to be moved up. If the younger team has excess numbers, it is the Rep Committee's decision in consultation with the TD how many players will be moved up to the older division. If the younger team does not have excess numbers, only enough players will be moved up to bring the older team to 15.
- In this scenario, the Rep Committee will ask the TD to evaluate and recommend the players to be moved up to the older team. This is at the TD's discretion and expertise, but is only a recommendation. The Rep Committee must then decide whether to proceed on those recommendations.

- When identifying the players to move up, every effort shall be made to balance the needs of both teams. A sufficient number of players with the capacity to play with the older team must be moved up. The nature and number of players moved must not unduly weaken the younger team (i.e. they must be left with a sufficient number of “strong” players to still be competitive).
- The TD will recommend players that he/she feels are most capable of playing with the older team. In many cases, this will be the “technically strongest” players from the younger team. Other factors considered could be physical strength, maturity, older siblings on the team, etc. Ultimately, the TD will use his/her judgment and the Rep Committee will then validate.
- Once the Rep Committee has validated the selected players, a member of the Rep Committee and/or NYSA Chair will first contact the coach of the younger team to review the players identified. While the coach does not have the right to “veto” the decision, every effort will be made to take their opinion into consideration and possibly (at the Rep Committee’s discretion) revise which players are recommended for the play up.
- Once the coach has been consulted, the agreed upon players and their parents will then be contacted to see if they are interested.

## **Try-outs**

Depending on registration numbers, try-outs or indoor practices will take place between February 1 and March 31, each year. Locations and times will vary depending on age division. Efforts will be made to schedule try-out dates and locations to accommodate the greatest number of players.

Players interested in participating in the REP program are encouraged to consult the NYSA website, or contact the REP Coordinator or a NYSA Board member for a list of the REP coaches and practice locations. Any registered player is entitled to try out, in their correct age group. If no team is available in the correct age group a player may try out in the next higher age group available.

Players wishing to play on a REP teams will pay a \$30 fee. This fee will only be refunded in the case where there is, due to NYSA Board decision, no team in the player’s age group. No refund after first practice.

REP coaches will each organize their own player try-outs in consultation with the REP Coordinator, who will provide coaches with lists of eligible, registered players as soon as possible. Coaches will ensure that only players who have registered and paid soccer fees attend tryouts. Every attempt should be made to ensure every potential player is aware of try-outs taking place, including coaches speaking to players and their parents.

All parents and players must be made aware of the cost and additional time commitment of the REP program before team selection. They must also be aware that US travel may be required, and that as such they will require a passport.

REP coaches retain sole authority for team selection. Inappropriate behaviour by a player or their parent may make a player ineligible for a REP team. Parents are expected to be aware of the BCSA Fair play code for Parents / Spectators and the BCSA Competition Rules and Regulations (found attached to the end of this policy).

Rep Players must also adhere to NYSA Fair Play codes and BCSA Competition Rules and Regulations (found attached to the end of this policy). If a player does not abide by these codes, rules or regulations it could result in loss of games or his or her future in the rep program.

Team lists and completed team registration forms must be submitted to the REP coordinator by April 25<sup>th</sup> in order to meet BC Soccer deadlines.

### **Out of District Players**

Each rep team can take up to three players from another district under the following conditions:

- a) The players provide a signed release from their home district, and NYS has verified that the home district does not have a team in the relevant age group;
- b) They do not displace any resident NYS players that are trying out, regardless of skill level; and
- c) They are used to increase team numbers to a maximum of 18 players ( the maximum that can play in provincial competition)

### **Coaches**

The NYSA Board, on recommendation of the REP committee, selects coaches on the basis of their technical qualifications, coaching experience, leadership qualities, availability, commitment and willingness to travel to tournaments and play down games, including provincial cup tournaments regardless of location.

Coaches are required to have completed Soccer For Life and be fully aware of FIFA Laws of the Game, B.C Soccer Association Rules, Regulations and Policies, the NYSA Handbook, and this policy. Coaches must complete a current risk management form prior to commencing duties.

Coaches are expected to be generous with their praise and encouragement, and set an example of fair play at all times. Ridiculing or yelling at players for making mistakes or losing a competition will not be tolerated. Reports of inappropriate behavior by coaches will be forwarded to the NYSA Board for possible further disciplinary action.

Coaches are responsible for Parents and Players, and must adhere to the Coaches Code of Conduct and BCSCA Competition Rules and Regulations found attached to the end of this policy.

NYSA teams have established a reputation for fair play. Coaches are expected to develop team respect for the ability of opponents as well as for the judgment of officials. Players are expected to play within the rules and parents must not publicly question the judgment of the officials or ridicule opponents.

Coaches who are not a parent of a player will be paid a stipend to be set by the NYSA Board, for each tournament attended, to defray their travel and accommodation costs. Stipends will be paid after each tournament, and are funded through player fees.

Advertising for REP coaches takes place in December for the following season. The NYSA Board selects coaches. Directors applying for a coaching position are not eligible to participate in the selection process.

The coach and manager of each team are responsible for submitting all required forms related to team registration and tournament entry, within deadlines set by BC Soccer and various tournament organizers. The REP Coordinator will inform coaches and managers of form requirements and deadlines, and will collect and submit completed forms.

Because participation in house play by REP players ages 12 and under is a fundamental part of Nelson Youth Soccer, coaches must respect house practice and game schedules when setting extra practices and exhibition games.

## **Managers**

Rep Coordinators along with the Technical Director will discuss with coaches and appoint team managers. Suitable individuals will have administrative skills and a willingness to work with the REP committee and the overall program.

Managers are responsible for the collection of registration fees once these have been determined by the REP Coordinator.

Managers must also collect and give to the Rep Coordinator 2 deposit cheques, one for uniforms (\$75.00) and one for Provincials \$400.00.

Managers are expected to maintain accurate records (team finances, jersey numbers, player info, etc.)

Managers need to collect all sign-off sheets these are to include, Parent / Spectator Code of Conduct, Players Code of Conduct, Coaches Code of Conduct, Medical Release Forms.

## **Practice Times**

REP coaches will sign up for available one and a half hour practice times twice a week. Coaches are expected to be reasonable in their demands on the players' time, energy and enthusiasm. Coaches are also expected to respect the commitment of REP players to the house program, and avoid conflicts where possible.

## **Tournaments – U13-U18 Only**

The NYSA REP teams usually compete in four to six tournaments each season, including spring and fall. Which tournaments are attended will be determined by the coaches in consultation with the REP committee, and an attempt will be made to be consistent for all teams. If a tournament has no available age group for a specific team, the coach and team manager, in consultation with the REP Coordinator, may make arrangements for an alternative competition. Coaches can individually select additional tournaments to attend as well, in consultation with the REP Coordinator.

The Manager is responsible for registration for tournaments. Any team that needs to withdraw from one of the pre-determined tournaments must do so through the REP Coordinator and the team may run the risk of losing the tournament entrance fees.

**U11/U12** Development teams will be allowed to attend Jamboree's only with the possibility of one tournament at the end of season

## **Playing Time**

There is no minimum playing-time rule in REP team play.

Keeping in mind that injuries or illness may occur at any tournament, coaches should avoid taking players to out-of-town competitions if they are unlikely in any circumstance to get a reasonable amount of playing time. Likewise, coaches are expected to avoid over-playing of players.

When determining playing time, coaches should balance the short-term objectives of winning the current game, with the longer-term objectives of developing skilled players for the future games, future tournaments, and future years.

## **House Play**

It is required for U12 Rep players to play House league soccer. Unreasonable failure to honor house team obligations without permission from their house coach could result in a player being suspended from the REP program.

The house coach should contact the player's parent to discuss the reason for missing the house game. If it is determined that house obligations are due to a conflict, then:

1. The house coach contacts the House Coordinator and the Rep Coordinator.
2. The Rep Coordinator will contact the Rep coach to resolve the issue.

Should the situation continue, rep game playing time will be affected.

## **Cost**

The cost of the REP program is covered entirely by the players participating in the program. The annual REP fee covers the costs for entering tournaments, possible coach stipends, technical development fees, equipment and uniform replacement for the program.

The team manager is responsible for the collection of all registration fees (including uniform and Provincials postdated cheques). All fees must be collected and submitted to the REP Coordinator prior to the first REP tournament. Uniforms are not to be distributed to any player who has not paid their REP fees.

Note that the cost is subsidized by profits from the Lakeside Concession (see below.)

In addition:

### **U13 and older divisions**

Once the players have been selected and prior to the first practice, an initial fee of \$300 must be paid. This can be paid in two installments dated **April 15<sup>th</sup>** and **May 1<sup>st</sup>**. The remaining Rep fees (if any) will be due May 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **U12 development division**

Once the numbers have been finalized and prior to the first practice, an initial fee of \$300 must be paid. This can be paid in two installments dated **April 15<sup>th</sup>** and **May 1<sup>st</sup>**. The remaining Rep fees (if any) will be due May 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **BC Provincials (U13-U18)**

One of the expectations for Rep players is to go to Provincials regardless of where they are being played in the Province. Therefore, a postdated cheque for \$400.00 will be required by all players. It will only be cashed should the player not be able to attend Provincials for any reason other than injury. A doctor's note will be required. Cheques will be shredded July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Should a team due to extenuating circumstances require a player to maintain a team's existence, Board approval of the amount of fees to charge is required.

## **Refunds**

**May 1** Cancellations must be made in writing prior to the May 1st deadline.

All cancellations are subject to \$25 admin fee

\$30 Rep registration fee is non-refundable (or \$60 if paid late registration fee)

\$32 BC Soccer fee is non-refundable

\$52 Rep gear (socks, shorts and jersey) is also non-refundable

Cost for any tournament attended is non-refundable

**After May 1** No refunds

**May 31** Cancellations after May 31 will only be eligible for refunds in the case of a season ending injury from a NYS event. Refunds will be evaluated by the Rep committee on an individual basis.

## **Concession**

Because the Lakeside Concession profits are used to subsidize REP soccer, **ALL** parents of players participating in REP are expected to volunteer some time to operate the concession. This is the only fundraising effort currently required.

Team managers will be assigned certain days, and will be asked to arrange for parents to attend for two hour shifts. With full participation by parents who are not otherwise volunteering as coaches and managers, the time commitment should not be more than four hours per individual per season.

## **Sponsorship**

Nelson Rep soccer teams currently are not sponsored.

## **Fundraising**

We hope these guidelines will be helpful in your planning. Any questions regarding team fundraising should go through the Rep Coordinator

- No team, coach, parent, or individual, may fundraise for a specific Nelson Selects team or use the Nelson Selects name or logo without permission and approval from the Rep Coordinator. No fundraising effort may duplicate or infringe upon the

fundraising of another Nelson Selects team.

- A written request to fundraise for a specific item(s) must be presented to the Rep Coordinator. The request must detail the item(s) needed and the specific manner(s) in which funds are to be raised. Teams may raise money to support their individual team's expenses and normally these expenses are minor in nature and cover things such as t-shirts, transportation, and award or end of season functions.
- All team fundraising financial transactions MUST be done through the Nelson Youth Soccer Association account system. NO separate checking or savings accounts may be held for a team in the name of a parent, individual, or group. Any surpluses in the Team Fundraising line items at the end of the season will be "rolled into" general Nelson Rep Soccer finances (i.e. team balances will not be carried over year to year).

## **Equipment**

Team uniforms (jerseys) are on loan from NYSA, and payment for lost items are the responsibility of the players and parents. In addition, each player will be provided with two pairs of socks, one pair of shorts and a training jersey which can be kept at the end of the season.

The team manager is responsible for distribution of jerseys, shorts and socks. Registration fees must be collected from each player prior to uniform distribution.

The team manager is responsible for collecting a postdated \$75 cheque for the team jersey. The team manager must provide a list with player name and jersey number with these postdated cheques to the Rep Coordinator.

Responsibility for equipment (balls, cones, pinnies, first aid supplies, etc.) lies with the head coach for each team.

Equipment and jerseys must be returned complete to the REP Coordinator by the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of October.

## **Disputes**

If a parent has a grievance, they should first speak to the coach. If they are not satisfied with the results they should then contact the REP Coordinator to discuss their concerns.

If this proves unsatisfactory, the final step is to write to the NYSA Board with the detailed concern, which will either be dealt with immediately, if pressing, or at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

## **Fair Play Code For Parents / Spectators:**

- I will not force my child to participate in sports.
- I will remember that children play sports for their enjoyment, not for mine.
- I will not have unrealistic expectations. I will remember that child athletes are not miniature professionals and cannot be judged by professional standards.
- I will encourage my / all children to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will teach my / all children that doing one's best is as important as winning, so that they will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game / event.
- I will make my /all children to feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and trying hard.
- I will never ridicule or yell at a / my child for making a mistake or losing a competition. I will give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort.
- I will remember that children learn best by example. I will applaud good plays/ performances by both my child's team and the opponents.
- I will condemn the use of violence in any form and will express my disapproval in an appropriate manner to coaches and league officials.
- I will never question the official's judgment or honesty in public.
- I will respect the official's decision and I will encourage participants to do the same.
- I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's sporting events.
- I will show respect and show appreciation for the volunteer coaches who give their time to provide sport activities for my child.
- I will show respect for my team's opponents, because without them there would be no game.
- I will not use bad language, nor will I harass athletes, coaches, officials or other spectators.

## **BCSA Competitions Rules and Regulations**

### **Code Of Conduct: All participants (including parents and spectators) at BCSA Provincial Championships are expected to:**

- Act as ambassadors for their local clubs, districts and leagues.
- Participate in the Provincial Championships in the spirit of fair play, co-operation and respect for others at all times.
- Comply with the rulings by officials, coaches, managers, or any other person in a position of authority or responsibility.
- Respect the rules of the sport, the British Columbia Soccer Association Competitions Rules and BCSA Code of Conduct.
- Perform to the best of their ability in every competition and accept with pride the result their effort brings.
- Respect their opponent and the directions and decisions of competitive and other officials.
- Be gracious in victory and defeat
- Respect the rights of the residents of the Host Association and members from other clubs, districts, and leagues.
- Regard participation in the Provincial Championships as a privilege.
- Conduct themselves in accordance with the BCSA Code of Conduct to ensure that the Championships take place in a safe environment, free from harassment and discrimination for all members.
- Respect the Clean Air policy and ban on smoking at Championship venues and facilities.
- Obey all Federal laws, Provincial laws and Municipal laws, on alcohol consumption and illegal substance (drug) and tobacco use;

- Respect the Zero Tolerance of alcohol (acquiring, possession of purchasing or consuming) at Provincial Youth Championships.
- Be punctual for all official functions and activities.

## **Parents will NOT:**

- Verbally or physically abuse other members of their team or participants in the Provincial Championships.
- Show disrespect to officials, including the use of foul language and obscene or offensive gestures.
- Breach any of the British Columbia Soccer Association Rules for Provincial Competitions.
- Abuse, damage or destroy facilities or equipment.
- Breach the requirements of the British Columbia Soccer Association Harassment Policy,
- Indulge in any other unreasonable conduct which brings the British Columbia Soccer Association into disrepute, including but not limited to, activities which disturb or disrupt the peace, infractions of municipal, provincial or federal laws, the abusive use of alcohol, the non-medical use of drugs, tobacco, or the use of alcohol by minors.

Name print: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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



## **Fair Play Code for Players**

- I will participate because I want to, not because my parents want me to.
- I will play by the rules and in the spirit of the game.
- I will control my temper – fighting and “mouthing off” can spoil the activity for everyone.
- I will respect my opponents, because without them there would be no game.
- I will do my best to be a true team player.
- I will remember that winning isn’t everything – that having fun, improving my skills, making friends and doing my best are important.
- I will acknowledge all good plays / performances – those of my team and my opponent.
- I will remember that coaches and officials are there to help me. I will accept their decisions and show them respect.
- I will never question the official’s judgment or honesty.
- I will not use bad language, nor will I harass athletes, coaches, officials or the spectators.

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Player name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Player Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **Fair Play for Coaches:**

- I will be reasonable when scheduling extra games and practices, remembering that young players have other interest and obligations.
- I will teach my players to play fairly and to respect the rules, officials and opponents.
- I will ensure that all players get equal instructions and support.
- I will not ridicule or yell at the players for making mistakes or for performing poorly. I will remember that children play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.
- I will ensure that equipment and facilities are safe and match the player's ages and abilities.
- I will remember that children need a coach they can respect. I will be generous with praise and set a good example.
- I will obtain proper training and continue to upgrade my coaching skills.
- I will not have unrealistic expectations. I will remember that child athletes are not miniature professionals and cannot be judged by professional standards.
- I will encourage all children to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition. I will give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort.
- I will condemn the use of violence in any form and will express my disapproval in an appropriate manner to co-coaches, parents and league officials.
- I will never question the official's judgment or honesty in public.
- I will respect the official's decision and I will encourage participants to do the same.
- I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's sporting events.

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- Indulge in any other unreasonable conduct which brings the British Columbia Soccer Association into disrepute, including but not limited to, activities which disturb or disrupt the peace, infractions of municipal, provincial or federal laws, the abusive use of alcohol, the non-medical use of drugs, tobacco, or the use of alcohol by minors.

Name print: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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