

2021 Spring Soccer Coach Information & Volunteer Application



Welcome Letter- 2021 Spring Youth Soccer League

Dear Coaches,

On behalf of the Saratoga Springs Recreation Department, I would like to welcome you to the Saratoga Springs Recreation Youth Soccer League. We realize you are giving up a significant part of your personal time to coach this season and genuinely thank you for your time and efforts. We hope your volunteer experience is positive for you and that you also leave a positive impact on our program.

As a coach, you have a tremendous amount of responsibility, and in order to better prepare you for a successful season we have set up a coaches meeting. We strongly encourage each coach to attend the meeting and understand our program philosophy as we, the Recreation Department, try to create a consistent approach to teaching and playing soccer; from our Little Kickers program through our 8-12th grade division. It's also important to understand your role as a coach and that you consistently follow the coach's code of conduct.

We will try our best to honor requests to co-coach with someone. Please understand that in the event we need coaches to fill teams, you may have to be separated.

Our Soccer Program philosophy includes:

- Fair Play
- Player Development
- Equal Play Time
- Sportsmanship
- Respect among players, coaches, officials, and spectators
- Fun
- Safety

Thank you again for coaching and I look forward to seeing you on the field!

Sincerely,

John Hirliman
Administrative Director

Coaches Meetings

Big Kickers & Grade 1/2: Thursday, April 8th - 5:30pm @ REC Center
Grades 3-12: Thursday, April 8th - 6:30pm @ REC Center
Adult League: Thursday, April 22nd - 5:30pm @ REC Center

Coach Registration

- Please register yourself as a coach on Community Pass under Youth Soccer League – Coach.
- Please register your child under Youth Soccer League – Player.
- The registration fee will be reimbursed 50% for the child you are coaching if you sign up before 3/29/2021.
- If you coach multiple teams for your children, both children's registration fees will be reimbursed 50% if you sign up before 3/29/2021.

Please register before 3/29/21 to avoid a \$25 Late Fee

City of Saratoga Springs Volunteer Application

Recreation Center, 15 Vanderbilt Ave, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 Fax 518-584-1748

FULL LEGAL NAME: _____
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

Previous/Current Names/Nicknames/Aliases: _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Address (no PO Box) _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone H _____ W _____ Cell _____

Email _____ Fax _____

Emergency contact name _____ Phone number _____

Current Employment & Employer _____ Profession _____

Have you been convicted of a felony within the past five years? YES NO

If YES, please explain _____

Sport _____ Have you played this sport before? _____ # of years of Experience: _____

Coaching _____ Shirt Size _____ : for Child(ren)'s Name(s): _____ Grade(s): _____

Any Special Request: _____

If you have a disability, what accommodations would you need to do this position? _____

Please provide two personal or professional references:

Name	Phone Number	Relationship	Name	Phone Number	Relationship
1. _____	_____	_____	2. _____	_____	_____

If you are under 21, please complete the following:

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name(s): _____ Contact #: _____

Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

I affirm under penalties of perjury that all statements made on this application are true. I understand that my NY State driver license is subject to investigation and verification and that a misstatement may disqualify me from being an independent contractor/volunteer.

It is the parties intention that the Individual will be an independent contractor and not the City's employee for all purposes, including but not limited to, the application of the Fair Labor Standards Act, minimum wage and overtime payments, Federal Insurance Contribution Act, the Social Security Act, the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, the New York State Revenue and Taxation Law, the New York State Workers' Compensation Law and the New York State Unemployment Insurance Law.

The Individual shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from all losses, injuries or damages, and wages or overtime compensation due to the Individual or his/her employees in rendering services pursuant to this Agreement, including payment of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs in the defense of any claim made under the Fair Labor Standards Act or any other federal or state law.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ **SOCIAL SECURITY #:** _____

Saratoga Springs Recreation Department Coach's Contract of Conduct

I _____, as a coach in the Saratoga Springs Recreation Department Youth Soccer League, pledge to abide by the following contract:

- I will conduct myself on and off the field with the proper behavior as befits a Coach of our league which includes:
 - Always serving as an appropriate role model for sportsmanship
 - Always exhibit and teach sportsmanship
 - Always supporting my team, my fellow coaches, the league organizers, and league volunteers
 - Always displaying respect towards officials, coaches, volunteers, and players
 - Never using offensive or inappropriate language
 - Always displaying self control
 - Treating each player equally and fairly
 - Creating a safe caring environment for my players to learn, practice and play
 - Always using good judgment when disciplining players
 - Never drinking alcohol, smoking or using other tobacco products, in the playing area or around players in games or practices
 - Providing all players an equal opportunity to learn and play
 - **Understanding that the game/practices are strictly for the benefit of the players**
- I will learn and abide by the rules of the game and our league rules.
- I will teach the fundamentals of the game
- I will communicate openly with all players, coaches and parents
- I will take full responsibility for my own actions
- I understand I am responsible for addressing behavior issues with my coaches, my players and the family members and fans of my players
- I will lend my full support to league clean-up and sponsorship activities
- I understand that my participation as a coach in this league is a privilege and that failure to abide by this code may result in my being suspended or forfeiture of my coaching role in the league.
- I will contact the Recreation Department immediately in the event of an injury, incident, or accident

Coach

Date