

C. JDP AND COMPETITIVE TEAMS

Rule 19 - Number of Teams

Milton Youth Soccer Club reserves the right to limit the amount of teams in each age group.

Rule 20 - Number of Players

Teams for players under 13 years of age will follow the rules for OSA's LTDP with regards to players per side. Minimum and maximum players per team will be determined by the Technical Committee based upon the availability of sufficiently skilled players.

Teams for players 13 years and older will play 11 aside and should have a minimum of 15 players per team.

Rule 21 - Player Selection

- (a) Teams will be comprised of players that have been selected through an open tryout process sponsored by the Club.
- (b) Tryouts will be held in the fall on a date predetermined by the Club and a minimum of 11 players will be selected at that time.
- (c) A preliminary list of players, with signatures indicating commitment to play, is to be handed in no later than November 1st.

Rule 22 - Player Registration

- (a) Players must be members of the Club as listed with the Club registrar.
- (b) All players will be subject to the JDP/Rep fee appropriate to their age and program as determined by the club.
- (c) It is the responsibility of the coach to ensure that;
 - a. All players are registered properly.
 - b. All monies owed to the Club are collected from the players.
 - c. Monies owing and forms are handed in no later than December 1st.
 - d. Ensure all fees are paid to the Club on the dates predetermined by the Club.

Rule 23 - Player Participation

It is the responsibility of the coaches to ensure all JDP/Rep players are given a reasonable amount of playing time during each game.

Rule 24 - Underage Players

There may only be a total of 3 under age players in any one age group **if** there is a team in an age group below. Exceptions can be made at the discretion of the club on a case by case basis. The underage limit is waived in cases where no teams are available in the age group below.

Rule 25 - Coach Selection and Qualifications

- (a) All coaches will be selected based on their qualifications, references and philosophy towards coaching. All coaches are expected to comply with all Club rules, guidelines and policies.
- (b) We will follow the certification requirements as set out by OSA for Festival (JDP) and Competition levels.
 - a. U4 – U5 no qualifications required but Active Start is recommended.
 - b. U6 – U8 Respect in Soccer, Fundamentals and Making Ethical Decisions.
 - c. U9 – U12 Respect in Soccer, Learn to Train and Making Ethical Decisions.
 - d. U13+ Respect in Soccer, Soccer for Life and Making Ethical Decisions.
- (c) Coaching applications for JDP/Rep teams must be submitted to the Technical Committee on or before August 1st.
 - a. References must be provided and will be checked.
 - b. Applicants must provide a valid police check.
 - c. Applicants will be subject to an interview conducted by the Technical Committee and consisting of at least 3 members, other board members can be selected to participate in place of a Technical Committee member if they are not already part of that committee.
- (d) All coaching recommendations made by the Technical Committee are subject to final approval by the Board of Directors.
- (e) No person shall be the head coach within the club of more than one JDP/Rep team.
- (f) The head coach must submit a list of team staff by March 1 including the names of all assistant coaches and managers for approval by the Board of Directors. A maximum of 4 staff per team and a minimum of 3 staff per team will be permitted (including head coach). Additionally, it is recommended that the 2 signing officers of the team are not from the same household.
- (g) The Board of Directors has the sole authority to select, renew, or revoke any coaching or team administrator appointments within the Club.
- (h) Coaching applicants should include full disclosure as to whether they are a coach of a team within another organization, Club, or League for that current season.
- (a) Every team will select an individual from the team to perform the role of Parent Liaison. The role of the Parent Liaison is to act as the central point of contact for any issues, questions or concerns that a parent may have with respect to the coaching or management of the team. In addition, the Parent Liaison may act as the central point of communication between the Coaching Staff and the parents of the team. The Parent Liaison is not required to have coaching certifications, is not carded to the team and is not considered to be a member of the Coaching Staff.

Rule 26 - Sponsorship

- (a) JDP/Rep teams are responsible for obtaining their own sponsor(s). The sponsorship fee for a club team is \$450 as determined by the Board of Directors.
- (b) Teams will have the option of providing each of their 2 primary sponsors, which are defined as the Blue jersey sponsor and the White jersey sponsor, an opportunity to advertise on the Club website. Advertising will consist of the sponsor(s) name and/or logo, with a hyperlink.
- (c) Teams are permitted to obtain a maximum of (2) Milton Community sponsorships, (1) for their Blue jersey and (1) for their White jersey. Any requests for additional Community sponsorships for the team must be made as a written request to the Board of Directors by January 31st of the upcoming outdoor season. All requests for additional Community sponsorships must include a detailed explanation as to the purpose of the funds.

Rule 27 - Team Responsibilities

- (a) Teams are responsible for the payment of any fines incurred throughout the season due to actions on the field or improper paperwork that is the responsibility of the team.
- (b) All requests for such things as equipment, gym time, field bookings, travel permits, player books, referee fees, etc. must be made through either the appropriate channels and are subject to Board approval.
- (c) Teams are responsible for the preparation of a Team Budget that provides details on the financials of each team. The Team Budget is to be prepared at the beginning of the season, following the fall tryouts, updated at the end of the indoor season, and reconciled at the end of the outdoor season. Team Budgets are to be submitted to the Finance Committee.

Rule 28 - Tournaments

- (a) Teams wishing to enter a tournament must contact the Competitive Coordinator to ensure they are eligible to do so. Eligibility for tournaments may vary depending upon the program and OSA rules.
- (b) Eligible teams are expected to participate in the MYSC tournament.
- (c) It is the responsibility of the team head coach to submit to the Club any or all request for travel permits 3 weeks before needing them.
- (d) No tournaments are to be schedule on dates that conflict with such events as Picture Day, MYSC Tournament, Skills Day and Finals Day etc. Teams must confirm with the Board what these dates are before planning tournaments.
- (e) All registered teams are property of the Club and must adhere to all policies or face having their application revoked.

Rule 29 – JDP/Representative Teams

- (a) New teams must have a minimum 75% of players residing within Milton. Milton residency applies to players moving from or into Milton during the season for which they have been selected to play. Any out of town players for new or existing teams must be submitted to the Board for approval.
- (b) House league players may be asked to play on a “call up” basis when needed. All players who are selected as a house league call up must play in the Club’s house league.
- (c) Coaches are required to attend all meetings set forth by the Technical Committee. A team manager designated by the head coach may attend in the coach's place.
- (d) No teams may apply for indoor or any other leagues not sanctioned by the Club.
- (e) Teams must maintain a team bank account for team finances. Accounts may be audited by the Club at any time.
- (f) Teams must advise the Club of all fundraising strategies.
- (g) The official Club tracksuit will be the only suit permitted for teams and is considered an extension of the team uniform. The Club will maintain the same tracksuit for 2 years.
- (h) Any use of the Milton Magic name/logo or Milton Youth Soccer Club Crest/name is not permitted without approval by the Club.

Rule 30 - Rep. Team Performance Criteria

- (a) New teams – The first season is considered an introduction to the Rep program. By the 2nd season a team must achieve a minimum of 25% of points available (25% of 14 games x 3 points = 10 points)
- (b) Existing teams – must achieve a minimum of 25% of points in any one season over a 2 season period.
- (c) Failure to meet the performance criteria will result in a team and coaching review by the Technical Committee with a recommendation to the Board of Directors regarding the continuation or disbanding of the team.