

WLYSA REP/DEVELOPMENT COACH GUIDELINES AND CODE OF CONDUCT 2010

The WLYSA at the beginning of each season will, when possible form representative teams from each age group in the following divisions to represent the corresponding age group in competitions:

Development (Super 8)

U11 (1999) U12 (1998)

Rep

U13 (1997) U14 (1996) U15 (1995) U16 (1994) U17 (1993) U18 (1992)

If a minimum of 16 players can not be achieved for a competitive team from within the age groups outlined above, then the following two-year age group division will be implemented only for that team(s). This will be done in consultation with the WLYSA Executive and Rep coaches impacted.

Rep two-year grouping

U14 (U13 & U14) **U16** (U15 & U16) **U18** (U17 - U19, allow for five – 19 year olds)

Each rep team is required to participate in the following:

- BCSA Cup zone qualifying games and Provincial tournament.
- The Cariboo Rep League formed with 100 Mile House and Quesnel.
- Two other tournaments annually as decided by the Rep Committee and WLYSA Executive (traditionally Kamloops on the May long weekend and possibly Chilliwack).
- Other tournament play is encouraged at each team's discretion. Recommend Quesnel during the Billy Barker Days and / or Revelstoke in September.

If, in the event of a shortage of players for a tournament or game, a coach may request a player from a younger rep team to supplement his team under the following conditions.

1. The coach has less than 16 players available from his team for the specific event.
2. The coach has made a serious, extensive effort to fill his squad from other players in his age group.
3. The younger player has no conflicting commitments to his own team: including practices, games, tournaments, fundraisers.
4. The younger player is not already playing in the same tournament. A player may not play for two teams in the same tournament.
5. The coach of the borrowing team has sought and obtained permission from the coach of the lending team and both coaches have spoken to the rep committee chair for approval for that specific event.

Borrowing players is only allowed on a per event basis i.e. a specific game or tournament. "Blanket" agreements between coaches to cover longer periods of time or a season will not be

approved. Borrowed players are intended to supplement or fill out a roster, not to replace available players or play ahead of regular players on the borrowing team.

Rep Head Coaches shall be selected by the Rep Coach Selection Committee made up of the Rep Chair, the Director of Player and Coach Development and the Technical Director. This committee shall select the Head Coach of each Rep Team and make recommendations on the selection of Assistant Coach(es). In any event, the WLYSA Executive reserves the sole right to appoint and remove coaches. The following is the process for selecting Rep coaches:

- Letters of intent will be requested by the Executive, from prospective coaches and assistant coaches before the beginning of each season.
- All interested applicants shall be reviewed by the committee (even if there is only one application).
- Head Coaches will be selected after all interested parties are reviewed.
- Approved Head Coaches, as a minimum are required to hold or obtain Community Coaching certification from BC Soccer appropriate to the age group they are coaching. It is preferable that the Head Coach holds the full Community Coach Certificate (CCC, CCY & CCS).
- “Respect in Sport Program” when available this season will be expected from coaches and managers.
- The appointed Head Coach holds this position for the duration of the season unless they resign or are removed by the Executive. The appointment lasts from April 1st until March 31st of the following year.

Teams for each new season will be formed after a Head Coach and Assistant Coach have been appointed, registrations have closed and tryouts are held. The following is the expected process for selecting players:

- Evaluation practices are open to any and all WLYSA registered players within the designated age groups. Every eligible player who wants to tryout must be given the opportunity to try out.
- There will be a minimum of four practice sessions before the final selection process takes place.
- The criteria for player selection shall include a variety of factors such as attendance at training sessions, attitude, skill, fitness levels, work ethic, availability to attend competitions etc.
- A minimum of sixteen players will be selected from within the age group. Coaches are encouraged to select a larger number of players and maintain a list of alternates so as to foster the ongoing development of prospective players.
- Each player selected will require a WLYSA rep card in order to play at tournaments. These cards are provided by WLYSA.
- Players selected will be guaranteed a minimum playing time of 30% over the season. This amount may vary from game to game but must average out to 30% over the summer season.

Rep and Development teams will benefit from a Technical Director starting this season, by receiving guidance with training schedules, plans and program delivery.

Rep teams will be supplied team uniforms from WLYSA. The jerseys are blue and white with black trim in the specific style chosen by the association. The WLYSA will also supply practice balls, cones, etc. Practice times and locations will be arranged through WLYSA and will be consistent throughout the season.

BCSA Cup entry and all tournament registrations shall be handled through WLYSA in conjunction with Rep Team Managers and are the responsibility of each individual rep team. Rep/Development teams are required to sign off and adhere strictly to the financial guidelines set down by the WLYSA. Teams must not maintain separate financial records. Personal accounts, slush funds, shadow or phantom accounts are not permitted.

The following fees have been set for the corresponding age groups with an explanation, this will also allow WLYSA to provide you with a receipt for income tax purposes. Parents should be aware that additional fees to cover more tournaments and travel expenditures will be their financial responsibility. In addition, players must purchase their own black shorts, socks, shin pads, and soccer cleats.

Development (Super 8)

U11 (1999) – No fees

U12 (1998) - \$30/player to cover Cariboo Rep League fees.

Rep Teams

U13 – U16 - \$80/player to cover Cariboo Rep League and 2 tournament entry fees.

U17 + – fees to be determined by Coach and Team Manager based upon tournaments selected.

Fundraising events will be an option for all teams to consider, please consult with WLYSA prior.

Rep/Development coaches and their teams are accountable to the WLYSA executive committee and, by delegation, to the Rep committee which consists of themselves and their fellow Rep/Development coaches. Decisions made by these two committees are binding to each Rep/Development team. Each team must send a representative (coach, assistant coach, or team manager) to the Rep/Development committee meetings.

Rep/Development coaches are expected to uphold the ethics of fair play, develop their players to full potential, encourage, support and facilitate the game of soccer, and maintain its integrity. Coach for the good of the kids and the good of the game.

I have read and agree to abide by and uphold the above guidelines and code of conduct.

Signature

Date

Print name: _____

Received: _____
Rep Committee Chair

Date