

Notice to Team Managers and Players

The GBYSA Adult Soccer League has two goals. First and foremost is to raise money for the GBYSA and Boca United Soccer Club. The Second is that the GBYSA Adult Soccer League provides an opportunity for adults to play soccer.

We as **adults** are playing to support a children's soccer league and **set an example** for these children. We are trying to **promote a family environment** where adults can bring their children, play soccer and just have a goodtime with family and friends. We hope that you and your team will enjoy a great season of soccer and come back for many more.

When choosing your players keep in mind that we **will not tolerate unruly behavior**. If you have any doubt about a player's ability to control his or her behavior, our advice is not to put that player on your team. The individual player(s), manager, and possibly the entire team will be held responsible for the player(s) actions.

While there are 2 divisions of play, these are **recreational divisions. This league is not professional or semi-professional and not to be taken any other way than purely and solely recreational**. All GBYSA Adult Soccer League rules will be strictly enforced and no exceptions will be made. Please don't put us in the position of having to police your fun.

Thank you for your cooperation.

GBYSA Adult Soccer League Committee

Manager's Responsibilities

1. Liaison:

- Serves as liaison between the members of his/her team and GBYSA Officials.
- Provides effective communication to prevent problems before they occur.

2. Rule Interpreter:

- Explains all policies, procedures, rules, and format to each player on the team.
- Makes contact with GBYSA officials regarding any new league information.
- Personally signs for all information distributed by GBYSA committee members.
- Reads and reviews the entire game schedule for completeness.

3. Team Discipline:

- Responsible for behavior of team members before, during, and after the game.
- Only person on the team permitted to question GBYSA Adult League involving rule interpretation.
- Only person on the team to discuss any ejection/suspension, which has occurred involving their team.
- Insures any player(s) suspended will not participate in games until suspension is completed.

4. Rosters:

- Responsible for the accuracy of the team's roster.

5. Team Organization:

- Makes sure each player on the team knows the correct game times.
- Addresses all questions concerning the league directly to the GBYSA Officials to avoid misinformation and confusion.
- Checks the www.gbysa.org website for league information.
- Contacts officials at adultsoccer@gbysa.org.

6. Game Cancellations:

- Serves as contact when games are canceled. If no call is received the managers understands games are still “on” and scheduled to be played.
- Notifies all team members when games are canceled.

7. Backup Manager:

- When unable to attend games or meetings, the manager makes sure his/her replacement is knowledgeable of all policies, procedures, and rules.
- Notifies the GBYSA officials in advance who the backup manager will be.

8. Warm-Up Areas:

- Responsible for safety of team members and spectators.
- Makes sure his players warm up away from spectators and games in progress.

9. Drinking & Smoking:

- Informs team members and reminds them that **drinking is prohibited inside the fence enclosures, on the fields, and adjacent park areas.**
- **Informs team members smoking is not allowed on fields.**

SPECIAL NOTE TO MANAGERS ON SPECTATORS

Managers are responsible and will be held accountable for fans, friends and family members who come to support their teams. Your team’s spectators will be held to the same conduct regulations as your players. Your team can face red cards or suspension, or even banishment due to the acts of your spectators.

Spectators are certainly welcome and fans are encouraged to support their teams. Should spectator actions overstep acceptable behavior standards, the manager of the team whose spectators/fans are involved will receive a verbal warning. If not resolved, further action may include, but not limited to GBYSA officials requesting the person(s) involved to leave the area, game forfeiture or law enforcement involvement.

Please let your spectators know this rule

Keep in mind that GBYSA Adult League is a private league not part of Palm Beach County.

Behavioral Guidelines

Our goal is to provide safe and enjoyable recreational soccer for everyone involved. While the majority of our participants display competitiveness in the spirit of recreational fun, there are occasions when they challenge this objective. The following guidelines have been developed, to be applied in an equitable and consistent manner when individual or team actions jeopardize the parameters that insure a safe and enjoyable activity.

Action	1 st Offense	Further Occurrence
Trash Talking. Arguing. Profanity, gestures, Throwing objects. Harassing/Intimidating officials or referees. Intentional physical contact, player/player. Fighting Incidents requiring law enforcement.	Warning/ Yellow card Warning/ Yellow card Warning/ Yellow card Yellow card/Red card Red card /Game(s) suspension. Red card/Suspension Permanent Suspension from league Permanent Suspension from league	Red card/Suspension Red card/Suspension Red card/Suspension Permanent Suspension Permanent Suspension Permanent Suspension from league
INELIGIBLE/ILLEGAL PLAYERS (Not on Roster or Authorized)	Player ejected, team forfeits game.	Suspension of games and/or season.
Possession/Consumption/Use of Alcohol, Drugs, Tobacco within athletic complex fence/enclosure/field area prior to or during game.	Alcohol/Drugs – Ineligible to play. Tobacco – Verbal warning	Suspension

During all games the referee will be the one and only authority on the field. All calls will stand and will not be overturned. In the event of a Red card suspension the GBYSA Adult League Committee will review the referee’s game reports and make final decisions for all player and/or team suspensions.

When a suspension is incurred, the suspended games will be served in the GBYSA Adult League Division in which the suspension was incurred. Players **may not play** in another GBYSA Adult league game till suspensions are served. Un-served games will be carried over into the next season if not enough games remain in the current season to serve the full suspension (inclusive of tournaments).