

# Marin Interleague Soccer Alliance Protocols 2011

- **Age Groups** August 1<sup>st</sup> is the official cut off for age groups. Players may 'play up' if the individual club allows it, e.g. keep with same grade level  
No players may play beneath their age group. (exceptions by MISA board approval, in cases of mental or physical disabilities  
\* High School Team Exception - Player is currently enrolled in high school, 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades, OR is an Under 15 player.  
Assignments of players for the House Club teams shall be accomplished with the following objectives:
- **Team Formation** Balanced player strength on each team within each member club.  
Clubs may keep 25% of teams as a core, but the remaining 75% must be blind draft or by rankings. Point Reyes, Bolinas, San Geronimo Valley, and Tiburon are exceptions.
- **Roster Cards:** Each team shall have a laminated roster card with each players' photo and name on it. The roster card shall be 8 ½ x 11.
- **Roster Card / Referee Review:** Roster Cards will be presented to the referee prior to the game starting. Players not on the Laminated Roster Card are not allowed to play under any circumstance.
- **Teams without Roster Card at Game Time:** Teams without a roster card shall play the game, however forfeit that game.
- **Game Cards:** Referees shall complete game cards for every MISA game including the date, score, coaches names, and final score. The game card shall also include any infractions in which a penalty card has been issued. The game card shall be signed by referee and returned to the referees MISA home representative.
- **Coaches / Spectators:** Coaches and players for both teams shall be on the same sideline, with all non staff spectators viewing from the opposite sideline. There will be no viewing from either end-line.
- **Spectators:** All spectators shall behave in accordance with their home clubs Code of Conduct regardless of where the game is being played.
- **Coaching Staff:** There shall be a limit of three coaches / staff for each team. Each coaching staff shall have at least one staff member 18 years of age or older.
- **Referee Authority:** The referee has jurisdiction over the game and all coaches, players and spectators from the time he/she enters the field of play until he signals the end of the game. Referees will follow all home Club rules.
- **Uniform Color:** It is required that teams participate in distinctly different colors. In the event that both teams are wearing the same color, the home team will be required to change to an alternate color.
- Players wearing a hard orthopedic cast or splint shall not participate in any game. Soft casts may be allowed at the discretion of the referee.
- **Goalies** shall wear a jersey, or vest, of a color other than that of either team or the referee.
- **Select Team / Multiple Team:** Players are not allowed to play for multiple teams including, but not limited to, playing for a participating MISA team, as well as a second team of any qualification. Team rosters determined at August 1<sup>st</sup> date.
- **Multiple Team High School Age (Player) Exception:** There is one exception in which a player can play on multiple teams: a high school age player can play on a high school team as well as a MISA team.
- **Players** Every player, present and fit to play, shall play not less than one-half of the game time, including playoffs and tournaments. A player shall play only one game per day, excluding tournaments, **playoffs or championship games.** A game may be forfeited if any eligible player, **regardless of practice attendance,** does not play the minimum time of 50%.
- **Red/ Yellow Cards:** The Center Referee of the game notifies the Club Referee Coordinator, then contacts the MISA Representative and the MISA Coordinator, then brought to the MISA for further evaluation of suspension or consequence.
- **Violations of the MISA Protocols:** The MISA Board of Directors shall issue penalties for any violation of the protocols. The MISA BOD shall determine penalties at their monthly board meeting at the discretion of the simple majority of the board.