

# Midland Youth Soccer League

## 2010 constitution V.01

**Article I:** This Organization shall be known as the Midland Youth Soccer League, also referred to as MYSL, a non-profit organization.

**Article II:** It shall be the purpose of this organization to foster, promote and advance the cause of soccer without regard to age or sex and to guard the interest of the teams and players in respect to their relationship and continued affiliation with the United States Soccer Federation (USSF) and New Jersey Youth Soccer (NJYS).

**Article III:** The mailing address shall be: MYSL. 230 Chestnut Dr. North Hanover, NJ 08562-1625

**Article IV:** Each member (Township/Club/Military Post) shall be represented on the board of the MYSL by a maximum of two (2) representatives. Only one representative per Township/Club/Military Post is authorized to vote on league matters.

**Article V:** The board shall be comprised of the following:

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Other Board members

### Section 1: Duties of Officers

- a. President  
The President shall preside at all meetings of this league; enforce the Constitution, Bylaws and such rules as may be adopted by the membership; call all meetings as are herein provided to be called by him; and carry out directives of the board and the general membership.
- b. Vice President  
The Vice President shall serve as President in absent of the President.

**Article VI:** Meetings

- a. Regular general meetings of this league shall be held every other calendar month at a place and time designated by the president.
- b. The president or a board member has the authority to call a special meeting with seventy-two (72) hours notice to all board members.
- c. Special requests shall be conducted over the E-mail and forwarded to all members of the league and can be voted on by E-mail

**Article VII:** All amendments to this Constitution must be presented to the president in writing prior to an regular meeting in which this proposal will be reviewed and voted on.

Amendments to this Constitution require approval by two-thirds of the members.

**Article VIII:** Grievance Committee and Procedure

1. Grievances shall consist of illegal players, illegal numbers of players on the field, un-sportsman like conduct of coaches or players, fields, fights, ejection's of coaches or players, rule interpretations, etc...
  - a. The performance of a referee does not constitute a grievance.  
(see rule 6.)
  - b. When Township/club/Military Post handles a grievance and the MYSL is only notified about this, their ruling will stand and the MYSL will not take any further actions
2. Grievance Committee
  - a. This committee shall serve as a subcommittee of the MYSL.
  - b. This committee shall hear and resolve all protests and grievances of coaches, players or parents
  - c. This committee shall serve as the ruling body on grievances concerning the MYSL.
  - d. This committee shall consist of three (3) members and one (1) alternate member and shall serve for a period of one year.
3. Procedures for Filing Grievances
  - a. A member, Coach, Team member or a parent of an active team member can submit grievances.
  - b. Grievances must be submitted in writing to the Township/Club/Military Post representative of the MYSL within 48 hours after completion of the subject game or incident.
  - c. The Township/Club/Military post representative must submit this grievance to the MYSL Grievance Committee within 24 hours after receiving grievance.
  - d. Any member of the MYSL Grievance Committee entering a grievance as a coach will immediately disqualify him/herself, with the alternate member to assume that vacancy until a decision is forthcoming.
  - e. All decisions based on violations of the MYSL Constitution and Rules shall be final.

**Article IX:** Referee:

1. A grievance towards the referee should be made in writing to the League Referee Assignor, not the Grievance Committee.
2. **All referees** which are used for the games in the MYSL **are required** to have a **current referees license** (FIFA certified) and must be assigned to the games by a current FIFA certified assignor.

**Article X:** Coaches:

1. Shall conduct themselves in a manner that is consistent with the objectives of the MYSL.
2. Shall teach soccer fundamentals and instill in each player a spirit of sportsmanship, discipline and teamwork.
3. Shall not allow verbal abuse of any individual by players, coaches, parents or spectators.
4. Shall **not** use tobacco or alcohol in presence of players.
5. Shall be persons eighteen (18) years of age or older.
6. Shall obtain the needed licenses to coach as required by his/her Township/Club/Military Post (Rutgers certification, State license of F level or other equivalent licenses).
7. Shall obtain the needed background check as required by the state of New Jersey to coach youth sports
8. Will be provided a copy of the current rules by their Township/Club/Military Post representatives.

**Article XI:** Assistant Coaches:

1. Shall conduct themselves in a manner that is consistent with the objectives of the MYSL.
2. Shall teach soccer fundamentals and instill in each player a spirit of sportsmanship, discipline and teamwork.
3. Shall not allow verbal abuse of any individual by players, coaches, parents or spectators.
4. Shall **not** use tobacco or alcohol in presence of players.
5. Shall be persons eighteen (18) years of age or older.
6. Shall obtain the needed licenses to coach as required by his/her Township/Club/Military Post (Rutgers certification, State license of F level or other equivalent licenses).
7. Shall obtain the needed background check as required by the state of New Jersey to coach youth sports.
8. Will be provided a copy of the current rules by their Township/Club/Military Post representatives or Coach.