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# Handbook



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## I Am A Soccer Player

*I am a soccer player.*

*I'm a team player. I play with my friends and with some of my enemies, but I respect everyone when it comes to my sport. I know I'm probably not going to get a multi-million-dollar contract to play professionally. I know I may not even get my name in the paper. I play for the love of the game. For the pride and honour, for the blood, sweat and tears it takes to make the team, to earn the spot, to win the game. I play because I can; I play because I know that my life would be empty without the sport I play. I would have a lack of everything my sport gives me... integrity, courage, talent, fearlessness, pride, strength, stamina, will, and the heart of a champion. If I did not play, I would lose a part of me. I'm an athlete. I'm a champion, not because my team always wins, but because we always give our best effort. 100%. To play, you have to sacrifice everything, your body, your time, your sweat, blood, and tears, everything... for your team. I am a player, and athlete and a champion, not because I know what it is like to win, but because I know what it is like to lose. I know what it is like to walk out to receive the second-place trophy and applaud as the other team, my opponents, receive the first place one. I know what it is like to hurt, to want to quit, wanting to cry, to not want to get up, but to do it anyway... Because I know what it means to be an athlete, a true soccer player, and that is why I play.*

---"An Athlete's Pride" (anonymous) (Edited & revised by Robert Rodrigues)



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## **Suggestions for An Enjoyable Season**

1. I will not force my child to participate in soccer.
2. I will remember that my child plays soccer for his or her enjoyment, not for mine.
3. I will encourage my child to play by and honour the rules of the game. I will encourage my child to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
4. I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game.
5. I will always make my child feel like a winner every time by offering encouragement and praise for competing fairly and giving his/her best effort. I will make soccer a positive experience for my child.
6. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or any of the other players for making a mistake or losing a game.
7. I will remember that children learn best through positive reinforcement and encouragement. I will applaud good plays/performances by both my child's team and their opponents.
8. I will never question the official's judgments, calls, or honesty in public.
9. I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's soccer games.
10. I will respect and appreciate the volunteer coaches who give their time to coach soccer for my child.

Courtesy of USA Hockey  
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**Dear Parents/Guardians,**

Welcome to the Soccer Season. We look forward to a fun filled session wherein the children will hopefully learn more about soccer and themselves. The Representative system is designed for a higher caliber of fun and competition. While we always try to win the game, as long as the kids try their best and have fun doing it, we as adults should be happy. A few things need to be pointed out right from the start.

**Players** are expected to conduct themselves in a respectful manner at all times. Players are representing their teams, parents, the Brampton Youth Soccer Club and the City of Brampton. Sportsmanship should be developed as much as skill.

**Harassment of Game Officials** by players, coaches, parents, or any other spectator will not be tolerated. Anyone reported will be called in for discipline. The success of the soccer program depends on performance, patience and co-operation of **everyone** involved.

**Please** have your child at the field **at least** 30 minutes before the game and 10 to 15 minutes before practices. This will give time for the players to prepare themselves and allow coaches time to plan game strategy and talk to the players. The dressing room door will be closed for 5 to 10 minutes before taking the field and after the game to allow coaches and players to focus and reflect on the game. If for whatever reason your child will not be attending a game or a practice, please inform the coach or manager as soon as you are aware of the situation.

**Playing time** will be regulated as fairly as possible. Although at the Representative Level, equal playing time is not guaranteed, and is at the discretion of the coach.

**And lastly, we will only expect perfection from our player in one area. That area is Effort. 100% effort is expected at all times. That includes practices. "Victory isn't defined by wins or losses. It is defined by effort. If you can truthfully say, 'I did the best I could, I gave everything I had,' then you're a winner." --- Wolfgang Schadler**

**Parents** and all spectators are expected to conduct themselves in a respectful manner at all times. Please only shout **encouragement** to the **team**. Please **DO NOT** tell players what to do on the field of play. That is the job of the coaching staff. Take the time to sit back and enjoy watching the children develop into soccer players.

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Thank You.

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## **Important Team Information**

### **Team Philosophy**

To ensure the growth and development in soccer at the highest level. To foster individual feelings of belonging and self-worth. To develop community spirit and encourage a spirit of sportsmanship, ethics and fair play among all players, coaches and parents. To provide an environment that supports family values and promotes the advancement of life skills.

### **To Have Fun !**

### **Registration**

All players must be registered to play for Brampton Soccer Club before the start of the season.

**BSC Rules & Regulations** – Player transfers between A and B teams and Representative and House League teams must have executive approval. Player transfers within our club must be completed by December 1<sup>st</sup> for the indoor season and **June 1<sup>st</sup> for the outdoor season**. Player transfers between clubs shall be as per OSA/Rep league rules.

**BSC Rules & Regulations** – Recreational player may play for a rep team as a guest player up to 3 league games and one tournament providing it does not interfere with the house league game schedule.

### **Team Commitment**

We are pleased to have each and every one of the players on the team. Barring any unforeseen circumstances or player movement, the team roster will remain the same for the duration of the Outdoor season. The Club will be offering all teams Training in the Outdoor season. More information will be available at a later date once the fees have been finalized. To help in breaking down the costs, Sponsorships and Fundraising would be of great help in achieving our goals.

**BSC Rules & Regulations** - To assist in fundraising for the club, each Representative team must designate one person for the year to participate at each bingo operated by the club. Teams providing help at each bingo will be given an allowance for that bingo. Teams missing three (3) bingos in a row will be dismissed from any further participation in Bingos until the end of the fiscal year.

**BSC Rules & Regulations** – All Representative teams should have a bank account, with two (2) signing officials, under the team name. The account will remain the property of the team until that team no longer



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exists and any remaining funds should be returned to the club. Bank account signing officers will be Club Treasurer and/or Club President or Club Vice President

**BSC Rules & Regulations** – Each team must provide the club and the team's parents with a team financial statement by September 30<sup>th</sup> of the current year.

### **Tournaments**

Outdoor tournaments will be at the discretion of the coach and staff.

### **Team Rules**

Please see attached document pages 8 - 10

### **Equipment**

Each player is responsible for having shin guards and proper soccer shoes. Each player will receive two jerseys (home and away), one pair of shorts and socks.

**BSC Rules & Regulations** - Representative teams must wear official registered main colours unless otherwise dictated by the league.

### **Fundraising & Sponsorships**

Every dollar raised through fundraising will be used to offset the costs of this upcoming season for each player. You may choose to sign a form to opt out of the fundraising process if you wish, with the understanding that your family will not share in the proceeds and will be responsible to cover their costs of their child to participate in any team functions or additional training.

**BSC Rules & Regulations** – All requests to raise funds must be submitted, in writing, to the club for approval and must not in any way conflict with the efforts of the club to raise funds.

All Sponsorship monies received will be shared evenly as they will be considered a Team Donation. The money will not be applied to offset any individual player's cost. The more sponsors we can reach, the less our cost. This responsibility falls upon the parents of the team not the coaches. **Team Manager (Volunteer Position)**

The Managers role will be to coordinates telephone calling, emailing & administrative duties; Assist the coaches with setting up Game sheets for all games; Manage the Team bank account; Ensure all parents are contacted for any changes to practice or game schedules; Assist in Fundraising Co-ordination.



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## **Team Rules**

**A. School Vs Soccer** – It is acknowledged that school takes priority over soccer.

**B. Player Conduct** – Players are expected to conduct and present themselves in a respectful manner at all times. Players are representing their teams, the Brampton Soccer Club and the City of Brampton.

**C. Parental/Spectator Conduct** - Parents and all spectators are expected to conduct themselves in a respectful manner at all times. Please only shout **encouragement** to the **team**. Please

**DO NOT** tell players what to do on the field of play. That is the job of the coaching staff. Parents are encouraged not to coach their kids to and from the fields, as it may interfere with strategies and/or game plans. Parents are encouraged to discuss positive aspects of their child's game including expecting their best effort. Take the time to sit back and enjoy watching the children develop into soccer players. Parents, friends, relatives, are not allowed behind or near the player's bench during games. **Please abide the 24-hour rule for any issues or concerns with the coaches.**

**Any parent who does not abide by the parental / Spectator code of conduct will not be permitted to attend team games and practices. If they refuse, the player will be removed from the team without refund.**

**D. Reward for Play** – We do not promote or reward individual/selfish play “pay for play” this also put undue pressure on the child to perform. (e.g. gifts/money for goals is not conducive to our “team first” principle)

**E. Appearance** – Players are expected to show up to games dressed respectably (club provided uniforms and apparel). Players will change into their equipment in the dressing room (if one is provided).

**F. Game Officials** – Harassment of referees by players, coaches, parents or any other spectator will not be tolerated. The referees' decisions are to be respected.

**G. Punctuality/Attendance** - Please have your child at the field **at least** 30 minutes before the game and 10 to 15 minutes before practices. This will give time for the players to prepare themselves and allow coaches time to plan game strategy and talk to the players. The dressing room door (if available) will be closed for 5 to 10 minutes before taking the field and after the game to allow coaches and players to focus and reflect on the game. If for whatever reason your child will not be attending a game or a practice, please inform the coach or manager as soon as you are aware of the situation. Exceptions will only be made in extreme circumstances. In the case of a no-show no call it is at the coach's discretion how he will deal with the situation.

**Parents need to get their player/child to the practices, games and tournaments on time or make arrangements with another parent to get to the field. Please note that as per the OS, NO member of the coaching staff is permitted to take kids to and from the game and/or practices. Parents must pick up their player/child in a timely manner at all practices. If the parents are going to be late, it is the parent's responsibility to call the manager or coaches. Of which another parent on the team must wait with the staff until the child is picked up. Please advise the manager of vacation times if the player will be away for any length of time.**





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## **Player Team Rules**

### **A. Behaviour Rules and Expectations**

Everyone must follow all directions given by the coaches & assistant coaches. Everyone must hustle & do their best "When I talk you must be still & listen" I expect everyone to be a good sport whether we win or lose (this includes parents) "No cursing or name calling".

Disruptive or disrespectful behaviour **will not be tolerated**. Must respect coaching staff, fellow players, parents and officials. Must be prepared to do 'homework' at home such as soccer touches. Must do school homework and do well in school.

### **B. Safety Rules**

Keep your hands to yourself. Do not kick the ball in the air unless I tell you it is okay (otherwise kids will be getting hit in the back of the head) Dangerous behaviour will not be tolerated.

### **C. Player Discipline**

Players will be expected to honour and abide by the rules of the game. Players will be expected to conduct themselves with a "team attitude" at all times. This includes Games, Practices, and Team Functions and anywhere else you may see your teammates. Team disobedience, disruption, poor effort, poor attitude, swearing, abuse of opponents, referees or teammates will not be tolerated and will be subject to discipline. Discipline will start at verbal warnings. Progressing to sitting out shifts, half's, meeting with parents. **If contrary behaviour persists it may lead to suspensions or decarding player from the team. If the behaviour is of an extreme nature and decarding a player is necessary, a meeting with the parents and executive members of the club will be asked.**

### **D. Harassment**

The Club shall adhere to the Harassment Policy as published and approved by The OSA from time to time. The Harassment policy shall apply to all employees, directors, officers, volunteers, coaches, game officials, administrators, players, Members and registrants of the club. Harassment is defined as any comment, conduct, or gesture directed toward an individual or group of individuals which is insulting, intimidating, humiliating, malicious, degrading or offensive. It includes, but is not limited to, sexual harassment. The Club shall make available to any Member the Harassment Policy when requested.

### **E. Injuries**

Any player who sustains an injury severe enough to require an injury report while participating in team activities and /or requires post game/practice medical attention will not be permitted to play until cleared with a written doctor's note. Should a player sustain an injury outside of team activities that requires medical attention, please advise the coach/trainer of the situation. This information is necessary to ensure the player's safety.



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This is especially critical when dealing with head injuries. **IMPORTANT:** At no time will a parent assist the coach/trainer with an injury either on the field or on the bench. If the player's injury requires parental assistance, the parent will be called over.

**Playing time** will be regulated as fairly as possible. Although at the Representative Level, equal playing time is not guaranteed, and is at the **discretion of the coach**. Attendance, punctuality, discipline, and injuries will all be factored in the amount of playing time a player receives.

**Any questions?** Simple questions should be directed to the coaches either **before or after the game or practice, not during**. If the coaches cannot answer the question(s) to your satisfaction, we will refer you to the league office **Tel: 905-459-8989**

**Concerns** – Any serious concerns should be tabled **no sooner than 24 hours** after a game or a practice, either by phone, e-mail, or in person and then presented to the Head Coach by the Manager .

**Medical Conditions:** Please fill out the attached Medical Conditions & Emergency

Treatment Form. **Important: Everyone must fill this out.**

**Volunteers:** Volunteers are encouraged. Please fill out the attached form if you would like to help in any way. We need all the help we can get!



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## MEDICAL CONDITIONS & Emergency Treatment Form

**PARENTS: FILL THIS OUT! VERY IMPORTANT!**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

OHIP# (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Does your child have any dangerous medical conditions that I should know about (such as asthma?)**

**If so, list them below. Also, please sign to authorize emergency treatment.**

**How can you be reached in an emergency?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dangerous medical conditions (e.g., asthma):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Is there anything a doctor should know (e.g., drug allergies)** \_\_\_\_\_

**In a medical emergency, I authorize the coach and related personnel (such as assistants or parents of other team members) to take my child to the closest hospital for treatment.**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**(Parent or Guardian)**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



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Please either call me or fill out this form if you would like to help. You don't have to make a full-time commitment; part-time or occasional volunteers are also needed.

**I am interested in discussing:**

**Being a Team Manager** (coordinates telephone calling, & administrative duties)

**Parent Representative** (parent who would hold meetings among parents to discuss and resolve issues or concerns)

**Being the Fundraiser Coordinator** (coordinates fundraising among parent of team)

**Occasionally helping at practice** (help pick up balls & cones, assist the coach, etc.). You don't have to know anything about soccer.

**Bingo Volunteer** (providing help at each bingo) This will help bring additional funds for the team.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Home Tel#: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Tel#: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_



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**(Signed Coaches Copy)**

\_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian of \_\_\_\_\_

Are aware, that being selected to participate in the Select / Representative Program, there are additional fees associated over and above the registration fee set by the Brampton Soccer Club.

Also, that there is extensive travel to games and tournaments, of which it is expected the player to attend.

I have also received and read the **Letter to the Parents** and understand the expectations of myself and that of the player(s) involved.

I have filled out and returned the Medical Conditions Form, and Volunteer Form, to the Brampton SC Staff.

\_\_\_\_\_

(Parent / Guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_

(Parent / Guardian)



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## Sponsorship Application Form

Company / Group Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone#: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship Level (please check)

Team Sponsor (Tent & Banner) ..... \$ 800.00

Team Sponsor (Practice Uniforms) ..... \$ 400.00

Team Sponsor (Team bags) ..... \$ 400.00

Team Plaque Sponsors ..... \$ 250.00

All Team Sponsors will also be included on the Team Social Media, which will be posting pictures at all home, away and tournament games. All requests are on a first come, first serve basis.

Please make cheques payable to Brampton Soccer Club  Team. Your contributions are greatly appreciated by the players on the team.

Sponsor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Notes:**  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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# Parent(s) Abstains from Fundraising Form

We the parents \_\_\_\_\_

Of player \_\_\_\_\_, from the Brampton SC \_\_\_\_\_ team,

Which represents the Brampton Soccer Club. Abstain from any fundraising for the team. We acknowledge that we are to cover any cost in and above the select/representative fee as mandated by the Club.

A cheque will be issued before the 2<sup>nd</sup> game of the season. If said cheque does not clear, the above-mentioned parents will be responsible for any banking fees incurred and must have cash or certified cheque in the amount owing plus banking fees, before the 4<sup>th</sup> game or the player will be suspended from games and tournaments until payment is up to date. If no resolution is made the player will be immediately decarded and let, go from the team and placed on a house league team within the Brampton Soccer Club. Select/Representative fees will be prorated on a regular season games played, less carding fees and administration fees.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Coaches signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness (Manager/ Fundraising co-ordinator)



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## **Brampton SC Parental Contact Form**

Player Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Email \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Email \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian's Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian's Email \_\_\_\_\_

Other Info \_\_\_\_\_

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