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SOCCER FAQ'S

1. What does the YMCA provide and what do I need to purchase?

All players will be provided a team shirt. You will need to purchase shin guards, soccer socks, soccer cleats, a soccer ball (recommended), and water bottle. *YMCA Advice: Write your child's name on everything.*

2. When is practice and how often/long is it?

Generally, practices are held once a week (weather permitting) in the evening at the Sawmill Branch. They should last 45 minutes to an hour. Coaches set the practice schedule based on their availability.

3. When are games?

Games are predominantly scheduled for Saturday mornings between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Exact game times are based on the amount of participants registered. Weeknights are used for makeup games and for special events.

4. How do participants/coaches find out about rainouts/cancellations?

- a) All practice and game updates will be provided to the coaches. They will notify their players.
 - b) Free Text Alerts, which must be subscribed to each season.
- Spring Soccer updates: Text HAYSPRINGSOCCER to 84483 for free text alerts.
Fall Soccer updates: Text HAYFALLSOCCER to 844 83 for free text alerts.

5. Is there a specific side of the field that each team and fans need to stand/sit on?

Yes. We ask fans sit on the opposite side of where the coach and players set up.

6. What do teams do if their opponent has not showed up to play the game?

Teams will be allowed to scrimmage, or practice on the field for the duration of their game time if their opponent is a no show. This will record as a forfeit.

7. What if the other team does not have enough players to field a team?

If agreed upon by both coaches, teams may share players.

8. If the YMCA cancels a game, will it be re-scheduled?

Yes. If games are canceled by the YMCA, it will be rescheduled and coaches will be notified of the re-scheduled date.

9. How do I register?

You can register at either the JKR Branch or the Sawmill Branch by filling out a youth sports registration form. This form is also available on our website. If you are a current member you can also take advantage of online registration.