



Area 12-A Coach Application

U-17 Inter-Play Program

Date _____ Gender: Boys Girls Region: _____
 (Circle One)
 City: _____ AYSO Coaching Certification: _____
 Area Team Number: _____
 (For Area Use)

Name: _____ E-Mail: _____
 Address: _____
 Employer: _____ Occupation: _____
 Day Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____
 Fax: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Coaching Experience:

Years	Boys/Girls	Age Group	League
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Coach's Kid Zone Pledge: (Read and initial each item. Return to Area Inter-Play Administrator)

I will abide by the Six AYSO principles of Everyone Plays (at least half (1/2) the game), Balanced Teams, Open Registration, Positive Coaching, Good Sportsmanship and Player Development. I will arrive at the appointed time or earlier for practices and matches. _____

I understand that the top three (3) reasons kids play sports are to have fun, make new friends and to learn new skills. I understand that the game is for the kids, and I will encourage my players to have fun and keep sport in its proper perspective. I understand that athletes do their best when they are emotionally healthy, so I will be positive and supportive. _____

I will redefine what it is to be a "Winner" in my conversations with my players. A Winner is someone who makes maximum effort, continues to learn and improve, and does not let mistakes, or fear of making mistakes, stop them. I understand that mistakes are an inevitable part of any game and that people learn from their mistakes. I understand that all children are born with different abilities and that the true measure of success is not how my players compare to others but how each is doing in comparison to his/her best self. _____

I will "Honor the Game". I understand the importance of setting a good example of sportsmanship to my team. No matter what others may do, I will show respect for all involved in the match including coaches, players, opponents, opposing fans and referees. I understand that officials, coaches and players make mistakes. If a referee makes a "questionable" call, I will continue to respect the individual and remain silent! _____

I understand that matches can be exciting times for my players who are trying to deal with the fast-paced action of the match, respond to opponents, referees, teammates and listen to coaches. During the match, I will limit my comments to essential tactical instruction and encourage my players as well as opposing players. _____

I will not make negative comments about the match, coaches, referees, opponents or teammates in my players' presence. I understand that this is planting a seed, which can negatively influence my players' motivation and overall experience. _____

I understand that a completed Team Roster and Picture ID Cards for players and coaches, along with the Medical Release Form of players is required at each game before participation is allowed. I will make players, parents, and spectators aware of the administrative concerns and firm position regarding team discipline and behavior. _____

I currently have no restrictions placed on me from AYSO or any other legal restrictions that would preclude me from working with adolescents or further coaching in AYSO. _____

I agree to honor the AYSO Area 12-A Coach's Kid Zone Pledge in my words and actions.

I have received (electronically) or have been shown (www.ayso12a.org), where I can find the Area 12A Inter-Regional Policies and Procedures and agree to abide by their contents.

Applicants Signature: _____ **Date:** _____