



WHO WE ARE AND HOW WE OPERATE

We are a 100% volunteer run organization. We do not receive any compensation (this includes Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Referees, Field Markers, Board and Staff Members). Because we volunteer we can keep our fees low and enable more kids to enjoy the game of soccer. All that we ask by joining our organization is that you help us out and volunteer. Every year we form ~175 teams. This means we need ~175 Coaches, Assistant Coaches and Referees every season. Our volunteers are either parents or relatives of our players and are trained and screened (at no additional cost to the volunteer) by AYSO. Please join our ranks and help us make this a great organization for your kids!

How AYSO works from registration to game day:

- **April-June: Parents register their children during one of our open registration events. Parents sign up/volunteer to be the team coach or referee for their children.**
- July: Teams are created by a computer program based on the elementary school listed on the player's registration form. This adheres to the AYSO Balanced Team Philosophy.
- **July: Regional staff identifies the volunteer coaches and call them letting them know of training requirements and dates. Coaches are sent their rosters so they may call their team players, identify an assistant coach, referee, and team parent.**
- August: Coach and Volunteer Kick off meeting: Updates, Practice field assignments, Introductions, and Uniforms.
- **August-September: Coach and Referee training. Practices begin (U7 and up).**
- September-October: Fall half, games each Saturday for 8 weeks.
- **November-February: Winter Break**
- March-April: Spring half, games each Saturday for 8 weeks.

Teams do not have coaches unless an adult over 18 years old volunteers and completes the AYSO volunteer registration form and required training (mostly online). **If there is no adult willing to volunteer there can be no team. AYSO will give you all the training and support you need to be a successful coach. This is not about winning at all costs; it is about the kids having a great time learning the sport of soccer. Lack of an adult volunteer is not a valid reason to receive a refund.**

Refund policy: If a parent wishes to withdraw their child from AYSO they may do so at any time.

- Full 1447 play fee* refund by July 31
- 50% 1447 player fee* refund by August 15
- No refunds are available after August 15

***1447 player fee, does not include the National AYSO membership fee, credit card transaction fee, or practice jersey fee. The National Membership fees are non-refundable.**

I have read the refund policy: _____ initial here

Where does my registration money go?

- Player uniforms (practice jersey, game jersey, shorts and socks)
- Coach shirts
- Referee uniforms
- Field and game equipment (balls, field paint, goals, etc.)
- Training materials for coaches, referees and staff
- Rent, utilities, copying and all other operating expenses
- Insurance for players and volunteers, background screenings

At the beginning of every season, we scramble to find a volunteer coach for your child's team. We send emails, make phone calls, and organize meetings for the parents of the teams that do not have coaches assigned. If you receive this type of email or phone calls please do everything that you can to help. Many times we can arrange teams to have multiple co-coaches in order to fit everyone's busy schedules. The lack of a parent volunteer is not a valid reason to request a refund. This organization is about serving the children. Please do everything possible to help us make your team work.

I have read and understand the volunteer requirements and the refund and returned check policies of AYSO Region 1447.

Parent Name (please print) and Signature

Player's Name (please print)

Player's Birthdate