

PAL Soccer League, Inc. P.O. Box 50 Niceville, FL 32588-0050
Procedures for applying to coach a 2020 Niceville PAL Soccer League team

Prior to completing the online or in-person Coach Application

1) Complete your Concussion training:

- You **will have** to complete it again, even if you did it last year (must have 2020 completion date)
- You **will have** to complete one of these courses, even if you did the Sideline Sports Doc (SSD) for STARS this spring
- >Once complete, save your Concussion training certificate to be uploaded when you apply.

a) OPTION 1: Centers for Disease Control (CDC) HeadsUp training:

<https://www.cdc.gov/headsup/youthsports/training/index.html>

NOTE: CDC has created a new training system. Old accounts are no longer valid and you will have to create a new account with their learning management system to complete the training.

b) OPTION 2: NFHS Concussion in Sports training:

<https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61151/concussion-in-sports>

NOTE: NFHS has also revamped their system and you will have to create an account to complete the training. Historically, the NFHS site goes down the week before our coaches clinic due to their servers not being able to handle all the schools and sports organizations completing training at the same time.

2) Complete Safe Sport Training and become Safe Sport Trained:

--SafeSport is a federally mandated requirement. If you completed SafeSport previously, you will have to complete the refresher. Your certificate must have a 2020 completion date.

--You will have to create an account with SafeSport.org, or log into your old account.

--SAY is our National Governing Body and the link is:

<http://safesport.org/authentication/register?token=ee57337f-31f9-421d-b095-82fc8c8c4c41>

When you click the link it should pop up US Soccer as the membership name, please **select US Soccer** if it does not auto populate. You will need: **YC3E-6P5G-YYIL-CS2M**

--IMPORTANT: If you find yourself having to pay a \$20 fee, please stop and email

pal.directorofcoaching@gmail.com. You should not have to pay this fee and PAL will not reimburse it.

--You must complete all three modules and receive the "Safe Sport Trained" Certificate. The intermediate certificates will not be accepted for this requirement.

----->Once complete, save your Safe Sport Trained certificate to be uploaded when you apply

3) Apply to coach via Blue Sombrero:

- a) Log in to your Blue Sombrero account
- b) Click the dropdown next to your picture and select 'Account'
- c) Click on 'Volunteer Opportunities'
- d) Click 'Find Volunteer Roles' if none show
- e) Next to the PAL Divisions 2020 hit the 'Select' button then hit 'View Available Positions'
- f) Hit 'SignUp' next to VIP and then hit 'Continue' at the bottom of the page
- g) Complete the application. You will be required to upload your SafeSport certificate, and your concussion training certificate to complete the application.
- h) Once you have completed the coach application, please email the Director of Coaching at pal.directorofcoaching@gmail.com and the VIP Coordinator at arriell.anderson@gmail.com to initiate your background check.

5) You may register to coach at the in-person registration, but please complete your SafeSport training, and concussion training prior to the registration to streamline the process.

6) Please do not delay as the background checks can take over a week to clear. PAL will pay for your background check. You will receive confirmation from the Director of Coaching when cleared to begin coaching. Thank you for volunteering and making it possible to provide our children opportunities to play and learn soccer.

We wish you a fun, rewarding season.

Howard Hill, President

Anthony Loicano, Director of Coaching

Questions: Contact PAL Director of Coaching Anthony Loicano at 850-797-4786 or at

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