

Player Participation Rules and Procedures - March 24, 2013

1 – Players must reside in Exeter Township, St. Lawrence Borough, Mt. Penn Borough, or Amity Township to participate as a player without Board Approval. The Board can accept requests for players outside these geographical areas and approve/reject any request for the good of the club. Associated clubs through Reading United (currently Twin Valley and Governor Mifflin) must be contacted and permission granted prior to EYSA Board accepting requests from those clubs.

2 – Players must adhere to all rules of sportsmanship and attendance to be eligible to play. If a player repeatedly demonstrates a lack of respect for their coaches, teammates, competitors, or officials; a player may, after the coach consults with the Girls or Boys Director, be suspended from future practices and games for a period of time. It shall be the responsibility of each coach to maintain records of behavior infractions if such coach intends to request a player suspension pursuant to this provision. This rule includes yellow and red card infractions in games, however, goes further by including behavior issues that are not game related.

3 – Players accounts must be in good standing with the club. If membership fees have not been paid from a prior season of play, the player may be refused assignment to a team by the Board for a current season. If a player account has not been paid prior to a current season (May 1 for Fall Season, Feb 1 for Spring season) a player may be refused participation in evaluations which could affect placement on T1 or T2 teams, and a player can remain unassigned to a team until their account is brought up to date. Once a player's account is brought up to date their team assignment will be made based on their most recent evaluations with the club, and space on teams as available.

4 – Players playing at T1 level should play both Fall and Spring schedules and are expected to play in Tournaments as requested. Players that do not play both seasons but qualify as a T1 player can be assigned to a T1 team only after players willing to play both seasons have filled available T1 positions.

5 - Excepting injury, illness, or similar situation, or a circumstance addressed by this Participation Policy, Level 1 and 2 coaches shall ensure that each Player plays at least 40% of each game. Level 3 coaches shall insure that each Player plays at least 50% of each game. A game includes regular season games, tournaments, and playoffs where applicable.

6 - If a Player fails to participate in at least 75% of the team's practices that precede any game (measured from the beginning of official practices for the season), for reasons other than illness or injury, such Player's playing time in such game shall be determined at the discretion of the team's head coach or acting head coach. It shall be the responsibility of each head coach to maintain attendance records if such coach intends to limit playing time pursuant to this provision.

7 - If a player fails to participate in at least 50% of the team's regular season games up to any point after the first 2 games of the applicable season, for reasons other than illness or injury, such Player's playing time in the next game of the season shall be determined at the discretion of the team's head coach or acting head coach, until that player's attendance is again at or better than 50%. It shall be the responsibility of each head coach to maintain attendance records if such coach intends to limit playing time pursuant to this provision.

8 – The Board reserves the right to remove a player from a team or the club, or relegate a player to a different level of play if any of the above guidelines are not followed or improved upon.