

PURPOSE: To insure all team members actively participate and experience all aspects of the game of soccer. Also, the purpose of this policy is to define the deadline for payment of registration fees and how non-payment will effect player participation.

BACKGROUND: Coaches within the St. Jane Soccer Association are required to play every team member in accordance with the guidelines set forward by the league or tournament of play. If no rules exist, then every recreational (AAYSA/County, and intramural) team member will be played at least equivalent to one-half of each game, which he/she attends. For select teams, coaches should attempt to play each player at least one-fourth of each game. A game is defined as any competition to include: scrimmages, regular season, post-season and tournaments.

Non-intramural coaches have the **option** of restricting play to one quarter of the game in which a non-intramural player has been absent, without a valid reason, from all practice sessions prior to the game.

Non-intramural coaches have the **option** of restricting play for a full game or suspending a player for serious disciplinary reasons.

IMPORTANT NOTE: In order to insure decisions to restrict playing time or suspend a player are consistent with league, county and association rules and policies, coaches who plan to restrict playing time or suspend a player for any reason **MUST** notify the appropriate Director as soon as possible after the decision to restrict playing time or suspend a player has been made. Whenever possible, decisions to restrict playing time or suspend a player should be discussed with the appropriate Director before announcing the decision to the player and his/her parents. Additionally, St. Jane Soccer Association coaches must make every effort to be fair and consistent when making decisions to restrict playing time or suspend players.

Payment of Registration Fees: The St. Jane Soccer Association expects payment of registration fees immediately upon registration, whether the player is registered on-line or during a walk-up registration. However, in those rare cases when payment is not made at the time of registration, the following policy exists. Players will be restricted from playing if registration payment is not received prior to the first league game of the season or any pre-season tournament game. For insurance purposes, MSYSA insure fees will be paid by the Association for any registered player.

The St. Jane Soccer Registrar will take the following actions for unpaid players:

- 1) Written notification to all unpaid player's responsible guardian on the day AAYSA team registrations are due or intramural teams are determined.
- 2) A second notification will be sent, one week before the start of the season.
- 3) If the St. Jane Soccer Association Treasurer has not received payment prior the first scheduled game, the player will be restricted from playing in all games, practices, and scrimmages until the Treasurer has received payment.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Players that registered for a soccer season, but are unpaid and withdraw after the stated deadlines (See Policy 9502) will be considered "unpaid players" for that season and will not be eligible to register for subsequent seasons until payment is made in full.

For hardship cases, the parent, guardian, or coach of the player may request a season scholarship in writing to the SJS Board of Directors.