

AYSO Region 7 Information Sheet for New and Returning Parents

We Need Volunteers!

AYSO is an all-volunteer organization. Every single thing that has to happen for you and your family to enjoy soccer in our region is done by a volunteer. There is a constant buzz of activity going on behind the scenes and every single person that volunteers, even in the slightest way, helps to improve the program for the children.

There are many opportunities to volunteer, including coaching, refereeing, field duty, team parents, assistant coaches, banner makers, party organizers, picture day helpers, and on and on. Please talk to your coach and ask him/her how you can help. If you just want to help but aren't sure how, please email the RC. If you entered a volunteer position on your kid's application form and haven't been contacted, please email the RC.

Be Your Child's Best Example

You will hear this statement a lot: "AYSO – it's for the kids". It really is. And we adults are responsible for setting the best possible example for our kids and our neighbor's kids.

Exhibit good sportsmanship at all times. Do not yell at your coach. Do not yell at your referee. Do not yell at your children. Coaches coach, referees referee, and parents cheer. Your behavior affects your children. No matter what their age, your children (and their friends!) notice how you behave at the soccer field.

Remember that the coaches, referees, and other volunteers are VOLUNTEERS. They are giving their time so that you and your child can enjoy this Beautiful Game of soccer! An AYSO volunteer's best reward is to the smiles on the kids' faces – what a great feeling to see kids having fun and know that you had some small part in it. An AYSO volunteer's second best reward comes when a parent thanks you. Thank your volunteers. It will make their day.

No smoking, no alcohol, no swearing. Ever. Period.

Game Fields

Carl E. Nielson Youth Park (Grass)
6000 Will Rogers Street, 90045

Playa Vista Park (Turf)
13196 West Bluff Creek Drive, 90094

Saint Bernards High School (Grass)
9100 Falmouth Ave, 90293

Field Responsibilities

WATER ONLY is permitted on the turf fields in Playa Vista. Sports drinks, coffee, snacks, and so on are forbidden on turf fields.

Clean up after yourselves. We do not have trash pickup volunteers, and we need everyone to dispose of their trash themselves. Suggestion: the family that is providing snacks on a given week should also bring a trash bag and dispose of the trash after the game!

No bicycles! No dogs! We're not trying to be mean here. Permit and insurance considerations prohibit bicycles and dogs at AYSO events.

Field Setup and Tear-down. Please do your part. Your coach is one of the busiest volunteers in the entire organization. Please help him or her by doing field setup and tear-down. Please arrive early when you have the first match of the day so you can help set up, and be prepared to stay a bit longer to help tear-down if you have the last game of the day.

Bathrooms. Please do your best to keep the bathrooms in decent condition. The only paper that goes in the toilet is toilet paper. All other paper goes into the trash bin.

Be good neighbors. Please obey parking restrictions. Never block a driveway, not even a little bit! Don't overstuff a trash bin, take your trash with you. Never litter. Imagine what it must be like to live next to a sports park, and behave accordingly.



ALERT!
You are entering an

AYSO kids zone

By entering this kids zone you agree to the following:

- Kids are #1
- Fun – not winning – is everything
- Fans only cheer, and only coaches coach
- No yelling in anger
- Respect the volunteer referees
- No swearing
- No smoking
- Leave no trash behind
- Set a proper example for our children

If you can agree to the above, we welcome you.
IF NOT, WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE LEAVE NOW
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