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## NJYS Based Insurance



Although perhaps not widely known, in the past, league and club officers and directors were covered for D&O and Crime Insurance through policies executed by NJYS. The state D&O Insurance policy is set to expire on May 15, 2017. The NJYS Board of Directors voted to renew that coverage, which will again extend to league and club officers and directors.

The NJYS Crime Insurance policy is set to expire on July 5, 2017. At this time, when that policy is renewed, NJYS will not be able to extend that coverage to league and club officers and directors. All clubs are hereby put on notice to seek their own coverage going forward.

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## Rounds 1 & 2



Reminder that Round 1 - originally scheduled for March 12th - was moved to Sunday, June 4th, to be played at the times as originally scheduled. The entire round, all games, were moved.

## Uniform Clarification



It was previously announced that pursuant to the recent FIFA changes to the Laws of the Game, players and teams were limited as to what they could wear under their game day uniforms.

For the Spring 2017 season, if players and teams elect to wear additional clothing under their game uniforms, that clothing must all match. The additional items do not have to match the jersey or the shorts, but they must all match each other. In other words, if a team elects to wear black long sleeves under its uniform, all players must wear black or no additional long sleeve item.



Round 2 games - originally scheduled for Sunday March 19<sup>th</sup> - were canceled in part and rescheduled in part. Flights that have an uneven number of teams, creating byes, will be required to make up those games. The league will review the schedule and notify those teams who will need to reschedule their games.

As well, all Div. 1&2 (U15-U19) games must be rescheduled and played.

## Coaching Education **F** **E**

The South Jersey Soccer League encourages all coaches, assistant coaches, trainers and other interested individuals to continue their soccer education. US Soccer has developed a new Coaching Education Pathway which will become effective in January 2018. As more information becomes available, it will be provided.

Currently, there are two paths that you can follow to be licensed as a soccer coach. You can attend one of the National soccer courses and obtain your F License, and continue your education all the way up to your A License. Or you can attend one of the NJYS soccer courses and obtain your F and E course certificates.

To be carded as a coach in a SJSL league sanctioned match, an individual must hold a minimum of an F License, whether National or State. If you currently hold a state F License, we encourage you to continue with your soccer education by either taking one of the National courses or by taking the state E course.

The state E course is similar to and builds on the state F course by focusing on practice design and training examples. There is no waiting period between the state F and E course certifications. For more information, check out the NJYS website at:

<http://www.njyouthsoccer.com/clubsite/?p=4750>.



## Upcoming NJYS State Courses



Once a course is full, it no longer appears on the NJYS website. NJYS State F/E Courses are held all across the state and are held at locations set by the hosting club.

There are several upcoming courses as hosted by SJSL member clubs. They include:

### F Courses:

5/19–5/20 Deptford\*

8/11–8/12 Deptford\*

### E Courses:

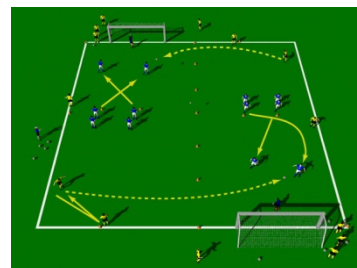
4/21–4/22 Highland YSC

6/2–6/3 Monroe Twp.

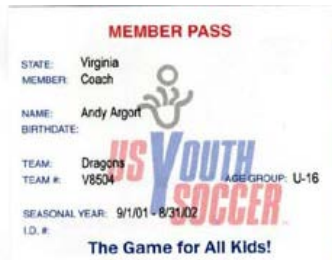
8/18–8/19 Deptford\*

Please continue to check the NJYS website to see when courses are open.

\* Will be posted shortly.



## No Exceptions!

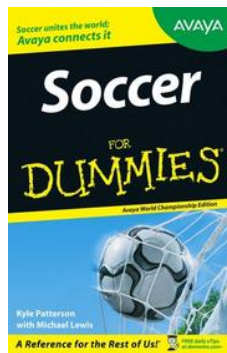


Just a reminder – SJSJL enforces the general policy of No Pass, No Game Roster, No Play – No Exception.

To play in a SJSJL sanctioned league match, all players must hold a validly approved USYS NJ Player Pass. The coach must be able to produce the actual physical player's pass. Copies or electronic versions are not acceptable. US Club or other organizational passes are also not acceptable.

To be on the team side of the field, all coaches and trainers must hold validly approved USYS Coach or Non-Volunteer passes. Again, the actual physical pass must be produced.

All players and coaches must also appear on the Game Day Roster. Two copies of the GDR should be brought to every game. One is for the opposing coach, and one is for the referee. The actual physical GDR must be produced. The Game Day Roster cannot be printed for a game sooner than 3 days before the game date, and only the referee may write on the GDR. All pass information should be printed on the GDR through Bonzi.



## How do I Add a Player to My Team?

The team that the player wishes to play for must complete the necessary paperwork to add the player to that team's active roster. To do so, follow the steps below:

- Verify that the player is not already carded to a team. (If the player is currently carded to a team, the player must be released before he/she can be added to the new team.)
- Verify that you have enough room on your active roster and that you will not be exceeding the number of transfers or the total number of players carded to your team for the year:
  - Before adding this player, you had less than:
    - 22 players on your roster (U13 & above)
    - 18 players on your roster (U11 & U12)
    - 14 players on your roster (U8 to U10)
- If this is a transfer player, verify you have transferred less than 5 players (who were previously carded to another team) to your team for the seasonal year (not counting intraclub transfers).
- Over the course of the seasonal year, before adding this player, verify you had less than:
  - 28 players carded to your team (U13 & up)
  - 24 players carded to your team (U11 & U12)
  - 20 players carded to your team (U8 to U10)
- Ensure that the relevant club and league rules/policies permit the player to be added to your team.
- Follow any club specific requirements to add the player.

Instructions to add a player to your team through Gotsoccer are also available on the state website at [www.njyouthsoccer.com](http://www.njyouthsoccer.com) under the "Registration Info" tab.

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## More “Offside”:

Offside questions continue to arise as coaches and players struggle to understand the rule.

Let’s assume an attacker (Red #9) was in an offside position when his teammate (Red #12) attempted to pass him the ball. It was intercepted by a defender (Blue #5) who then attempted to clear the ball forward. The defender (Blue #5) kicked the ball forward but it hit the back of another defender (Blue #3) in front of him and deflected backwards to the attacker (Red #9) still in an offside position. The attacker (Red #9) then immediately turns and scores a goal. Should a goal be awarded?

Answer? Goal!

The moment Blue #5 played the ball, the play that had been initiated by Red #12 (which resulted in Red #9 being labeled as in an offside position) was over. Now that Blue has possession, by definition, Red #9 is no longer in an offside position. Thus when Red #9, who used to be in an offside position but now isn’t, receives the ball from off the back of Blue #3, he is not offside.

The goal was scored by Red #9, an attacker, who received the ball from an opponent (Blue #3). Offside and onside positions are determined only by looking at where attackers are at the moment the ball was last touched or played by a teammate, not by an opponent.

