



2010 COACH UPDATE NEWSLETTER #1

(Please Note: These coaches update Newsletter are also on the FSYFL Web Site at the Coaches page)

1. Registration Payments

If your team is definitely in the tournament and you have begun registering your players, you should start sending any payments that you have received from your players to the FSYFL offices. Attach the "Player Registration Form" to the players check and send it to the address on the "Coaches Disbursement Form". If you have multiple teams and you register for all of them together, please attach checks for each team to a separate Coaches Disbursement Form.

2. Downloading Latest Documents

Please make sure you download the latest documents from the web site. As there have been some alterations during the last few weeks. The following documents have been updated:

- Player Registration Form (changed the varsity weight classification)
- Coaches What to do Document (added the Team Zone Sports process steps)

3. Coaches Page

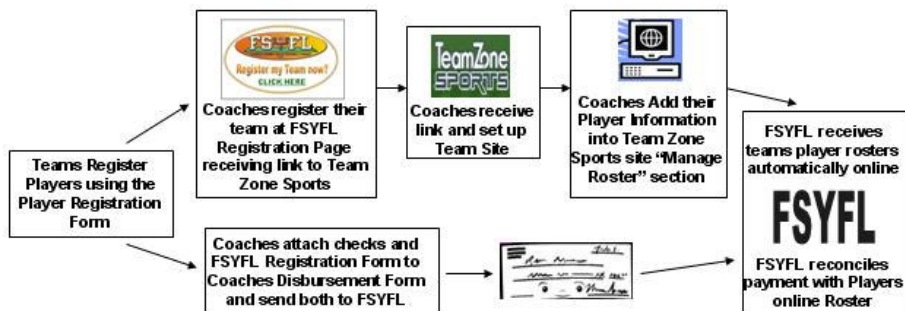
Remember ALL documents that you will need for the management of your teams are on the Coaches page of the FSYFL web site.

4. Entering your Roster onto Team Zone Sports – **Very Important!**

The FSYFL is utilizing a new player registration system this season called "Team Zone Sports". All coaches of each team are required to register their players on line using this system. All coaches should go to the FSYFL web site registration page and click on this button or go to this link <http://www.fsyfl.com/registration.html#TeamRegistration> Once you submit your details you will receive a link back to your emails that will allow you to set up your user name and password and your own team web site. This program has many features that you can use, however the only FSYFL requirement is to add your players to the manage roster section on this system - the other features are NOT mandatory. The directions for these steps are in the newly released "Coaches What to Do Document". If you have decided to enter the tournament, and the FSYFL is aware of your entry, please proceed to this step as soon as possible. You will be receiving emails regarding this shortly.



5. FSYFL Registration Process - here is a graphic display of the steps required for the FSYFL registration process.



6. Certification Process

As many of you already know we will be simplifying the weight and field certification process for the 2010 season. The following guidelines describe how we will handle this:

- *Pre Season Certification Meeting* - This meeting will be held 7-10 days prior to season start, in each region. The FSYFL will set up the dates, times and locations for the meeting. All team coaches (no players) are required to attend with their team player file folders. These folders will then be checked for correct paperwork, hard cards, photos, birth certificates and liability forms. The on line roster system (Team Zone Sports) will be available at that time to make any corrections to the rosters of missing players etc.
- *First Game Weigh In* - All players on each team roster will be checked against their hard card and photo and then weighed. If the player's weight is qualified then the hard card will be stamped with an FSYFL certification stamp over the card AND photo. Once a player has been weighed and certified they do not have to weigh again for the rest of the season.
- *Second Game Weigh In* - Due to the fact that teams are allowed to add players up to the beginning of the 2nd game, all late addition players will be weighed in and stamped at this 2nd game weigh in. Following this the final roster for that team will be stamped with the FSYFL certified stamp and this roster placed inside the coaches file folder. No additions or changes will be allowed to the team from there on out.
- *Field Check In* - For the remainder of the season, players will be checked in using the team file folder with photograph verification only. **NO PLAYER WILL BE ALLOWED TO TAKE THE FIELD TO PLAY ANY GAMES WITHOUT FULL PAYMENT AND PAPERWORK COMPLETED.**

7. Cheerleading Program

Don't forget this season we have started a pilot cheer program. The program description guidelines are on the Coaches page of the web site. However in summary your coaches can form a cheer squad to cheer for your teams. These squads can be made up of mixed age groups if you wish. The program is fairly inexpensive and gives a chance for your cheer girls and coaches to get a small jump on the fall season. The Cheer Director is Suzanne Sarwatka 813 949 0621 and her email is cheermeup86@yahoo.com Take a look at the document on line.

8. One Game Travel

Please remember that every team that participates will be asked to travel ONE week during their regular season game schedule to a different region. During this trip your team will be playing a double header (Example: Game #1 at 10am and Game #2 at 1pm) This allows us to ensure a very diverse schedule for all teams. As other teams will be travelling into your region to play you as well. Most teams use this as a fun trip out of town for their players and we have had great success with this in past seasons.

9. Spreading the Word on the FSYFL

The FSYFL would sincerely appreciate it if coaches have organizations/other coaches they know who would be interested in joining the tournament. While we currently have over 180 teams that have expressed interest to date, the more teams that participate the better!! Please feel free to email the FSYFL Brochure to anyone who you think who might be interested.

Finally....Thank you all for your participation. The mission of the FSYFL is provide a well run and fun state wide tournament that allows coaches and players to experience games against teams outside of their normal fall programs, at the same time as developing their clubs talent in the off season. **However we recognize that none of this would be possible without you!**