



# CAPITAL SOCCER CLUB

JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI



## COACHING APPLICATION

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Position for which you are applying: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a child playing in this age group? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Do you hold a current USSF or MYSA license? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If yes what level \_\_\_\_A\_\_\_\_B\_\_\_\_C\_\_\_\_D\_\_\_\_E\_\_\_\_F

If not, would you be willing to obtain a license at the first opportunity in this area? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If you are applying for head coach you must have or be able to obtain an E license.

Please list 3 personal references, at least one of which would be the parent of a player on your most recent team, if any.

Name	Address	Phone
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Our fall season usually runs from approximately September 1 through November 10 and our spring season begins about March 1 and may run through May. Each season consists of league and/or other individual games as well as 3-4 tournaments so that the total number of games per season could be as many as 25. Our teams practice twice a week during the season. Do you feel that you could make the necessary commitment of time? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No. Do you feel that you will be able to balance your time between job, family and team so as to minimize the number of canceled practices and other time conflicts that may arise? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No.

Attached to this application is a copy of our club philosophy. Do you feel that you could live with these policies? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No. On the back of this page or on another sheet of paper please write something about your experience along with a statement of what you might be able to bring to this position which would benefit our program of player development. Also make any constructive criticism you would like concerning our philosophy.

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## PHILOSOPHY OF COACHING

Even though our players were “chosen” to be on our teams, we must keep in mind that they are youth and that for our program to succeed, soccer must be and remain FUN, even though it may at times involve very hard work on the part of the players.

Emphasis shall be on the technical development at the younger ages (and continuing throughout our program), moving to combination (small group) play and then to tactical (team) play, as the player’s are ready for that. We must recognize that players learn most when each player is able to handle the ball him/her self, therefore much emphasis in practice shall be placed on small-sided games and activities in order to maximize ball contact and encourage success.

It is the responsibility of the coach to insure that all his/her practices are understood, practiced and assessed.

The coach must involve the imagination of the players and challenge their ambitions. The coach should set standards that are just within reach. Flair, imagination and creativity should be encouraged.

It is expected that successful efforts be praised and encouraged much more so than unsuccessful efforts criticized.

We must also recognize that our families have a sizable financial investment in this program and therefore it is expected that all players (unless they are suspended) play a fair portion of every game. This must be applied even-handedly to the whole team and so-called “star” players not be allowed exceptions to this rule, particularly with regard to excessive absences.

We recognize that the coach must prepare his players in practice to be ready on game day. League play is for the purpose of developing individual and team skills, not to instill the need to win. The goal in tournaments is to win, however it is the honing of skills in league play that will provide for the opportunity to win.

And finally, coaches must inculcate in the minds of the players those qualities of fair play, honesty and integrity, which we hope will translate to other social situations. It is more important for a coach to consider the development of his players in terms of skill and character, than to be focused on tournaments and win/loss records.