



*Bethesda Soccer - Good Times, Good Friends & Good Soccer*

2011/2012 Youth Development Program  
U8-U12 Boys and Girls  
Player Registration Package

## **WELCOME AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

Congratulations on being selected to play for Bethesda Soccer Club during this upcoming year.

As our tagline promotes, we as a club are committed to Good Times, Good Friends and Good Soccer.

### **GOOD TIMES**

Bethesda Soccer Club strives to provide an environment that is enjoyed by the entire family. We promote good sportsmanship at all games. Good sportsmanship should be honored and displayed by our coaches, players and parents. We believe that this fundamental characteristic will provide the best environment for good times at Bethesda Soccer Club games and events.

### **GOOD FRIENDS**

Our teams generally have players coming from all over the area, not just a single neighborhood. Therefore it is important to the team that parents and players get to know one another both on and off the field. Chances are you will be spending a fair amount of time with one another throughout the players' tenure at Bethesda. We encourage players and parents to organize and attend social activities with their teammates. This extra effort will help our teams to maintain a close relationship among the players and parents.

### **GOOD SOCCER**

In addition to Good Times and Good Friends, we focus on Good Soccer. Good Soccer can mean very different things to different people. At Bethesda Soccer Club our focus is not on wins and losses. Our attention is focused on player development. As a club, our primary concern is with the development of individual player's technical skills.

## **REGISTRATION AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

**In order to start the year off, we need you to complete the online registration form located on our website. [Player Registration Information](#)**

You will begin to receive emails from your manager and coach, as well as receive a newsletter from the club that highlights club activities.

Please go to our website [www.bethedasoccer.org](http://www.bethedasoccer.org) to learn more about the club.

## **DESCRIPTION OF FEES AND FINANCIAL POLICIES**

### **COSTS INCLUDED IN ANNUAL PLAYER FEES:**

- BSC Club Fees
- MSYSA Registration and/or US Club Registration
- Fall and Spring Practice Sessions: Two sessions per week (locations may include the MD Soccerplex or CUPF field). At coach's discretion, a third practice session may be scheduled at a field secured and paid for by the team.
- Winter Practice Sessions: Two practice sessions per week on high-quality outdoor fields or indoor space
- Goalkeeper Training: Weekly specialized training for team goalies
- Team Coaching Fees & Director of Coaching Support
- 2011/2012 League Fees (WAGS, NCSL, OBSL, BBSL)
- Game Fields (U9 to U12-Muldoon's Farm, U08 – Rosa Parks Middle School)
- U09 to U12, three (3) Tournaments – 1 fall, 2 spring
- BSC Thanksgiving Tournament
- 1 week Summer Day/Evening Camp

The fee **does not** include player uniforms, warm-ups, practice jerseys, or player travel-related costs, nor does it include travel/hotel fees for head coach.

### **Fees:**

Fees are determined annually on an age group basis. You will be notified by your manager or coach each July of the fees for the new season.

### **Mid Season roster additions/transfers in:**

Fees for players added/transferred in during a season will be assessed as follows:

Nov/Dec addition	60%	of annual per player fee
Jan/Feb	50%	of annual per player fee
Mar and beyond	40%	of annual per player fee

### **Injured Players:**

A player injured for three (3) months or more may receive a reduction in the player fee provided he or she applies to the club for a reduction and provides a doctor's report on the condition of the player, the probable duration of the injury and any recommended physical therapy. "The player should state in the application whether s/he intends to remain on the roster after recovering from the injury and completing any rehabilitation period." If approved, the minimum relief granted will be 15% of the annual fee; the maximum relief granted for extreme

circumstances will be 30% of the annual fee. The Board of Directors will establish a committee to review any application for fee reduction and determine whether to grant a reduction and, if so, in what amount.

**Scholarships:**

Bethesda Soccer Club has a limited amount of funds each year available for our members. The scholarship is awarded separately for each fall and spring season. You must apply each season for a scholarship. The application is reviewed by a committee established by the Board of Directors, whose decisions are final. Please go to our website [www.bethesdasoccer.org](http://www.bethesdasoccer.org) to download the application. Please note that applications for the Fall Season are due by July 23, 2011 and the Spring Season by March 1, 2012 (These dates subject to change in future years). There are no extensions of the deadline. Applications received after the deadlines may not be reviewed or considered for scholarship assistance.

**You are required to pay your deposit even though you may be applying for a scholarship.**

**Payment Schedule:**

An initial deposit of **\$250 is due by July 15<sup>th</sup>** to secure the player's roster spot. The remaining balance must be paid in full by February 1, 2012. Payments may range from being paid in full to being paid in 6 payments according to the following payment plan:

<b>Deposit</b>	<b>July 15</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>
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**Remaining payments** are spread equally. The amount of each payment is calculated as follows:

**Annual player fee less deposit divided by 6 payments.** Each payment is due on the following dates:

<b>#1</b>	<b>September 15</b>
<b>#2</b>	<b>October 15</b>
<b>#3</b>	<b>November 15</b>
<b>#4</b>	<b>December 15</b>
<b>#5</b>	<b>January 15</b>
<b>#6</b>	<b>February 15</b>

Payments may be made by credit card or by personal check. Personal checks should be made out to the Bethesda Soccer Club and mailed to the address below. Please note your player's name and team on check. A \$25.00 processing fee will be assessed for all returned checks.

Checks should be mailed to the following address:

**Bethesda Soccer Club  
5301 Buckeystown Pike  
Suite 106  
Frederick, MD 21704**

If you wish to have the Club charge your credit card automatically, please complete [BSC Credit Card Payment Form](#) and email to: [wsheasley@bethesdasoccer.org](mailto:wsheasley@bethesdasoccer.org).

It is the player's/family's responsibility to remain current with the payments and maintain the membership in good standing.

In the event that payments are not made within 30 days of the payment due date, the club will take the following actions:

31 days late: Notify Coach and Manager of balance due and that member is not in good standing. Player will receive a warning that if payment is not made within 30 days, the Director of Coaching will be notified and appropriate actions will be recommended to the Board of Directors (suspension from games, suspension from practices and games, suspension from club, etc.)

61 days late: Director of Coaching will discuss past due balances with Board of Directors and appropriate sanctions of player and family will take place until such time as player and family become a member in good standing.

### **Refund Policy:**

Accepting a position on a Bethesda Soccer Club team is a commitment to the club and to the other members of the team **to play for the full soccer year**. In accordance with MSYSA regulations, there may be circumstances that result in a player asking to be released from a team (see Mid-Season roster releases). This refund policy applies to players who voluntarily request a release from a team prior to the completion of the year (August 1 to July 31).

The Bethesda Soccer Club depends on the receipt of payments to pay for expenses during the seasonal year. As such, refunds are strongly disfavored and will be granted only in the rarest of circumstances.

Refunds for voluntary releases are provided on a case by case basis. To evaluate an application for refund, the following items will be taken into consideration.

1. Player being in good standing.
2. Evaluation of player by coach.
3. Comments from Director Coaching with regards to other options within the club.

Upon receipt of these items, the application will be reviewed and recommendation made with regards to a reasonable amount.

## **PARENT'S CHECKLIST**

Once you are notified your player has been accepted to join one of our BSC teams for the 2011/2012 year, you need to do the following asap:

1. Give team manager all personal information; Player's name, Date Of Birth, Address, Phone Numbers, Parents Name(s), Email Addresses
2. Order and Pay for Uniform-suggest that you go to PJ's Sports to try on uniform before ordering. PJ's Sports is located at 10422 Auto Park Drive Bethesda, MD 20817
3. Manager will contact you regarding signing player card and registration form for league play. You will also need two 1x1 color head shot pictures of your player.
4. Register on BSC website. [Player Registration Information](#)
5. Pay \$250 deposit by personal check, credit card online form, emailed invoice or completed credit card payment form by July 15

## **WELCOME AND STAY IN TOUCH**

**We look forward to great soccer year! Please feel free to contact us if we can be of help to you during the year.**

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