

Amendment 2
THE BY LAWS OF THE NORTHBRIDGE YOUTH SOCCER
ASSOCIATION

This Amendment, effective as of the 10 day of June 2008, by the Board of Directors of Northbridge Youth Soccer Association (named NYSA)

Amending items / articles:

- Amending Article I – Board of Directors
- Amending Article II – Duties of Officers
- Amending Article III – League Play
- Amending Article VI – Minimum Age
- Amending Article VII – Exception to Age Placement
- Amending Article VIII – Behavior of Coaches
- Addition of Article XI – League Sponsor
- Addition of Article XII – Criminal Record Information (Cori)
- Addition of Article XIII – League Uniform
- Addition of Article IV - Tournament Play – Financial support

Amending Article I *Board of Directors*

Amending Article I, Board of Directors, by adding Board positions of Town Rep and U12 and above Coordinator for a total of 7 Board of Directors.

Amending Article II Duties of Officers

Amending Article II, Duties of Officers, Adding the duties of Town Rep and U12 and above Coordinator and stating if the Town Rep resigns then the Vice President will resume all responsibilities and if the U12 and above Coordinator resigns then the League President will take on all responsibilities.

Town Rep – Responsibilities include the primary contact between MAYS, Mass Youth Soccer and Northbridge Youth Soccer. All coach inquiries need to be forwarded to the Town Rep for escalation if needed. The Town Rep will respond to all inquires and send a detailed follow-up to all impacted parties as soon as administratively possible. The Town Rep will also attend town or league meetings as needed which may included by not limited to Park and Recreation meetings, Board of Selectmen meetings, MAYS meeting and Mass Youth Soccer meetings. Other Board positions may also attend these meeting along with the Town Rep or in the Town Reps place if needed. Town Rep will also have voting league rights as needed.

U12 and above coordinator – Responsibilities include the primary contact for all U12 and above teams, primary contact for the player placement program, and coordinates the practice and flag matrix for both the fall and spring seasons. The U12 and above coordinator will also have voting league rights as needed.

Striking all contents in subparagraph named: Directors/Officers – Term of Office as stated in Amendment 1 and rename as follows:

The Board of Directors of NYSA will be elected annually by the members of the Corporation as stated at its annual meeting in June of each year. Each Officer will serve two year terms alternating positions each annual meeting. The President, Secretary, Town Rep, and U12 and above Coordinator will be up for election in one year then the Registrar, Treasurer, and Vice President the following year. This process will ensure the Association has ample time to transition Corporation knowledge, duties, and responsibilities.

Amending Article III League Play

Amending Article III, League Play, by striking the participation in the Central Massachusetts Youth Soccer League in the fall and replacing with participation for both fall and spring soccer seasons in the Midland Area Youth Soccer League (MAYS).

Amending Article VI - Minimum Age

Amending article VI, Minimum Age, by striking the minimum age of 5 years old and replacing with, Players can start the Might Mites Program at a pre-school age with Parent's permission during registration.

Amending Article VII - Exceptions to Age Placement

Amending article VII, Exception to Age Placement, by striking the heading and replacing with just "Player Placement". Strike all contents of this article and replace with:

At the end of each registration deadline, players shall be placed in the appropriate age groupings as defined by Mass Youth Soccer and the guidelines set forth by MAYSL. Players will be placed according to ability, coaches' recommendation as determined from their evaluation, and space on a roster. Any player who signs up late will be placed according to skill level and space needs. No player shall be placed on a team above their age grouping without the written request from their parent or coach and the approval of the Board.

Amending Article VIII – Behavior of Coaches

Amending article VIII, Behavior of Coaches, by striking the heading of this Article and replacing with just “Coaches”. Adding a sub article VIII.a with a heading of “Behavior” and keeping the current language as stated. Adding sub article VIII.b with the heading of “Licenses” and adding the following language:

Coach licenses (payment for all license levels will be reimbursed by the league) are either recommended or required for the following age groups:

- Mighty Mites: G License recommended but not required
- Pee-wee: G License recommended but not required
- U8 and U10: G License is required and F License is recommended
- U12 up to U14: G and F license are required and E License is recommended
- U16 and above: G, F, E Licenses are required

The NYSA Board has the discretion to make an exception as to coaching positions based on the need, timing, and situation as needed.

Addition of Article XI – League Sponsor

League Sponsors will be sent an invoice for Sponsor Payment (payments determined by the Board on a discretionary basis prior to the fall season invoices) by June 15th of each year. Sponsors will be given a 30 day turn-around time as fall uniforms will be ordered by August 1 of each year. Sponsors that have returned payment will be

given team sponsor priority for both the fall and spring seasons. All residual sponsors that do not have either a Pee-wee or U8 team to sponsor will be posted on the back of the Mighty Mite team shirts for both the fall and spring seasons.

Addition of Article XII – Criminal Record Information (Cori)

Northbridge Youth Soccer Association will follow the Cori/KidSafe rules of Massachusetts Youth Soccer Association for all leadership positions which include but not limited to coaches, assistant coaches, team bench parents, league directors, league board members, and any other position that has direct contact with Soccer members on a regular basis as determined by the Board. See the specific Cori rules on the Massachusetts Youth Soccer Association’s website or contact a Board member for a written version. All Cori checks will be reviewed by the Director of MAYS on an annual basis and will not expire until notified by a MAYS league official. Cori checks given by another entity will not be sufficient as a Cori check with Mass Youth Soccer is needed for participation. Northbridge Youth Soccer Board will mandate the Cori check before participation for any Soccer leadership position.

Addition of Article XIII – League Uniform

All players will be expected to wear entire uniform for games this includes the following: Northbridge shirt, shorts, and socks. Required equipment will include shin guards and soccer cleats (no toe cleat). Please note: no jewelry is allowed (i.e. earrings, necklace, rings), eye glasses should utilize a strap, goggles would be recommended but not required.

Article IV Tournament Play – Financial support

NYSA would like to encourage Northbridge soccer teams to participate in tournaments and will provide financial support to offset the tournament fees. NYSA will provide up to \$250 per team over the course of the annual soccer season (Fall/Spring). The team must consist of a majority of players registered with NYSA. A proportionate share of the financial support will be provided in the event that a roster includes players not registered with NYSA.

To receive this benefit, the coach must provide the Treasurer with a copy of a completed tournament application and a roster accepted by the tournament organizers. Funding for such tournaments may be altered or even eliminated at any time per the Board’s discretion based on the financial stability of the league.

Corporation’s Board of Directors as evidenced by the signatures below.

- All dated.....
- President (Interim).....
- Vice President.....
- Treasurer (Interim).....
- Registrar.....
- Secretary (Interim).....