Welcome to the Soccer Association of Boca Raton. You have joined the largest soccer club in Florida affiliated with the US Soccer Federation—the national governing body of soccer in the United States.

SABR’s fundamental outlook is to best serve our community with the mission of being a ‘total’ club. We accomplish this by offering a variety of programs, so players of all skill levels in Boca Raton have an opportunity to play the game at the level that best suits them. Further, we strive to develop every player to his or her maximum within each of our programs.

As a member of the SABR club, you will learn first-hand that player development extends beyond skills needed to play the game. Social development of our players is also an important part of our mission. Teamwork and cooperation, good sportsmanship and fair play, value of effort versus outcome of game, camaraderie, and most of all FUN are the keys to our club philosophy.

SABR trains and provides nearly 150 referees—mostly youth from our community—who are certified each year by the US Soccer Federation as qualified and knowledgeable in the Laws of the Game to manage the games for our players.

SABR also provides the opportunity for community service for more than 100 local high school students who volunteer their time as Buddies in our TOPSoccer Program or other efforts that help our club. Players looking for a more competitive game and schedule are encouraged to check out TeamBoca, our travel program. Finally, rounding out SABR’s offerings are adult leagues and scrimmages organized throughout the year to give back to parents, coaches and sponsors the joy of playing the game.

Again to all of you and our sponsors, thanks and welcome to SABR’s 2016-2017 season.
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2016-2017 SOCCER SEASON

Division Representative Meeting
August 24, 2016

First Season Games
November 4-6, 2016

Registration
August 28, 2016

Thanksgiving Break
November 21-27, 2016

Coaches Clinic
September 24-25, 2016

Holiday Break
Begin December 23, 2016,
ends January 8, 2017

Coaches Meeting
October 15, 2016

Playoffs Begin
January 30, 2017
(Select Age Groups)

Contact Players
October 15-16, 2016

Regular Season Ends
February 4, 2017

Practice Begins
October 17, 2016

Top Cup Finals
February 25, 2017

Orientation U5 & U6
October 29, 2016

Jamboree U9 and above
October 29, 2016
**PLAYER ELIGIBILITY**

Boys and girls born between January 1998 and December 2012 are eligible to play in the 39th annual season of SABR. The club serves players in the area south of C-15 canal, north of the Hillsborough canal and east of the Turnpike to A1A. The club serves players who reside in the above-mentioned service area—there are no exceptions. Proof of residency is required at registration. Anyone who lives in our service area but outside of the City of Boca Raton or the Greater Boca Raton Beach & Park District must pay a non-resident youth administration fee of $55 per player to the City of Boca Raton. Participants must pay this fee at our registration sessions or online.

**PLAYER REGISTRATIONS**

Registration is completed online at www.sabrsoccer.net. New players need to document date of birth by emailing a copy of an official birth certificate or passport to registrar@sabrsoccer.net. If you miss scheduled registration, complete the online waiting list at www.sabrsoccer.net.

**SKILLS EVALUATION**

Players in the Under 9 and older age divisions are assigned to teams based on skills ratings in order to have balanced play. Players who did not play last season and were born on or before January 2008 must attend a skills evaluation. Evaluations take place in August and September, and registered players are notified if they must attend. All registered players (regardless of skills level) are placed on a team.

**WAIT LIST**

Anyone missing registration dates should go to www.sabrsoccer.net to complete the registration form. If a spot becomes available, you will be contacted to attend a skill evaluation if the player is born before January 2008. Once accepted, wait listed players are required to play the standard $145 registration fee plus a $20 late fee. You will also need to provide proof of age in the form of an official birth certificate or passport. Placement on teams from the wait list is not guaranteed and will be filled only if openings occur.
LIMITED REFUNDS

SABR will honor all refund requests through September 15, 2016, less a $25 administrative fee. Registration fees help pay for uniforms, insurance, equipment and referee/coaches training. These expenses are paid in advance of our season and cannot be recouped. All refund requests must be in writing and emailed to the Director of Boys Mark McCartney at mmccartney@sabrsoccer.net or the Director of Girls Geoff Solomon at gsolomon@sabrsoccer.net by September 15, 2016.

INSURANCE

Via SABR’s affiliation with Florida Youth Soccer Association (FYSA), and upon the payment of dues and insurance premiums to FYSA, all youth players are covered by supplemental medical insurance. All coaches, managers and administrators are covered by supplemental liability insurance. These excess type policies currently have a $2,500,000 deductible notice. Note, all claims for insurance must be reported to the appropriate director of boys or girls soccer.

SABR is also affiliated with the Florida State Soccer Association, and our adult members are similarly registered to that organization, which provides a supplemental medical insurance benefit.

SPONSORS

The success of SABR and its ability to provide an affordable athletic program is dependent on its sponsors. Local businesses and parents can help by sponsoring a team this season. Sponsorships start at $375 for our Under 7 through Under 19 divisions, which covers team uniforms that feature the sponsor’s name on the jersey, as well as expenses for team equipment, coaches clinics and referee fees. Choice of uniform color may be requested but cannot be guaranteed. An introductory sponsorship for Under 5 & 6 divisions is $275. Due to the large number of sponsors in some of our age groups, SABR cannot guarantee color or team selection. Decisions are made on a first-come, first-served basis. Anyone interested in sponsoring a team is encouraged to contact SABR.
TEAM SELECTION

Rosters in the recreational program are randomly computer-generated from the database of eligible registered players. Eligible players are comprised of players who participated in the program last season and players new to the program this season. Prior year players were skill rated by the respective coaches at the end of previous season; new players are rated during the current year registration process.

In order to achieve parity among teams, the computer program divides the players into teams of equal total skills ratings including the effect of any pre-assigned players due to sponsors’ and coaches’ commitment. The maximum number of pre-assignments to the same team is two.

PRE-ASSIGNMENTS

In cases where a head coach and a sponsor request to be assigned to the same team, the player of the head coach and player of the sponsor will be pre-assigned to the same team. If the sponsor does not have a player in that age division, the assistant coach’s player will be pre-assigned.

The only exception is for siblings provided SABR is advised during registration and exclusive of children added to the teams from the wait list. Note, if the siblings pre-assigned to the same team are the children of a head coach, assistant coach, or sponsor, then no other pre-assigned children can be placed on the team—including those of the head coach, assistant coach, or sponsor.

In short, no more than two players will be assigned to the same team.

Priority Pre-Assignment List

1. Sponsor’s child
2. Coach’s child
3. Assistant Coach’s child

No trades or preferential player assignments will be permitted. To avoid problems of team imbalance, the assignment of more than two players to a given team is prohibited. Only sponsor, coaches or assistant coaches will be considered for changes provided balance controls are upheld. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS.
COACHES

SABR recruits and develops coaches and assistant coaches. All coaches, new or returning, must attend one or more coaches clinics currently scheduled for September 24 and 25, 2016. All clinics are free of charge and feature licensed members of the U.S. Soccer Federation national staff. Attendance is recorded for verification. Contact the appropriate age group division representative or Director of Boys or Girls Soccer for details.

One coach from each age group receives a ‘Coach of the Year’ plaque. SABR tracks the performance of every coach throughout the year and then chooses one who best represents the superior character of a SABR coach. These coaches are recommended by our Board of Directors, division representatives, coaches and parents. Award criteria include: integrity, honesty, teaching ability, team cooperation, personal involvement, encouragement, respect for others and fairness of play.

COACHES CLINICS & MEETING

SABR provides all coaches with the necessary training, materials and support to ensure proper development of players. The mandatory coaches clinics are designed to inform coaches about age-appropriate activities for youth players ranging from pre-school through adolescence. Every year the clinics focus on the changing growth, development and learning styles of players through their maturation. Coaches must attend a clinic every season. The clinics will be held September 24 and 25, 2016.

A mandatory coaches meeting will be held on October 15, 2016 to provide coaches with a general overview of season expectations and sportsmanship. Team rosters and uniforms are distributed. Every coach is required to attend in order to ensure their team is well informed and ready for the season. Check our web site, www.sabrsoccer.net, for times and dates.
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Referees

SABR encourages local community members to be a part of the game as a referee. Referees are paid on a per game basis and are required to participate in a referee licensing course if they do not already have a USSF certification. To be certified, referees must take a USSF course, which is offered in the summer and fall by SABR. Class dates can be located on the Florida State Referees (FSR) website at fsr-inc.com. Interested participants must register online to be eligible. Contact Director of Referees Ray Saba for more information.

Parents’ Commitment to Attendance

Each SABR family has made a commitment to all of the other parents and their children to attend practices and games when they registered their children to play.

Soccer is a team sport. SABR’s coaches are volunteers who give of themselves for all of the league’s children. They plan practices and games expecting their players to be ready to take the field on time. It is important for parents to play their part to meet these expectations.

The SABR league encourages the effort and not the result. It sends the wrong message to players when other family activities are scheduled and games and practices are missed. Please consider the disappointment of fellow players in the event your team might have to forfeit due to your player missing a game.

Rain Outs & Field Condition Hotline

Always assume that games will be played and practices will be held unless you are contacted by SABR. Apart from lightning, games and practices will only be cancelled when the weather or field conditions interfere with player safety. SABR families can always call the City of Boca Raton Fields Condition Hotline at 367-7068 for up-to-date reports. If you are not sure, go to the field. SABR does not play when lightning is present in the field area.

SABR will attempt to schedule make-up games, but not practices. Coaches do not schedule make-up games; they are advised by their division representative as to those schedules.
WHAT ‘WINNING’ MEANS TO SABR

SABR’s long-term goal is for players to be winners off the field. SABR soccer offer players a chance to participate in a great game that is just that—a game, and people of all ages play games for fun. Through the game, players also exercise and learn about individual effort, teamwork and sportsmanship, and, as they get older, they gain a better perspective about competition.

In the Under 5, Under 6, Under 7 and Under 8 divisions, SABR does not keep score, results or standings. Players receive participation trophies following their last regular season game. As players grow older and mature, SABR keeps season standings in the Under 9 and older divisions. Games ending in a tie will remain tied. Trophies are given to each member of the regular season conference champion team in each older age division.

TOM CHERUBIN CUP & CELEBRATION

The Tom Cherubin Cup is a post-season championship single elimination tournament for all boys and girls teams in the Under 9 and older divisions. It is named in honor of one of SABR’s most dedicated volunteers whose outlook always epitomized “what’s right for the kids.”

SABR use the regular season standings to establish tournament brackets. During the Tom Cup Tournament, ties are broken according to procedures listed in the tournament rules given to each coach prior to the start of the tournament. Trophies are awarded to each member of the winning and runner up teams in the Tom Cherubin Cup.

The last day of tournament play is a celebration of the whole SABR soccer season. SABR welcomes all players and families to hold team picnics, come to the games, and play in the soccer midway bounce house, climbing wall and other attractions.

SABR fully believes that it is the fun our players, regardless of age, get from their participation and effort that far outweighs the outcome of any particular game.
Game & Practice Schedules

Games are played mostly on Saturdays but some divisions will play Friday night and/or Sunday afternoon games due to field availability or other considerations. It is possible for some divisions to have two games in one weekend although this does not happen frequently for any given team or division. Occasionally, games will be played on selected weeknights, mainly in the case of makeup games and during the Tom Cherubin Cup Tournament playoffs at the end of the season for our Under 9 and older age divisions. Each division will play approximately 12 regular season games and one to three play-off games. SABR tries to work around most holiday schedules sanctioned by the public school system.

Practice day and time for a given team is determined by the coach and division representative. Field time slots are assigned by the SABR Director of Fields. Once assigned, a team’s practice day and time cannot be changed.

SABR cannot and will not make changes to accommodate a player who is assigned to a team having practices inconvenient to player or family. Unfortunately, in an organization of more than 3,000 players, any attempt to accommodate individual schedules is administratively impossible.

Illegal Practices

Team practice is permitted only as assigned by SABR. Any practice, team meeting or event in which some or all of the players from the same team congregate with the aim of improvement of the team, outside of the practice slot, will be considered an illegal practice by SABR. The penalty imposed on a team for an illegal practice will be up to the discretion of SABR and may entail forfeiture of games and/or disqualification from further play. In short, SABR takes a very dim view of illegal practices and will deal with offenders harshly.
**Referees**

If a referee is not available at the start of the game, the game may be played with the mutual consent of both opposing coaches by utilizing a parent or coach to act as a referee, or the game may be rescheduled for play at a later date. Once an agreement is reached, this decision is final.

**Player Participation**

SABR encourages maximum player participation for every player. Every player in our recreational program—and who is physically able to play—is to play as much as possible during the game. Players should not be considered either full time players or substitutes regardless of which players start the game. Roster sizes are made so no one should ever play less than one-half of the game when all of the players attend.

In U5 through U8 age divisions, games are designed so that all players can play all of the time. In U9 and older games where substitutes are available, the expectation is that coaches play all of their field players a minimum of half the game and that each and every field player—even the most skilled players on the team—be subbed for and come out for a reasonable amount of time as defined by SABR at our mandatory annual pre-season coaches meeting.

**Equipment**

Each player must provide shin guards and soccer or athletic shoes with molded rubber or plastic cleats. Elastic-strapped eyeglasses and glasses designed for athletic activities are recommended. Players are encouraged to own a soccer ball to bring to practice. Shin guards must be worn under socks during all practices and games. Insurance does not cover players who are injured if they are not wearing proper equipment.

**JEWELRY & CASTS**

New or existing pierced earrings or other potentially dangerous apparel may not be worn during games or practice. SABR rules forbid players from playing in games or practice with a hard or soft cast. The referee has final authority to determine player eligibility to play in games.
The following chart represents discipline and suspensions for violating the rules of SABR. Anyone involved with these violations will be assessed and punished accordingly. A rules committee reviews each offense and administers judgment.

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<th>Offense</th>
<th>Non-Player</th>
<th>Player</th>
<th>Discipline &amp; Suspensions</th>
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<tr>
<td>Assault</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>1 to 5 years</td>
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<td>Assault on referee</td>
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<td>2 to 10 years</td>
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<td>Assault on referee</td>
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<td>X</td>
<td>1 year</td>
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<td>Criticism</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>1 game</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dissent</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>1 game</td>
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<td>Enter field without permission</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>1 year</td>
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<tr>
<td>Enter ineligible player</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>Fighting</td>
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<td>X</td>
<td>5 games</td>
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<tr>
<td>Foul and abusive language</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>2 games</td>
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<td>F/A language to coaches/league officials</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>4 games</td>
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<td>Joining fight in progress</td>
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<td>X</td>
<td>8 games</td>
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<td>Profanity or insult</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>2 games</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pushing nonviolent</td>
<td>X</td>
<td></td>
<td>2 games</td>
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<td>Red card nonviolent</td>
<td>X</td>
<td></td>
<td>1 game</td>
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<tr>
<td>Removing team from field</td>
<td></td>
<td>X</td>
<td>1 game</td>
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<td>Second caution</td>
<td>X</td>
<td></td>
<td>1 game</td>
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<td>Serious foul play</td>
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<tr>
<td>Spitting</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>4 games</td>
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<tr>
<td>Striking nonviolent</td>
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<td>1 game</td>
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<td>Striking violent</td>
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<td></td>
<td>5 games</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stopping imminent goal</td>
<td>X</td>
<td></td>
<td>1 game</td>
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<td>Swearing</td>
<td></td>
<td>X</td>
<td>2 games</td>
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AGE CHART FOR 2016-2017 SEASON

SABR follows U.S. Soccer’s Birth Year Registration Mandate which will begins Fall 2016. Per the U.S. Soccer mandate, all U.S. Youth Soccer members will be required to transition age grouping of teams from a school-year based (Aug.1-July 31) to a birth year based (Jan.1-Dec. 31). Therefore, all children born in a calendar year will play together in an age group with the exception being 8th grade middle school players and 9th grade high school players born in 2002 are separated per the following chart. Please see Age Chart below.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Age Division</th>
<th>Player’s Year of Birth</th>
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<td>U5</td>
<td>2012</td>
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<td>U7</td>
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<td>2007</td>
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<td>U11</td>
<td>2006</td>
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<td>U12</td>
<td>2005</td>
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<tr>
<td>U15</td>
<td>2004, 2003 &amp; 2002 8th graders</td>
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**Offense** | **Non-Player** | **Player** | **Discipline & Suspensions** |
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<td>Threatening gesture</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>4 games</td>
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<td>Threatening gesture to coach or league official</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>5 games</td>
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<td>Threatening gesture to referee</td>
<td>X</td>
<td></td>
<td>1 year</td>
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<td>Threatening gesture to a referee</td>
<td>X</td>
<td></td>
<td>8 games</td>
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<tr>
<td>Verbal abuse</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>1 game</td>
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<td>Verbal threats</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>Verbal threats</td>
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<td>Violent conduct</td>
<td>X</td>
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### Game Day Set-Up

This schedule represents game day parameters for each age category.

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<tr>
<th>Age Group</th>
<th>Ball Size</th>
<th>Players</th>
<th>Goalie</th>
<th>Play Time</th>
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<tr>
<td>Under 5</td>
<td>#3</td>
<td>4-5</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>Under 6</td>
<td>#3</td>
<td>4-5</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>No</td>
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<td>Under 7</td>
<td>#3</td>
<td>4-5</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>20 minute half</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>Under 8</td>
<td>#3</td>
<td>4-5</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>20 minute half</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Under 9</td>
<td>#4</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>25 minute half</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>Under 10</td>
<td>#4</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>25 minute half</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>Under 11</td>
<td>#4</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>30 minute half</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Under 12</td>
<td>#4</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>30 minute half</td>
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<tr>
<td>Under 15</td>
<td>#5</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>35 minute half</td>
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<td>Under 19</td>
<td>#5</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>40 minute half</td>
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Rules of Conduct

The coach of each team shall be responsible for the conduct and demeanor of assistant coaches, team volunteers and fans. The following items highlight some of the rules regarding non-player conduct: No person shall be allowed to argue with, confront or abuse a referee. Under no circumstances are parents or fans allowed to enter the field at any time during the game unless permitted by the referee or coach; this can result in a minimum suspension of one game. SABR administrators also serve as field marshals when present at games. Please respect their directives.

Coaches’ & Spectators’ Area

Coaches and assistant coaches shall be restricted to an area ten (10) yards to one side of the center line (the opposing coaches are restricted to the other ten yard area from the center line) on only one side of the field. Parents and fans must occupy the opposite side of the field from the players and coaches. The ten yard areas are not rotated irrespective of the teams changing sides of the field for the second half. No one may be behind the goals. Coaches must be on the same side of the field as the players at all times.

All players and coaches on one side of the field and parents and fans on the other side shall remain at least three (3) feet behind the touch (side) lines.

Discipline

Anyone failing to abide by these rules of conduct is subject to expulsion from the playing area by the referee, division representative, SABR administrator or program director. Failure to leave the area when requested to do so shall result in a forfeiture by the team with which the offending party is associated. Further rules and sanctions for players and non-players are listed in the league discipline chart in the SABR handbook.

In case of injury, the referee shall decide if it is severe enough to stop the game. If play is stopped for any injury, the referee may allow a coach to attend to the injured player parents and fans may not enter the field at any time during the game unless permitted by the referee or coach.
Team Boca Travel Program

The SABR Travel Program is governed by policies and procedures directed to a competitive level of play while still emphasizing player development. SABR’s Travel Program competes on regional and state levels. Our program is staffed by professional trainers and coaches. For information, contact Travel Director Bill D’Addio, 561-523-0000.

TOPSoccer

TOPSoccer is an outreach program of SABR and the US Youth Soccer Association. It is a community-based training and team participation program for young athletes with disabilities. TOPSoccer is a modified version of the game of soccer designed to provides opportunities for our special needs athletes to enjoy the game. Modifications to the game allow full participation and enjoyment for each young athlete. To address the special needs of these athletes, each player is assigned a volunteer ‘Soccer Buddy’ to assist with practices and games. In addition to earning community service hours, the smile in the eyes and the sense of another’s accomplishment is often reward enough. SABR’s goal is to provide a recreational, leisurely approach to the game of soccer for this special group. Contact TOPSoccer Director Vic Nocera at 561-734-0088, Division Rep. Steve Lesser at 954-559-1597 or Division Rep. Rim MacLaren at 395-1000, ext. 113 for more information.

SABR Adult Soccer

SABR’s Adult Recreational Program consists of parents, coaches, referees, sponsors and Boca Raton residents living in the SABR service area. As a recreational program, SABR encourages playing for fun and camaraderie. The Laws of the Game apply, but slide tackling is prohibited. The minimum age restrictions are 35 years of age for men and 18 years of age for women. The league holds registration in January, and play starts in February. The Men’s and Women’s Divisions each play a 12-game schedule that concludes in May. SABR also offers year-round coed and women’s weekly scrimmages for adult members. For more information, contact Adult League Director Claire Lutkewitte at clutkewitte@sabrsoccer.net.
PARENTS’ STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

Every parent who permits his/her child to play in the Soccer Association of Boca Raton must abide by this statement of understanding.

Statement of Parental/Guardian Understanding

• The SABR Program is for the sole benefit of the youth in our community.
• I will, to the best of my ability, arrange to have my child attend all team practices and games.
• I agree to the pre-assignment guidelines for players on each team.
• I understand that my child’s team assignment will not be changed due to conflicts.
• I will not argue with, confront, or abuse any referee.
• I will observe my child’s games from the designated area assigned by league officials.
• I understand that my child will not be able to play in games or practice without wearing shin guards and shoes that are appropriate for soccer.
• No new or existing pierced earrings or other potentially dangerous apparel may be worn during a game or practice.
• I understand that in order for my child to participate that my child must live within the SABR Service Area, which is south of the C-15 canal, north of the Hillsborough canal and east of the turnpike to A1A. Anyone who lives in our Service Area, but outside of the City of Boca Raton of the Greater Boca Raton Beach & Park District must pay an annual participation administrative charge of $55 per player to the City of Boca Raton.
Every coach who registers for the SABR Soccer program must sign the Coaches’ Statement of Understanding. By signing the document, the coach is agreeing to the bylaws of SABR and the Florida Youth Soccer Association.

Statement of Coaches Understanding

- The SABR Program is for the sole benefit of community youth.
- I agree to abide by the philosophies, objectives and rules of the SABR program.
- I will use my best efforts to maximize player participation for every player. When substitutes are available, all players must take turns being a substitute during the game.
- I will not condone or turn my back on any illegal practices.
- I will not argue with, confront or abuse any referee.
- I agree to coach games from the designated area assigned by league officials.
- I understand that no player on my team will be permitted to participate at practice or play in games unless he/she is wearing shin guards and shoes that are appropriate for soccer. During all games, team players must also wear SABR uniforms.
- No new or existing pierced earrings or other potentially dangerous apparel may be worn during a game or a practice.
- I agree to report results of all games to my division representative. In game reports to team families, all of the team members will be mentioned during the course of the season.
- I understand that the use of tobacco is prohibited at games and practices.
- It is my responsibility to demonstrate good sportsmanship and fun for the children and parents.
- I agree to attend the training session(s) and meeting(s) held by SABR to assist me in coaching the players.
- I agree to attend the coaches administrative meeting to receive my roster, team uniforms, schedules and other information for the management of my team.
**Volunteers Always Welcome**

Want to get involved? Want to meet others who care about our community’s youth? SABR always needs volunteers — no matter what age, you can help! SABR has more than 450 volunteer parents and grandparents whose valuable time, energy and knowledge help make SABR one of the best soccer programs in the U.S. Most parents start out as assistant coaches. Two hours a week for 12 weeks is all it takes. SABR can use your help off the field, too. An organization our size has many tasks that can always ‘use another pair of hands’. Send us an email through our web site at www.sbrsoccer.net to find out more.

**Community Service for SABR High Schoolers**

SABR encourages our high school aged players to give back to the community. Teenagers from SABR are the core of our TOPSoccer Buddy Crew, as well as in other league programs. All high school age players who are registered in the recreational, travel and TOPSoccer programs are eligible to serve as volunteer coaches or assistant coaches for our younger teams. We provide these players with coaches training and mentoring. All of these activities are eligible for accredited community service hours with our local high schools. This is a great way to each community hours while learning leadership skills and youth development. Send us an email through our web site at www.sbrsoccer.net to find out more.

**Uniform Pals**

Uniform Pals is our outreach program for donations of players’ old soccer uniforms to be reused and enjoyed by other athletes. Uniform Pals volunteers collect jerseys, shorts, socks, cleats and shin guards at the end of the season to pass on to players throughout the world who need them.