



Role of the Coach

Team coaches will stand on the same side of the pitch. Parents should stand 2 meters back on the opposite side behind a marked area, for example, cones, pitch tapes etc.

Dependant on the venue, parents should be encouraged to stand a distance away from the pitch and should only encourage players and help to promote fair play.

Team coaches will ensure player rotation, providing equal game time, and encourage players to experience different parts of the pitch.

At the end of every game, team coaches should encourage both teams to shake hands with each other and the officials.

If a game becomes one-sided coaches should work together to support the development of the game, this could include allowing an extra player to take the field for the team struggling, or ensure players move back to enable the player to get up the park with the ball.

The practice of the Mixed-Up Games, where players from different clubs mix teams, is to be encouraged. It is great fun and diminishes the creep towards an overly competitive atmosphere and ethos.

The Role of the Coach, Leader & Organiser

- Make it fun
- Make it safe
- Use the ball
- Positive manner
- Involve all
- Be patient

- Be a good role model
- Ensure equal playing time

How Do You Define Success?

In children's football success is measured by...

- Fun & Enjoyment
- Effort / Work Ethic
- Learning and improvement
- Bouncing back from mistakes
- Long term development
- Development of Life Skills
- Do they come back