



WOODSTOCK SOCCER CLUB

895 Ridgewood Drive Woodstock Ontario N4T 0A6

Telephone (519)-421-0030 Fax (519)-421-9013

Email: wscadministrator@woodstocksoccer.com

House League Coach: Role and Responsibilities

Woodstock FC House League coaches are all volunteers! No formal soccer or coaching experience is necessary although, a Coach should be enthusiastic, with effective communication skills and a willingness to learn!

The coach will provide a positive learning environment helping children to develop their soccer skills while having fun and remembering that player development, not winning is the main goal. Coaches will receive support in the form of basic coaching materials and handbooks which will assist in their development to ensure the soccer season is fun and enjoyable! One to one help can be arranged if required.

How to Become a Coach

Any interested person must complete a Volunteer Coach Application Form to begin the process to become a House League Coach.

-Coaches must be 15 years of age or older.

-Any coach under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a guardian at all times (the guardian's information must be listed on the application form).

A current Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC) is required for coaches who are 18 years of age or older. Once you have provided the original copy of your Vulnerable Sector Check to WFC, you will be reimbursed for the full cost. The VSC is valid for two years.

Coaches automatically have their child placed on their team. If the coach has an assistant coach with a child, the assistant coach's child will also be placed on their team.

Please note the soccer season is typically 12 weeks in length.

Before the Season begins

1. Complete the Volunteer Coach Application
2. After confirmation of coaching from WFC, complete any additional requirements, including obtaining a Vulnerable Sector Check (if applicable)
3. Pick up roster, schedules, uniforms and equipment for your team when advised by the Club
4. Send a communication to your team introducing yourself and arrange a meeting or time to distribute uniforms.

Season begins

1. Communicate with your team regarding your schedule and any other events taking place throughout the season

2. Arrive on time and attend all games scheduled by Woodstock FC for the season
- *Helpful tip: Ask all the parents on your team if anyone wants to be an assistant coach if you do not have one already.*
3. Complete game sheets as required
4. Ensure your players are having FUN - have a positive and enthusiastic attitude, provide positive feedback, and ensure players are getting equal playing time
5. Pass along information to your team that is sent to you by WFC throughout the season.
6. Report any concerns to the Convenor

After Season

1. Thank your team for a great season!
2. Return any equipment issued to the team as instructed.
3. Sign up to coach again!

In each age group, a volunteer coach's role may vary, however the most important aspect in all age groups is to have fun!