**Official MSA Travel Team Guidelines:**

**Definitions:**

Season: (Spring or Fall)

Recreation Season: Assessment date to End of the season tournament

Participate: Minimum of 25% attendance/activity

**Coaches Approval:**

* A prospective coach shall send a request to the travel coordinator with his proposed roster and age group plans.
* A prospective coach and assistant shall fill out and send a Background investigation form to the travel coordinator.
* A prospective coach and assistant shall fill out and send a Coaches code of Ethics to the travel coordinator.
* A prospective coach shall read and accept to the Coaches Responsibilities set forth by the MSA board.
* The travel coordinator shall send any travel coach request to the board with recommendation.
* The board shall then approve/disapprove his recommendation by a majority vote.

**Coaches Responsibilities:**

* Each Season: Fill out and completed and signed “MSA Travel Registration Form 20XX” or similar document, registration forms for each player/parents on the Team or any new player added,
* Each Season: Fill out and complete “MSA Travel List Form 20XX” or similar document, to notify me of additions and deletions to your team. Additions require Reg. form.
* Each Season: MSA Fees (See below)
* Each Season: MSA Fundraising (See Below)
* Each Season: Participate in a MSA/joint instructional camp.

(no financial obligations will be required)

* Coaches are encouraged to Attend or Complete Coaches improvement clinic online or in person.

**MSA Fees:**

* Travel teams shall have 3 option;
* Option 1: COMPLETE $300/team/season - includes:
  + Certificate of Insurance for MSA Registered Player,
  + Use of MSA Fields PHS, MES, CES, JMMS (when available),
  + Use of MSA practice equipment at MSA fields,
  + Priority off-Recreation and Sunday practice times,
  + Use of MSA Cobras Name, colors and likeness,
  + Use of MSA Web portal and online store,
  + \* Must follow all MSA Travel Guidelines.
* Option 2: NAME and INSURANCE $150/team/season - includes:
  + Certificate of Insurance for MSA Registered Player,
  + Use of MSA Cobras Name, colors and likeness,
  + Use of MSA Web portal and online store
  + \* Must follow all MSA Travel Guidelines
* Option 3: FIELDS $250/team/season - includes:
  + Must be a MSA Team
  + Must show Certificate of Insurance,
  + Use of MSA Fields PHS, MES, CES, JMMS (when available),
  + Use of MSA practice equipment at MSA fields,
  + Priority off-Recreation and Sunday practice times.
* Fundraising Opt-Out Fee:
  + A Travel team may elect to not participate in fundraising activities provided they pay an Opt-Out fee of $150/team/season. This is an additional fee as related to an Option above. It relieves the travel team from participating in MSA Fundraising activities for that season. (for a 12 player roster this is $12.50

**MSA Fundraising:**

* All MSA Travel teams shall agree to participate in all MSA fundraising efforts,
* MSA proposes to do some type of event to fundraise each season (Spring & Fall),
* For any MSA Cobra team generates more than $600 in fundraising revenue for MSA, MSA shall discount the next season MSA Fee by 50%.
* MSA Cobra teams will be eligible for all benefits and rewards that are incorporated into fundraising incentive program and other special MSA Cobras benefits as outlined therein.

**MSA Players**

* MSA Cobra Teams shall be responsible for filling each own roster.
* MSA Cobra Coaches shall petition the MSA Travel coordinator and players agent before recruiting players within MSA recreational program.
* MSA Travel coordinator shall forward on interested individuals to the respective age level coaches.

**Practices**

* MSA Fee Option 1 and 2 teams (as described herein) shall have Priority to field time during Off-Recreation Season and Sunday practice times,
* MSA shall make every effort to satisfy travel request for field time during Recreation Season.

**Tournaments**

* MSA Travel coordinator shall forward on optional Travel tournament events and or clinics for the benefit of the Travel Coaches for informational purposes only. Travel coaches will have the option to participate in these events as they desire.

**Costs**

* MSA Cobra Teams shall be responsible for their own travel-related expenses (gas, meals, gate fees, etc).
* MSA Cobra Teams shall cover expenses such as uniforms and tournament entry fees
* Sponsorship is welcome to help in covering program costs; all sponsors must be approved through the MSA Sponsorship Committee.

**Breach:**

* A failure to abide by any of the terms in this section shall result in the event identified to the board for evaluation of severity and official action at discretion of the Board.