



## U13 & U14 WSA TRAVEL PLAYER HANDOUT

### Program Emphasis:

- Personal Development
- Respect & Discipline
- Compete
- Skill Development (Main: Passing Quality)
- Decision Making – Independent Thinkers
- Group Tactics
- Fun – Enjoyment

### Player Responsibilities:

#### VERY IMPORTANT

- ✓ Always bring an inflated soccer ball – no ball, no skills
- ✓ Appropriate soccer dress code practices and games  
PRACTICE: White travel practice T-shirt, dark short and dark or white soccer socks  
GAME: Both home and away uniforms  
**All shirts must be tucked in to shorts!**
- ✓ Bring soccer shoes and shin guards – **SAFETY**  
- We will not let a child participate if we feel it is unsafe
- ✓ Bring water
- ✓ Be on time
- ✓ Organize your bags and equipment off the field
- ✓ Good Attitude – work hard
- ✓ Pick up your garbage

### Systems of Play (11 vs. 11)

- 11 vs. 11: GK-4-3-3 or GK-4-4-2

### Parents:

- Please drop off and pick up children **on the field, on time**
- Parents are welcome to observe all sessions
- Stay off training area during sessions
- For Cancellation call the WSA field hotline 203-221-9900
- Coaches are free for questions before and after sessions  
- **Not during sessions!**



## WSA TRAVEL SOCCER ORDER OF COMMUNICATION

***To better document, track and address all matters of concern regarding MKS coaches and programs, we are asking that all coaches, parents, administrators, board members and volunteers please follow the below order of communication.***

1. All matters of concern should first be discussed with individual coaches.  
*(If a parent is not comfortable directly communicating with the coach, they should contact the WSA Age Group Coaching Director)*
2. If the coach and parent are unable to come to a resolution, the coach will document the call and direct the caller to the **WSA Age Group Coaching Director**:  
U9 & U10: Allan Zuniga @ 203-434-7044 or azngsoccer@sbcglobal.net  
U11 – U14: Gabriel Stan @ 203-942-6544 or Gjrapid@aol.com

**Note:** *All calls that reach the coaching director level will be shared and documented with a WSA designated board liaison.*

3. If the coaching director and parent are unable to come to a resolution, the coaching director will document the call and direct the caller to **Paul Melitsanopoulos, the MKS Travel Soccer Director** @ 203-246-7811 or luap8619@aol.com

**Note:** *At this point, issues that cannot be resolved at the MKS Travel Soccer Director level will be directed to a WSA designated board liaison for resolution.*

All matters of concern received by board members, administrators and volunteers should immediately be directed in accordance to the above order of communication. It is imperative that comments, promises and decisions regarding MKS coaches and/or its programs not be made on behalf of MKS by non MKS members.

Please understand that it is our intention to streamline the communication process, remove the potential for minor issues to develop into major issues and better develop and support our coaching staff. In the end we will have better documentation and information regarding our coaching staff and overall program effectiveness.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Mickey Kydes  
MKS PROGRAM DIRECTOR

### **NOTE:**

***COACHES AND DIRECTORS ARE ALL INSTRUCTED TO POLITELY END ANY CONVERSATION WHERE A PARENT DISCUSSES OR MENTIONS ANY CHILD OTHER THAN THEIR OWN.***