





# US YOUTH SOCCER ODP PROGRAM ALASKA YOUTH SOCCER ALASKA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (ADP)

## **Team Event Guidelines and Expectations**

Players participating in the Alaska Development Program & US Youth Soccer Olympic Development Program are exercising a privilege afforded them by US Youth Soccer in pursuit of Regional and National recognition as youth players. The participating players must exhibit the maturity to be successful in this pursuit. Players are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a manner, which is in keeping with representing US Youth Soccer, and will not bring discredit upon the Alaska State Association.

When traveling with the ADP Program, each player is expected to dress appropriately as befits representing US Youth Soccer or as directed by the ADP Administrator. Respect for property of others, adherence to rules and guidelines as specified by the ADP Program and observance of State and Federal laws are required for participation in this program.

### **Team Travel Event**

Parent traveling to ADP Program Events to watch their child, the following guidelines must be followed:

- Parents may not over-ride the program rules and policy of Alaska Youth Soccer Association.
- While traveling the coach/ manager will be responsible for the player's traveling under their supervision.
- Players may not leave the tournament, training, or camp during the event. Parents may not take their child for a meal or shopping this includes during the team downtime. Players are expected to remain with their travel team during the travel event.
- Team meals, parents may join their player for breakfast or lunch (only with the team), evening meals are for only team members and will involve a team meeting.
- Parents may not interfere or interact with the player during scheduled team activities or games or training.
- If a parent stops by player hotel room, the door must remain open and you are not to enter. Per Safe Sport Guidelines.
- Please do not bring your child extra snakes or items unless you have one for every team member.
- Parents may not ride in the team vans; per AYSA insurance coverage and Safe Sport Guidelines.
- Parents may not decide to pull their child early from the travel event. All players will remain with the team until the day and time the entire team leaves.
- Parents traveling with the team may bring their own child to and from the airport but must fill out and submit paperwork to the team manager. Only players with parents at the event have the option of separate transportation. Players are expected to travel to and from games, training and other team activities with the team, no exceptions!

### **ADP General Guidelines**

- Parents should read and sign Alaska Development Program (ADP) online waivers prior to participation.
- Parents should be familiar with the rules and guidelines their player will be expected to follow.
- ADP staff, coaches, managers must have copies of all player travel itineraries.
- In the event the parent becomes aware of violations of rules, they will notify the AYSA Staff and onsite team manager and coach immediately.
- At all times parents should respect the coach and the ADP rules set forth for the team.

# **ADP Player at Travel Event**

- Players at the ADP Program Event; will have time to call home when not involved with team activity.
- Parents should not call the team manager /coach during the program event except for an emergency. The manager oversees 15 to 18 players, every time they must take a call from a parent, it keeps them from doing their job of chaperoning. Homesickness sometimes is a part of the travel experience. We have found that the best way to handle homesickness is to keep players involved with the team and activities.

