

Mount Pearl Soccer Association
Frequently Asked Questions

Where is the office? What are the hours?

The MPSA office is located in the Clubhouse, which is in the Team Gushue Sports Complex, off Smallwood Drive.

The office hours are Monday thru Friday from 9:00am-4:30pm

How much is registration?

The registration fee for 2010 is \$135 per player, however there is an Early Bird Rate of \$110 per player From February 15th to May 2nd. There is a family rate for 3 or more of \$335 (\$275 during the Early Bird Registration)

How do I register?

You can register

- In person at the office
- By mailing the completed registration form with a cheque or money order

MPSA accepts cash, cheque, debit or Visa. Any NSF cheques will result in an additional \$20 charge.

For the 2010 summer soccer season, registrations can be done during regular office hours, or during our Registration Weekend (April 30th-May 2nd)

I would like to register my child for the soccer program but cannot afford the cost. What can I do?

Please contact the Administrator. There are several funding options available for you

When does the season start and who is my child's coach?

The House League season for all ages begins late-June, subject to availability of the soccer fields. Sometime in mid-June you will receive a call from your child's volunteer coach.

Can I request my child play on a team with _____ ?

For the 2010 outdoor summer soccer season, MPSA will not be accepting special requests

How do I contact my child's coach?

Your child's coach should provide this to you once the teams are selected; however, the MPSA office maintains contact lists for the House League and All Star coaches. If you don't have their contact information, please contact the MPSA office at 364-9793

I'd like to volunteer. How can I help?

MPSA is always looking for volunteers, and appreciate the help. Please contact the office by phone or email to provide your contact information and how you would like to help.

How long is the season?

The House League season runs from late June to early September. The precise length of the season depends on a number of factors, such as division, involvement in playoffs and weather. MPSA also has an indoor house league program that runs mid-January to mid-April.

When are the games, and where are they played?

Fields and schedules are not finalized until all players are registered. It is not normally known until mid-June how many teams will be created. However, game schedules will be posted to the website once finalized

House League games are always played Monday thru Thursday evenings at either 5:30 or 6:30. In the event that a game has to be made up due to cancellations, MPSA will try to reschedule the game at a regular time at the end of the regular season. Games are not normally scheduled on statutory holidays or weekends. Divisional schedules are posted to the MPSA website (www.mpsa.ca) once finalized in mid-June.

Is soccer going ahead tonight?

The decision to cancel House League games due to weather will be made by the MPSA Administrator and Technical Director at 3:00pm on game day.

Once a decision has been made to cancel soccer due to weather, a notification will be posted to our website (www.mpsa.ca).

The decision to cancel or not to cancel games may be left to game time. Cancellation at that time will be decided through consultation between the referee and coaches.

What type of equipment does my child need?

Your house league registration fee includes a dry-fit jersey that is yours to keep; however, all players are responsible to have shorts, shin guards, soccer socks, and cleats.

Your child should always take plenty of water to all their games/practices, and wear sunscreen.

Will my child be the only new player?

At the minor level, there are many new players. Each year there could be 15-20 new players (or more) in each age group. We try to divide these players evenly throughout the teams.

How often will practices be held?

House League practices are held at the discretion of the coach and subject to the availability of practice fields. All Star teams practice more frequently, again at the discretion of the coach and field availability.

What type of experience will the coach have?

All of our coaches are volunteers and have varying levels of experience. The coach will have an understanding of the game and the ability to teach and lead others. Coaches are expected to abide by the Fair Play Guidelines. All coaches are encouraged to take part in training to upgrade their coaching skills. All coaches have the opportunity to achieve certification at the highest level possible.

All coaches are required to provide MPSA with a Criminal Records Screening Certificate from the RNC.