



RUTLAND YOUTH SOCCER

COACH SELECTION POLICY

The Registrar shall assign coaches for all teams. In the event there are more qualified coach's than teams at a given level, the Registrar will bring the situation to the Board and the Board shall appoint team coaches.

Consideration will be given to returning head coaches from the previous season to retain that position if returning and coaching the same gender and age group as the prior season. If there are not enough teams to allow returning head coaches to retain their position, the coach the board deems to be the most qualified, will be the head coach and the other candidate(s) will be assistant coaches. To determine a coach's qualifications, the Board will consider:

- Overall coaching experience
- Coaching certifications/licenses
- Overall contribution to the league

If there are no returning coaches at the age level, we look at RYS coaches from the prior season moving up into the age group. Generally, when a coach moves up from one level to the next, they will retain their position as a head coach in the new age group. If multiple coaches move up, the process for multiple coaches returning in an age group will be used to determine the head coach.

If we have no returning coaches and no coaches moving up, we look to those who have volunteered to coach. For coaching volunteers, we look at:

- Prior RYS coaching experience (i.e. coached at younger age groups but haven't coached in the past season or two)
- Coaching experience in other leagues (i.e. Mountain Club, other town leagues, club teams)
- Overall coaching experience
- Coaching certifications/licenses
- Overall contribution to the league
- Whether or not a coach has a child playing in the age group (parents of players will generally be given preference assuming their experience and knowledge is reasonably like that of other interested individuals)

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