



Player/Parent Agreement



A commitment to Lazers is a commitment to abide by the policies as stated below. This commitment is for one soccer season only. The *soccer season* begins in August and continues through the following April or May, depending on the age group and/or success of the team through state, regional, and national competition in June, July and August.

A key ingredient in the success of our Lazers program is clear, concise and consistent communication between the association, its teams, coaches, players and parents. This agreement is one way of both explaining and gaining agreement with our expectations of you, as a member of PTCYSA and Lazers.

Members of Lazers agree to put their team ahead of the individual player. However, our coaching and players development philosophy is centered on each athlete and is in line with the "whole athlete" approach. As the coaching staff decides to move a player (or players) up to an older age group higher-bracketed team in order to maximize the player's opportunity and/or experience based on the player's ability, desire and needs, the rest of the team and parents must try to view this in a positive, supportive manner. We encourage each player to become the best player possible by trying out for state ODP, regional and national teams as their ability and desire may allow.

Should any conflict arise between the team and a parent or player, the team coach, under the direction of and with input from the designated academy or select age group director, will be responsible to make decisions for the overall welfare of the team and players. Decisions will only be made after gathering all relevant information and upon consulting with all parties involved.

Our coaches will always seek to make the best decision(s) possible for the player(s) and team. Parents and coaches agree to work as a team. Ultimate decisions as to playing time, positions, formation, discipline, suspensions and terminations from team will be made by staff, and based on the coach's and club's expectations and objectives.

Financial Obligations

Parents or legal guardians of every player are responsible for all monies associated with their child's play in the Lazers program.

If at any time prior to the end of the season a player withdraws from the Lazers program all remaining cost are to be paid in full.

Fee Structure

The fees below include a total of four tournaments for the year for ages 10-14, two for the U9, and three for the U15-U19. This will create an easier pay scale for parents, who want to know exactly how much it costs throughout the course of the year.

The PTCYSA Lazers fees also include, field usage fee, all Lazers Development Program classes, and a mini-camp at the beginning of each season. New players will also receive two training shirts as well.

There are also fees that may be added, but are completely optional to all returning players, and *all but uniforms are optional to new players*. The following is a list of optional costs: Uniforms, Winter League (Futsal or Indoor), PTCYSA Winter and Summer Camps, Out-of-area Coaches Travel, and any additional Lazers Merchandise.

	By 7/1/08	By 9/1/08	By 11/1/08	By 2/1/09	By 4/1/09	Total
U9	\$ 250	\$ 150	\$ 150	\$ 150	\$ 150	\$ 850
U10	\$ 250	\$ 175	\$ 175	\$ 175	\$ 175	\$ 950
U11 & U12	\$ 300	\$ 225	\$ 225	\$ 225	\$ 225	\$ 1,200
U13 & U14	\$ 300	\$ 275	\$ 275	\$ 275	\$ 275	\$ 1,400
U15 & up	\$ 350	\$ 250	\$ 250	n/a	n/a	\$ 850

Payment options are as follows:

1. Payment in full at the beginning of the fall and spring season can be made with cash, check, or credit card.
2. For installments (every two months by the above schedule) this must be made by credit card or bank draft.

Returned checks, credit card payments, bank draft fees, or other costs of collection, which will include a \$20 processing fee, will be the responsibility of the parent.

Lazers players agree to:

General

- Conduct themselves and represent the club in a respectable manner.
- Be honest and reliable at all times.
- Maintain a healthy lifestyle and team-oriented attitude.
- Avoid the use of drugs, tobacco, alcohol or any prohibitive substances (violation may result in suspension or dismissal from the club).
- Portray an example of sportsmanship and fair play.
- View their training and development as **their** primary objective.

Training

- Arrive at least 15 minutes prior to training times as established by coach and club.
- Wear only designated training (including unique, numbered jersey) and game attire.
- Always wear shin guards.
- Always bring a properly inflated and appropriate-sized ball to all training and games.
- Attend all training sessions and games unless excused by coach (including when injured).
- Notify coach in advance via phone and email of any expected tardiness or absence from any training session, practice or game.
- Accept discipline from coach as to playing time, suspensions or termination from team.
- Direct their full attention to coaches or trainers when they are speaking.
- Avoid the use of profanity at all times.
- Strive to improve at each training session and always give 100% effort.

Games

- Arrive fully dressed and ready to warm up at least 45 minutes prior to established game time.
- Have both uniforms in training bag at all games.
- Maintain and have designated training bag at all training sessions and games.
- Not question a referee's decision by word or gesture.
- Always be respectful of opposing players, coaches, fans and referees.
- Shake hands with opposing team and coaches after each game.
- Be supportive and positive towards their teammates.
- Commit to giving 100% effort during games.

- Personally speak with coach in regards to any game situation concerns (i.e., playing time, positions, etc.).
- Never put themselves above the team and always do what is in the best interest of the team.

Lazers parents agree to:

- Have player at each training, practice or games as designated in “player” section above.
- Hold any parental discussion with the coach until 24 hours after a session or game and away from the field/away from the presence of players and other parents (*cool down period*).
- Not coach (*at all*) from sidelines during games or training.
- Only provide positive verbal support to players, coaches and referees (*when in doubt, silence is best*).
- Never challenge referees call(s) either verbally or by way of gesture.
- Defer to and support coach in handling any dispute, referee action, disciplinary action or violation of this agreement or team rules.
- Volunteer their time to support the team and club (fund-raising, field maintenance, team administration, committees,).
- Always be respectful of opposing team, coaches, players and parents.
- Pay all fees as per fee structure listed above.
- Accept financial responsibility for fees established by club for entire soccer season (August to May) regardless of relocation, injuries, etc. (see *fee schedule*).
- Pay player’s share of scheduled team events or tournaments even if unable to attend or injured. (fees for “optional” tournaments will be divided among participants only).
- Respect that a roster slot is tied up on accepting player, and honor the fiduciary responsibility to club and team required to support the club’s overhead and coaching/training salaries (even when injured, unable to attend, desire to change clubs, etc.).

I have hereby read, understand and agree to my responsibilities stated herein. I further acknowledge that failure to comply with the above expectations may result in my suspension or termination from my team and Lazers.

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Print Parent Name	Parent Signature	Date

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Print Parent Name	Parent Signature	Date

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Player Signature	Date	Team/Age Group Assignment

Please sign and return Player/Parent agreement portion to Signing Day or the team manager after completion.