

## RE-SCHEDULING GAMES

*The basic rule of re-scheduling is that if there is any way to avoid it, DON'T RESCHEDULE!*

Try not to change the date and time of a game whenever possible. Remember it not only affects you and your team, but at least 25 other people as well! Count them... the opposing team, their parents, their coaches, the referees, your League and Association Commissioners, etc.! Contact your Commissioner ASAP (before he sets your schedule) about tournament dates that you want him to work around your schedule. Do not attempt to re-schedule a game simply because one or more of your 'star' players will be absent. All of your players are stars-play them like they are! Know the minimum number of players you can start and finish a game with. If you have that many available, play the game! And remember, if you have to reschedule, YOU have to be FLEXIBLE on the dates and times for the make-up game. After all you wanted to make the change, not the other team! While we should all try to work with each other for the good of the game, only the Commissioner can require a coach to re-schedule a game, and a coach may ask his/her opponent to forfeit instead. Any disputes will be handled by the Commissioner.

### PROPER PROCEDURE FOR RE-SCHEDULING:

1. Contact the opposing coach at least ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE, Inform him/her of your need to and your reason to re-schedule.
2. Together, set two possible dates/times when you BOTH can make-up the game. (You don't need a specific time, for instance: Aug.3, early afternoon)
3. Contact your League Commissioner, not your Association Commissioner\*. Inform him of the agreement to re-schedule and the dates/ times you agreed upon. \*U6 and U8 teams, or anyone who plays all their games at home, will contact their Association Commissioner.
4. The Commissioner will contact the Referee and Field Assignors, and insure that both the field and appropriate Referees are available on one of those dates/times. The Commissioner, based on the recommendation of the Assignors, will set the date for the make-up game.
5. The Commissioner will contact both coaches and confirm the date/time of the makeup game.
6. Each coach shall contact their Association Commissioner and inform them of the change.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The money of the Association is limited, and is for the good of all our players. Likewise, your opponent's time is limited, and they expect you to be present if you have a scheduled game. If your team does not show up for a game, you will be fined an amount equal to the cost of the Referees assigned to that game. You will forfeit the game, and your team will be suspended until the fine is paid. If you fail to follow the procedure above for re-scheduling, your team may be fined and/or you and/or your team may be suspended. Worse than any fine or sanction is the fact that you will have deprived our youth of an opportunity to play the game.