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Welcome to 2021 Roma House League -IMPORTANT UPDATES

Message:

Hello and Thank You for registering for 2021 House League at St. Catharines Club Roma Soccer! We look forward to finally welcoming all our soccer families back to the Club. In preparation for House League beginning next week, please note the following:

This upcoming soccer season will be a little different than past seasons. We are asking for patience as we attempt to get back to normal on the pitch. Schedules for all other leagues including travel, PSL and NRSP have not yet been released. We do not anticipate any major changes to the current house league schedule, however, as league schedules are updated, there may be minor changes made in an effort to accommodate all games.

Please be aware of the following:

Meet the TEAM: is CANCELLED due to Covid-19 restrictions.

U4, U8 and U8 Players may attend Club Roma (main field area) from 12pm to 3pm on Sunday, July 4th to pick up uniform items.

Due to a delay with our supplier, uniforms for U10/12 will not be ready on July 4. Players will be supplied with a pinnie for games to be used until uniforms arrive.

COVID-19 Protocols are in place at this time.

Please refer to our Return to Play guide under the "Return to Play" tab on our website: www.romasoccer.com

Overview of Covid-19 protocols:

- 25% capacity limit for all facilities. This means 1 PARENT/GUARDIAN ONLY per player may attend our facility. *Please, please, please* do not bring additional family members to games and practices as we attempt to follow all protocols set by Ontario Soccer and other governing bodies. Spectators (1 parent/guardian per

player) must keep a 2m distance from other members. We hope to open our facility fully to spectators in Stage 3.

- Players / Members / Spectators attending our facilities must successfully complete the Covid-19 self assessment. DO NOT ATTEND our fields if you are feeling unwell. A copy of the self assessment screening tool is attached and the link is below.

COVID-19 Screening Tool (niagararegion.ca)

FORMS REQUIRED PRIOR TO PLAY: In accordance with Ontario Soccer's Return to Play, ALL members (players, Team Officials, parents/guardians) MUST submit the following documents online:

DECLARATION of COMPLIANCE (ALL members):

https://forms.gle/rDQLNgqafYJyxFaLA

ONTARIO SOCCER INFORMED CONSENT (UNDER AGE OF MAJORITY - ex. Players):

https://forms.gle/aNzL5ddR3JbGCjw79

ONTARIO SOCCER RELEASE OF LIABILITY (OVER AGE OF MAJORITY ex. Parent/Guardian/Coaches):

https://forms.gle/ArZpiCPBb8oYf5Y78

FIELDS: A map of our fields at Roma is attached. Please familiarize yourself with our field names so you know where to attend for games. Access to soccer fields is ONLY through the pedestrian soccer laneway at Club Roma. Please do not access the fields through La Terrazza as this area is designated for restaurant patrons only.

PRACTICES: Practices for house league will take place every Saturday at Club Roma beginning July 10th:

U6: 9am to 9:55am

U8: 10am to 10:55am

U10/12: 11am to 12pm

Please come to practice with your own ball. Practices are not mandatory. 1 Parent/Guardian per player may attend practices.

MANDATORY EQUIPMENT: Players must have shin pads in order to practice and play. U4 players can choose to wear running shoes or soccer cleats but MUST have shin pads.

JEWELRY: NO JEWELRY allowed for any soccer activities. NO exceptions to this rule.

PHOTOGRAPHS ON SOCIAL MEDIA: In order to protect our players, you must have parent/guardian consent of any players that you photograph at Roma and/or post online to any social media sites.

PARKING LOTS: Please watch for young players, parents and spectators walking to the fields or their vehicle. Drive with Care. There may be construction happening at Club Roma throughout the summer.

FIELD CANCELLATIONS/WEATHER: It will get hot! Bring plenty of water with you to the fields. Games and Practices may be cancelled if the Region of Niagara has issued a heat alert. All game cancellations we hope to post no later than 5pm, game day. The City of St. Catharines may close city fields due to weather. In the event this happens, we will update our website and our Facebook page. In severe weather, when considering resumption of any athletics activity, players must wait at least thirty (30) minutes after the last flash of lightning or sound of thunder before returning to the field.

GAME SCHEDULE / TEAM #: Members have access to game schedules via PowerUP. 8 games have been scheduled at this time. We will be ending the house league season prior to school returning in September. Additional games will be added to the schedule and may be held on a Saturday or Sunday in order to complete the season prior to September when many of our players become unavailable to attend. Please note due to travel games for field closure, we may need to move games to an alternate field. Please arrive early for games to ensure you are with you team ready to go for game time. You also have access to your Team # through your PowerUP account. Please make sure you review this information prior to attending your game.

SNACKS: Players may bring their own snacks only at this time.

REFERES: There is a shortage of trained referees at this time in all of Ontario. While we schedule referees in advance, sometimes, for various reasons there is a last minute cancellation or they do not show when scheduled. Parents and Coaches may be asked to step in as referee.

ZERO TOLERANCE FOR ABUSE: Our club will not tolerate any abuse, either verbal or physical towards referees, players or coaches. Please be respectful and kind towards each other.

COACHES: Thank you to those Coaches who have already volunteered this season. We are still looking for additional coaches. If you can assist, please contact romasoccerrefs@gmail.com immediately. Parents/guardians on teams without a coach will need to step in on a rotation basis for coaching purposes.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please reach out directly to Jessica, our House League Coordinator at romasoccerrefs@gmail.com.