



## Instructions for Player Evaluation Form

To: All Divisions U19, U16, U14, U12, U10, U8 and U6 Coaches & Division Representatives

Please complete the Player Evaluation Form and place it in a sealed envelope marked "Player Evaluations" with your division, team number and name and give it to your Division Representative (the file folder in the Signal Box) no later than **October 25, 2008**. The Division Representative will keep track of who has completed the forms for their teams and forward the unopened envelopes for compilation. **Player evaluations are held in strict confidence.**

Start by listing all of your players by name (last, first) in alphabetical order. (Hint: use pencil!) Then for each player start by rating each of the basic skills on a scale of .5 (low) to 10 (high). Please rate players as field players; goalkeeping is rated as a special skill (see below). We'll come back to the overall rating later. Normally each coach should have 1 or 2 highly skilled players and 1 or 2 players with only beginning skills. Most of the players should be in the middle zone. The categories should be self-explanatory but if you need help, please contact the coaching staff person for your division.

Then rate all of your players for each of the special skills and for personal qualities. Using this information as a basis, indicate an overall rating for each player on a scale of 0.5 (Very low) to 10 (Perfect). Please do not write anything in the reserved column. Then take a look at your ratings and compare the results to just placing your players in rank order (considering skills and team contribution). Verify that the ratings are reasonable and make any adjustments necessary.

Please resist the temptation to give high scores to make the kids feel good. The players are *never* given their ratings. Too high ratings or too low ratings do not factor in to All Star selection or any other advantage or disadvantage for the player so there is no reason to be generous or stingy. These evaluations will impact how balanced your teams are in your division next year! Therefore it is important that you be impartial, objective and accurate. So please take the time to give this the consideration it deserves.

All player ratings will be reviewed at the player evaluation meeting held near the end of the season. At this meeting all coaches from a division will review the ratings of all players in their division to make sure the ratings are consistent from coach to coach. Please be sure to be there. If you cannot attend, please notify your Division Representative and make arrangements for your assistant coach or other designee to attend in your place. Only one person can represent the team, either the coach or the coach's designee – but we do absolutely need to have someone there. No one else will be allowed to attend the meeting. No one will be allowed to record or retain any information at this meeting except the very few board members charged with team balancing.

Remember, good objective player ratings are required to have balanced teams and balanced teams are more fun for everyone.

If you have questions, please contact your Division Representative, coaching staff, or Board Members.

Player evaluation meetings will be:

**U14, U12, and U10 GIRLS DIVISIONS – To be announced**

**U14, U12, and U10 BOYS DIVISIONS – To be announced**

**NON-COMPETITIVE DIVISIONS – To be announced**