



# MONTGOMERY TRAVELERS SOCCER CLUB

## Welcome to the 2025-26 MTSC Travel Program!

- For the players:
  - Welcome (or welcome back!)
  - The Club and your parents want you to get the most out of your team experience
  - Your “Big 3”: respect (1) coach and team (2) opponents and referees (3) your development
  - Now, have a fun kickabout!
- Uniforms
  - Can order starting now. Instructions are at [How Tos](#)
  - DON'T WAIT! Lead times are 4-5 weeks in Aug/Sep
  - New uniform every 2 years (even years). So this year only NEW players must order.
- Upcoming schedule (first day of school is Thurs 9/4)
  - Tue/Wed/Thu 9/2- 9/4: Kickoff practices at Mill Pond. Each team practices all 3 evenings. Times TBA.
  - Sat 9/6 and Sun 9/7: Piscataway Tournament. 2 matches Sat and 2 matches Sun. Times announced only a few days prior, so please keep this weekend open!
  - Mon 9/8: Ball Skills / Speed and Agility sessions begin (at Lubas). Highly encouraged.
  - Tues 9/9 and Thurs 9/11: First regular practices: 1 at Lubas and 1 at Iron Peak. Times TBA.
  - Sun 9/14: First regular season match (Sat 9/13 for Leopards and Tigers)
  - 10 regular season matches; practices continue until last game
  - Winter: Optional (extra fee/ separate registration) indoor practices / tournament
  - March-June: Spring season. Included in your fee
  - June: Optional (extra fee / separate registration) Hershey tournament
- TeamSnap
  - This is your primary communications tool; please keep notifications ON
  - Please be considerate; don't broadcast 1:1 chats; check event listing before asking
- The “Big 3” for parents
  - (1) Keep TeamSnap updated for all matches and practices; no last minute changes
  - (2) On time for matches and practices - mandatory unless a pressing reason... teammates rely on you!
  - (3) Don't coach from the sideline, or shout at refs.
- On match day
  - TeamSnap will say which color to wear. Always bring the other one too!
  - Warm up starts 30 minutes before match time. Allow travel / traffic / parking time for away games!
  - Parents on one side, players and coaches the other
  - Game Day Coordinator brings the match card and player passes
  - Ref checks every player's pass and uniform, every time. No jewelry, fitbits, or watches.
- New policies to keep in mind:
  - Club: Player match minutes may be reduced if “Big 3” are not being followed.
  - USYS: Referee abuse policy



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## REFeree ABUSE PREVENTION

POLICY 531-9 PENALTY OVERVIEW / YOUTH & AMATEUR

• Offenses against minors are automatically subject to a **"minor multiplier"** resulting in **triple punishment**

### NON-PHYSICAL OFFENSES of gross misconduct, abuse, and / or assault

NON-PHYSICAL*	MIN. GAMES
Insulting, Belittling, Insinuating or Taunting Behavior Undermining Referee Authority	2
Harassment, Intimidation, Retaliation, Abusive, or Threatening (Non Physical) Language	4

- Team volunteers
  - Assistant Coach: 1-2 per team.
    - Coach pass required (requires 5 hours online + 3 hours live training)
    - Assists head coach on sideline of games (no help needed at practices)
  - Team Manager: checks rosters, TeamSnap and everything else, attends club meetings
  - Scheduler: Sets match times with opponents + club scheduler, loads TeamSnap. Busy start of season.
  - Game Day Coord: Prints/brings match card and passes, pays refs, brings equip't, puts out/takes in flags
  - Score Reporter: Updates TeamSnap Live, reports scores to league
  - Vevo Producer: gets Vevo from shed or prior game, sets up, runs, puts away, posts videos
  - Club volunteer: 1-2 per team. Info person, club scheduler, uniform coord, registrar, webmaster, social media, sponsorships, finance, league rep, board positions, operations
- Helpful info links on website: click on "Club"
  - [How Tos](#)
  - [MNJYSA website](#) Flight listings, rules handbook, match facts

## GAME FACTS BY DIVISION SPRING 2025

Config.	Div.	Min.	CR	AR (ea.)	Ball
11v11	U19	90	\$110	\$55	5
	U18				
	U17				
	U16	80	\$100	\$50	
	U15				
	U14	70	\$90	\$45	
	U13				
9v9	U12	60	\$80	\$40	4
	U11				
7v7	U10	50	\$60	\$30	
	U09				
	U08				