



## Instructions for Player Evaluation Form

**To: All Divisions 14U, 12U, 10U, 8U, 7U and 6U 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 **no later than April 29th**. The Division Representative will keep track of who has completed the forms for their teams. 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 0.5 (Very low) to 10 (Perfect). 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. Overall rating should be based on how you rated your players, compared to the other players in your age division. 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 in advance of the meeting 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. Coaches or their representative who attend the meeting will earn 1 point for their team in the standings.

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.