

EQUIPMENT

All players must have safe equipment

1. Shirts are provided by the league. All other player equipment is provided by the parents. The coach will tell you what color shorts and socks are needed.
2. Shin guards are required for all practices and games.
3. Cleats must be approved for soccer. Baseball and football cleats are NOT permitted.
4. Each player needs to bring an appropriate size ball to practice.

WASA uses three ball sizes.

Size 3 U6, U7, U8

Size 4 U10, U12

Size 5 Middle School, High School

5. Hair restraints should be soft fabric or elastic. Hair restraints containing metal or hard plastic are not permitted.
6. ***Jewelry is not permitted***... no rings, bracelets, watches, necklaces, earrings, or any type of piercing.

FIFA Rules do not permit soccer players to wear earrings. Contact with the ear could cause the back of the earring to puncture the skin behind the ear. A shirt or finger might catch the earring and pull it out. Covering earrings with tape or band-aids is NOT PERMITTED as an alternative.

The choice to remove earrings (or not) belongs to the player.

If a player chooses not to remove the earrings, the player cannot participate in play.

Do not be surprised or upset when referees refuse to let a player participate with earrings. Even if a parent gives permission for the player to play with “starter” earrings, the referees will not allow it. The rules prohibit earrings; it is not the parent’s or the referee’s decision to make.

Players should plan ear piercing so that they will not be wearing earring plugs during the season. This might mean delaying the piercing until the season is over.

Referees have a responsibility to keep a player out of a game if the player is wearing jewelry or does not have proper equipment. There is no appeal for this. The authority of the referee is final.