



Waterloo Minor Soccer Club
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Position: OPDL Assistant Coach

Position Status: Part Time/Contract (Multiple Positions)

Location: Waterloo, Ontario

Reports to: Technical Director

Background

WMSC operates as a non-profit youth soccer club in the Regional Municipality of Waterloo. The club strives to offer its members the highest possible quality of programming. To support this goal, you will work to meet or exceed playing experience expectations while working collaboratively with parents to support and guide players toward realising their full potential.

Overview

Waterloo United (WMSC) are currently seeking applications for OPDL Assistant Coach for our OPDL program for the 2021/2022 season. The OPDL is the standards-based, high performance youth soccer league of Ontario Soccer in which you will be assisting the delivery of two to three (2 - 3) training sessions and one (1) game per week. You will also work in conjunction with the Head Coach to achieve a high level of player retention while implementing a proactive and attractive brand of soccer in alignment with the Club's Technical Vision. Lastly, *you will also be expected to assist the Head Coach in providing frequent feedback to players to support their growth in practices and games, through Individual Development Plans (IDP's).*

Duties and Responsibilities

- Assist training for an OPDL team that includes two - three (2-3) training sessions per week (Starting in December 2021), intra/interclub friendlies (as arranged) and one (1) game per week (May – October)
- Utilize coaching resources and software to help plan and manage training sessions and game-play
- Work with the Head Coach to deliver training session aligned to the OPDL curriculum
- Assist with match preparation meetings and analysis with the team;
- Attend OPDL meetings and CPD events as required;
- Help manage aspects such as the implementation of Mental Training, Player Monitoring and Video Feedback, as requested by the Head Coach;

Competencies and Skills Required

- Minimum CSA C Licence or equivalent (or in training), with desire and support to become Youth License certified;
- 3+ years' experience as a coach within a club
- An understanding of the development phases of youth players and optimal training and performance practices
- Understanding of the Ontario Player Development League practices and standards
- Knowledge of and support for the Canadian Soccer Association's Long-Term Player Development model
- Ability to act, implement and follow the WMSC's core values
- An ability to think and plan strategically



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- Strong communication skills and an ability to convey messages to parents, players and club staff

Applicants must submit the following:

- Resume;
- Proof of highest qualification earned
- One reference (Soccer related)

REMUNERATION

As a National Club License holder, Waterloo United is committed to hiring and retaining appropriately qualified and experienced staff. Our remuneration is according to a scale that reflects the quality of the skills and experience that a coach can bring to a group of players.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: October 4, 2021

We wish to thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Please forward your cover letter and *WMSC Coaching Application Form*, clearly indicating how you meet the qualifications listed above, to Technical Director, Matthew Shepherd: matthew@waterloounited.com. Successful applicants will be contacted for an interview.