



Myerstown Soccer Club
Scoring and Sportsmanship Policy
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As it is well believed that “Running up the Score” on an opponent will sometimes happen when two teams are unevenly matched, it is believed that this practice is also not beneficial for the winning team as well as very discouraging for the losing team. In an effort to stem this practice Myerstown Soccer Club (MSC) has the following policy.

If a MSC team is up by 5 goals, use the following tactics below to minimize the running up of the score:

- Change players’ positions to those that they don’t usually play (goalie or defense) to round out their soccer experience/knowledge. Example: Exchange defensive players and keeper for the offensive players.
- Require players to make extra passes before scoring (focusing on making assists and good passes instead of scoring).
- Make 5 or more passes before a shot can be taken.
- Require that all players touch the ball before a shot can be taken
- Only shoot using their weaker foot
- Substituting players do not follow directions above and continue to score.
- Remove players from the field and play short

We understand making some of these changes might take some time to implement during game play. It is important that coaches make their best effort to make changes to play to ensure the score of a game goes not get out of hand.

MSC Board of Directors