



BIG COUNTRY SOCCER ASSOCIATION POLICY

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Big Country Soccer Association is committed to providing members with the support necessary to foster a positive and safe youth soccer environment for their communities. In fulfilling this commitment, Big Country Soccer Association does have in place a system of:

- Policies,
- Governance,
- Guidelines
- Soccer Administration Forms and Templates, and
- Tools to support members with developing and improving their youth soccer programs in their communities.

Vision

Our vision is to promote youth soccer as the ultimate sports activity and provide the required infrastructure, sports knowledge, services, and opportunities for our members, volunteers, players, and coaches to enjoy, have fun, and thrive in the sport.

Big Country Soccer Association aspires to be an outstanding educational-athletic organization that provides an environment for its members to develop and improve a high-quality experience for their athletes. A high-quality experience is one in which every athlete that is registered under Big Country Soccer Association:

- a) Is supported by coaches who have knowledge, training, and experience to deliver coaching using the principles of Positive Coaching,
- b) Has fun playing the game with their member association in an environment that is safe and inclusive,
- c) Feels like an important part of the team regardless of performance,
- d) Learns “life lessons” that have value beyond the playing field; and
- e) Learns the skills, tactics and strategies of the game and improves as a player.

Mission

Big Country Soccer Association is committed to providing representation of its members to associated soccer governing bodies in Alberta, and Canada. Our sporting philosophy is based on the following objectives:

1. Being a leader and facilitator of the Long-Term Player Development (LTPD) program in the region.
2. Provide members with a structure and support for developing and improving their community youth soccer programs that meet the latest requirements of the soccer governing bodies; provincially and nationally.
3. To ensure all participants in all programs have fun and equal opportunity to actively participate in the sport.
4. To develop, provide, and support good coaching and officiating in Big Country Soccer Association and its members.
5. To create and maintain a spirit of friendly competition without fear of bullying, and discrimination throughout Big Country Soccer Association.



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Goal

Our goal is to foster a positive player development experience throughout Big Country Soccer Association that can lead to options in the sport of soccer while also providing a supportive environment that also fosters the development of the individual that can contribute to a positive approach to their future endeavors.

Core Values

- Integrity-** We conduct ourselves with uncompromised honesty, honor, ethics, and integrity in all situations, events, and relationships – and we especially model this value for the members of our Association.
- Development-** We foster an environment where the focus is on the development of players, coaches, referees, and parents to maximize the potential, skill, and lifetime love of the game for ALL members of our Association.
- Sustainability-** We lead and conduct our operations and activities to enable long-term stability, viability, and growth for the Association and its members.
- Community-** We engage community stakeholders, suppliers and local businesses within the Association and its members to create an inclusive, active, healthy, and safe community.