

Goal Safety Policy

Orange Community Soccer
Safety, Inspection and Acknowledgment
For all Coaches, Team Reps and Managers

It is the intention of *Orange Community Soccer, LLC* (and its affiliates) that **goal safety** be a priority. Therefore, the following policy is adopted.

Orange Community Soccer, LLC. (Orange) requires the following prior to all practices and games:

- 1) A Coach(es) (or other responsible person) will make a physical inspection of each goal prior to the game/practice to assure that goals are securely anchored per the attached guidelines.
- 2) That all coaches, managers, parents and guardians who participate at Orange are told of the dangers of unsecured goals and the responsibility to keep kids away from goals, and to inspect and secure goals if necessary.

The Following is required of all Rentals, Leagues, Usage:

1. Coaches will remind their players, and discuss with the children's parents or guardians, the necessity of not playing on, climbing on, or moving the goals.
2. It is deemed appropriate that players violating this rule may, at the coaches' discretion, sit out a half a game or entire game
3. Parents and guardians will be given written notification (attached) that they are responsible to keep their children away from all soccer goals when the children are participating in Orange / or their respective club's sponsored practices and games. This includes siblings and friends of soccer players.

Guidelines for Checking Goals

1. Each goal should ***not*** be resting on any divider nets which hang from above. **NOTE:** This could cause the goals to tip forward.
2. Make sure that each goal is securely staked or has sandbags.

Team Manager, Rep, Coach

Date

ATTENTION

ALL ORANGE TRAVEL SOCCER COMMUNITY **Goal Safety Policy**

Dear Coaches, Team Reps, Managers, Players and Parents and Guardians:

One of the primary objectives of Orange Community Soccer is to insure that your children have a safe environment to play in. A large part of doing so is to make sure our goals remain securely anchored to the ground and nets are firmly attached to the goals. In an effort to keep the goals and nets such, we require you to prohibit your children from using our goals when not participating in Club sponsored soccer activities, practices, or games. This especially applies to children climbing on or hanging from nets or goal frames. These activities can result in serious injury, and unfortunately death according the Consumer Product Safety Commission and Ohio Youth Soccer Association North.

We ask if you observe any children conducting these activities, that you politely ask the child or children to stop. If the activity continues please notify any Orange Community Soccer employee, coach, or referee as soon as possible. Orange Community Soccer is required to strictly enforce this policy and exceptions will not be permitted. Finally, if you see soccer goals or nets that are not secure please notify a coach or an Orange Community Soccer employee. Soccer is a fun and enjoyable activity for our children, families, and the entire community. We want to make sure this enjoyment is never marred by a preventable accident.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter:

The Entire Orange Community Soccer Staff