

RED WING SOCCER CLUB POLICY MANUAL		Policy No.	205
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### 1.0 Purpose

This document outlines the policies that will be used to determine content on the internet related to the Red Wing Soccer Club and its' members. It also describes how the specific areas of the website application will be used.

### 2.0 Revision History

7/11/10	0.0	This policy replaces the Club Website Policy dated 01/23/00. This revision numbers the policy, revises the format to be consistent with other RWSC Policies and revise the content.

### 3.0 Discussion

The Red Wing Soccer Club website is used as a communication tool to promote the activities and growth of the club. The website is also a mechanism to assist the club to schedule games and gain access to soccer development information for players and coaches available on the Internet.

Red Wing Soccer Club has entered into an agreement, along with other Red Wing sports associations, to use the Sport Ngin platform for hosting its website at [www.redwingathleticassociation.org](http://www.redwingathleticassociation.org). It is recognized that this website is a promotional tool and that advertisements may be displayed on our team pages.

This policy is intended to protect RWSC Players and Adults.

### 4.0 Persons Affected

All members of the Red Wing Soccer Club, including Soccer Club Board, Coaches, Managers, Players and Parents.

## 5.0 Policy

The following guidelines shall be followed regarding the RWSC Website or the posting of any information considered Club information on the internet.

### 5.1 PLAYER IDENTIFICATION

Player personal/biographical information, e-mails and phone numbers will not be publically available on the internet.

To prevent player identifying information from being made available to the public, the following guidelines must be followed:

1. Player names can only be used on "Private" web pages. Examples where names could be used are on private roster or private photo pages. Access to "Private" pages is limited to those persons given permissions by the page owner. For example, a Team Roster or Photo page owner would be the team manager and/or coach(es).
2. In all public areas of the internet, any references to a player can only be made by some non-identifying term for the player. Examples are player jersey number, their MYSA ID number or Player initials. Individual contact information will NOT be displayed such as player name, email, phone number, parent names or address.
3. Team pictures may be displayed in public areas of the internet with the Team name as the only identifying information provided. For example, if a picture of a girls U16 or boys U14 team is on the page, the picture will be labeled with "Girls U16" or "Boys U14" team.

### 5.2 ADULT IDENTIFICATION

Adults may be identified by name and phone number and position in the club. E-mail capability will be provided, however email addresses will be obscured from public view by use of the Contact capability of the website. Adults as referenced here may include club board members, coaches, assistant coaches, referees, team managers, etc. If a Youth is one of the above, only the name will be included.

### 5.3 USE OF SPECIFIC TYPES OF INFORMATION

- **ASSOCIATION CALENDARS**

Events such as registration and clinics will be made available on public areas of the internet.

- **TEAM GAME AND PRACTICE SCHEDULES AND LOCATIONS**

Team schedules may be made publically available on Team pages.

- **STATISTICS**

Team win-loss results for games and tournaments may be made publically available on Team pages. Teams may choose to maintain and display player individual statistics however Player references in publically available areas must follow the guideline described in Section 5.1.

- **TEAMS AND COACHES:**

Team names, coachs and manager names and phone numbers may be made publically available on Team pages. Telephone numbers may be displayed. E-mail contact capability will be provided, however email addresses will be obscured from public view by use of the Contact capability of the website.

- **FIELD LOCATIONS:**

Location of all schedulable fields and directions to these fields may be available on the internet. The website may include graphical map to locate the field and/or a link to a map site such as Google maps or Mapquest that opens to the specific location of the field.

- **LINKS AND SPONSORS**

- The Red Wing Soccer Club has agreed to provide a link to the soccer website to the local newspaper for use on their internet community pages area. [www.republican-eagle.com](http://www.republican-eagle.com).
- Links to websites of sponsoring organizations may be displayed at the approval of the RWSC President.
- Links to other web sites will be added at the approval of the President.

## 6.0 Definitions

**ADULT:** Those persons in their roles as coach, assistant coach, board member, team manager or volunteer who works with, for or around PLAYERS. This would include anyone older than the age group they are interacting with; for example, a 15-year old assistant coach of a U-11 team would be considered an **ADULT** for the purposes of this policy.

**PLAYER** defines all persons who are members of or play on a soccer team. This definition does include those players who participate at the U-19 level, even though they may be of legal age.

## 7.0 Responsibility

- 7.1 Board of Directors – Establish an internet policy for the protection of Players and Adults. Ensure compliance with this policy and remove content found to not meet this policy and remove editing privlages from those that do not meet the policy.
- 7.2 Persons with Editing Privlages –Shall read and follow this policy. If you become aware of posting that do not meet this policy, then notify the RWSC Board President.