

## Cutters Soccer Club Tournament Security Plan

The Cutters Soccer Club and the Tournament Management and Oversight Committee are dedicated to ensuring the safety and security of all players, coaches, referees and spectators as participants in the Cutters Soccer Club Soccer Tournament. This plan has been developed to mitigate potential issues and identify responsibilities and procedures where appropriate.

### **Tournament Preparation**

The Tournament Director should have the event prepared for parking, crowd control, fields marked and prepared, spectator and team sections identified and marked. Transportation for injured players, attendees with special needs and attendees with physical disabilities is to be available and coordinated between the Tournament Committee, Plant, Parking, and Operations personnel. Handicapped parking in all parking areas should be clearly marked and located in areas adjacent to pedestrian walk ways and as close as possible to the athletic fields. All safety, security and medical policies are to be provided to and read by tournament committee chairpersons who in turn must review procedures with all tournament volunteers and contract workers.

All tournament workers must be informed of their roles under emergency action plans. These would include, tournament committee chairpersons, parking personnel, plant personnel, operations personnel, field marshals, concession personnel, safety and security personnel, medical personnel.

All police, security and safety, ambulance, EMT, fire personnel, and Monroe County Parks and Recreation personnel whether on duty or available on a call basis, should be familiar with the tournament's emergency action plans for Karst Farm Park, site of the tournament.

### **Tournament Director Responsibilities**

The Tournament Director has the final resolution authority for all security and safety issues. If contacted by a field marshal to address a security issue, the Tournament Director will attempt to resolve the issue. If unable to resolve the issue, the Tournament Director will request on-site uniformed security personnel for support. If necessary, security personnel will call the Monroe County Sheriffs' Office for additional support. All significant incidents will be reported by the Cutters Soccer Club Tournament Director to the offending participant's club and state association.

### **Team Responsibilities**

The Cutters Soccer Club and the Tournament Committee will operate under the anticipation that coaches and managers of each team will aid in monitoring its players, assistant coaches, parents and spectators to ensure appropriate behavior and the reinforcement of a positive soccer experience. Should any player, parent or spectator become unruly, obnoxious, physically violent, or maintain continued use of foul language, a team representative should request support from the Field Marshal. The Field Marshal may request support from Security personnel when required.

### **Field Marshal Responsibilities**

Each field at the Karst Farm Park Athletic Complex will be designated to a Field Marshal. Field Marshals are easily identified by fluorescent vests. Field Marshals will have radio contact with the Tournament Director, medical staff, security personnel, plant personnel, operations personnel, and parking personnel. If game-related incidents occur, Field Marshals will report the incident over the communications radios and request support from relevant support staff or the Tournament Director, if

necessary. For off-field issues, the Field Marshal will immediately report unruly individuals and/or related incidents to security personnel and the Tournament Director. Field Marshals shall inspect their assigned athletic field before the game and during the half-time period for hazardous conditions and request support from plant and operations personnel if problems are found with the field, equipment, or utilities. The Field Marshal will notify the referee and the Tournament Director if a safety issue may potentially impact the continuation of play on the field.

### **Uniformed Security and Law Enforcement Officer Responsibilities**

Uniformed Security and Law Enforcement Officers will monitor the Tournament Facility, Karst Farm Park during Tournament operating hours and are available to support security issues as required. A minimum of three officers will be available throughout the Tournament's operating hours. The officers will be provided radios to monitor Field Marshal and tournament committees' communications, and may provide incident support if they determine their presence is required or requested. If the Tournament Director requests support for a security issue, the uniformed officer will assist in resolving the issue. If the issue is unable to be resolved amicably, the uniformed officer has the authority to escort individual(s) from the tournament site or request support from the Monroe County Sheriff's Department.

### **Lost Child Procedure**

The tournament will provide a child identification service at the main tournament tent. The tournament will provide colored wristbands to families with small children such that the parents or guardians can write the child's name and their contact information on the wristband and on a tournament child log containing name of parents or guardian, phone number, and height and weight of child. When the wristband is issued the tournament worker issuing wristbands will take a photo of the child. The child's photo and corresponding identification information will be forwarded to the Operations Committee in case the child should get separated from their parent or guardian. In the event that a child is separated from his/her parent or guardian, all tournament personnel will be prepared to assist in the search and location of the missing child.

- If a child is reported missing and the child was issued a wristband, the child's photo and family identification information will be sent to tournament officials, tournament committees, field marshals, security personnel and to medical personnel.
- If the child was not registered through the tournament's child registration service, personnel are to request the following information: Name of child, Name of parent or guardian, height and weight of child, description of clothing worn, last known location and a photo of the child, if available.
- This information will be forwarded to tournament officials and they will be Tournament officials and Security personnel will alert parking personnel to secure entrances and exits to prevent the child from leaving the park by vehicle or on foot.
- Security will call 911 and request support from the Monroe County Sheriff's Department. Monroe County Parks and Recreation Department personnel will be notified to make video available to Sheriff's and Security personnel to aid in search.
- All tournament personnel will be employed in the search. If necessary, games will be halted until child is located. The tournament director, the Sheriff's Department and security personnel will make the decision to halt games if required. The tournament director will determine how games are to restart and communicate to managers, coaches, referees and Field Marshals.

Any questions regarding this security plan, its implementation, or responsibility actions may be directed to the Tournament Director, Chairperson Tournament Management and Oversight Committee.

