

**ILLINOIS YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION**  
**ORGANIZATION STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING AND AGREEMENT**

I, the undersigned President/Chief Officer (I) of the organization listed below (The Organization), agree that The Organization will adhere to all rules, regulations, policies and decisions of the Illinois Youth Soccer Association (IYSA). I agree to pay such fees as are required by the IYSA to maintain membership as well as those fees and fines that are assessed against it as well as those against affiliated clubs/organizations and/or individuals within The Organization which are not paid by the club or individual within one (1) month after assessment by the IYSA. I agree that membership in the IYSA is a privilege and not a right and may be withdrawn by two thirds (2/3) vote of the IYSA Board of Directors if The Organization fails to comply with the rules, regulations, policies and decisions of the IYSA. I understand that ignorance of the rules and regulations of the IYSA shall not be an excuse for failure to comply with same. I hereby warrant that The Organization is not aware of any claim or occurrences that would give rise to any claim against its employees, volunteers, trustees, committee persons and members or affiliated teams and members.

I understand the IYSA Goal Safety Policy (Rule 021-A) and hereby certify that The Organization has implemented the IYSA Goal Safety Policy. The policy states “Any coach who participates in practice or a game where the goals are not securely anchored shall be fined not less than \$200 and suspended for a minimum of not less than one (1) calendar year from the date of the practice or game involved. In the event the goal is not securely anchored the entity (team, club, league, state) that has primary responsibility for the field or event upon which the unsecured goal is situated shall be fined \$1000. Coach means the head coach, any assistant coach, trainer or any other team official present at the time of the violation. The entity against which a fine is imposed shall be in bad standing until the fine imposed is paid. Each team shall maintain in written form a record for each team practice, in which the coach, assistant coach, trainer or other responsible person shall certify that he or she has performed a physical inspection of the goals used in the practice to verify the goals were securely anchored. Each league shall require each club or individual team unaffiliated with a club to certify in writing that it has in place a program to ensure that goals it uses are adequately secured, that its goals have been and will be inspected by a member of the club or team prior to each game or practice. Each club and team shall further certify it has communicated to the parent or guardian of each player the dangers of unsecured goals and their responsibility to assure that goals are secure. Each league shall certify to Illinois Youth Soccer that its clubs and teams have complied with these requirements prior to their annual registration.”

I understand and agree with the IYSA Risk Management Policy (Rule 019) and hereby certify that The Organization has conducted a background check on every new affected person as defined in the IYSA Risk Management Policy and an annual background search on one-third (1/3) of The Organization’s affected persons such that every affected person has had a background search in any three (3) year period. After application of the stringent standards espoused by the Illinois Youth Soccer Association, I do hereby certify that all of the individuals in the list that has been submitted to the IYSA, ie (re: all affected persons listed in the Statement of Position, paragraph 2, a thru f in IYSA Rule 019) are fit to participate in any and all IYSA affiliated/sponsored programs.

The Organization Name (Full Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Print President/Chief Officer’s Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

President/Chief Officer’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_