

## **Mustang Soccer's Player Protection Policies**

### **Policies for Travel**

#### **Leadership Requirements for Trips and Outings**

1. Two-deep leadership: Two registered adult leaders, or one registered adult leaders and a parent of a participating player or other adult, one of whom must be at least 21 years of age or older, are required for all trips or outings.
2. Male and female participants will not share the same sleeping facility.
3. Single-room or dormitory-type accommodations for Mustang Soccer teams: Adults and youth of the same gender may occupy dormitory or single-room accommodations, provided there is a minimum of two adults and four youth. Adults must establish separation barriers or privacy zones such as a temporary blanket or sheet walls in order to keep their sleeping area and dressing area separated from the youth area.
4. When staying in hotels, no youth is permitted to sleep in the accommodations of an Mustang League registered adult leader other than that of their own relative or guardian.
5. The buddy system should be used for latrines by having one person wait outside the entrance, Adult leaders need to respect the privacy of youth members in situations where the youth are changing clothes and intrude only to the extent that health and safety require. Adults also need to protect their own privacy in similar situations.

Advice on 'Best Practices' • A common departure site and a daily destination point are helpful. If you cannot provide two adults for each vehicle, the minimum required is one adult and two or more youth members—never one on one!

o A) Meet for departure at a designated area. B) Prearrange a schedule for periodic checkpoint stops as a group. C) Plan a daily destination point.

Safety rule of four: No fewer than four individuals (always with the minimum of two adults) If an accident occurs, one person stays with the injured, and two go for help. Additional adult leadership requirements must reflect an awareness of such factors as size and age level of the group.

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Mustang Soccer gratefully acknowledges the leadership of Boy Scouts of America in developing best practices for child protection. It is on their policies

that these guidelines are modeled. Persons seeking additional information on these subjects will find a wealth of information at their site:  
<http://www.scouting.org/training/youthprotection.aspx>