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Team Travel Assistance Policy

Purpose: To outline guidelines for the use of Mississauga Croatia Soccer Club (MCSC) funds related to respective competitive team travel for tournament or other special travel related expenses.

General: MCSC competitive teams are responsible to maintain respective funds in order to accommodate annual soccer related expenses such as club, league and district administrative fees, referee and linesmen fees (if applicable), uniforms and other apparel, field fees, tournament costs, equipment costs, and any other costs related to annual competitive league activity.

Team Eligibility: MCSC teams that are U13 or greater in the calendar year for which they are requesting assistance and are registered for competitive play with the club, district and league in which they participate in may be eligible for financial assistance from MCSC for expenses related to team travel outside the team's boundaries of regular league and or cup games.

Travel Boundary: The travel assistance may be provided for travel outside the boundaries of the South Region Soccer League (SRSL) and/or Peel Halton Select Soccer League (PHSSL) or other league for which a MCSC team is registered and participates in from time to time in regular season or cup games.

Assistance Parameters: MCSC will review annually the ability to provide qualifying teams with assistance related to team travel outside specified boundaries. If assistance is available, a maximum amount of four thousand nine hundred fifty (\$4950.00) dollars (based on \$275/player for an 18 player team) may be provided to the team requesting assistance in the given calendar year. Financial assistance for a respective team is limited to one (1) grant during the life of the team with MCSC. MCSC reserves the right to limit the amount of assistance provided to a respective team based on financial stability of MCSC and other factors that may adversely affect MCSC's ability to function under abnormal or unforeseen operating expenses. The maximum assistance to which the team is eligible also depends on the individual eligibility of each player, as outlined below:

- a) a player registered with a MCSC competitive team (or MCSC House League) in at least two of the calendar years prior to the calendar year for which the team is requesting assistance is entitled



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- to a full share (\$275) of assistance.
- b) a player registered with a MCSC competitive team (or MCSC House League) in one calendar year prior to the calendar year for which the team is requesting assistance is entitled to a partial share (\$150) of assistance.
 - c) a player not registered with a MCSC competitive team (or MCSC House League) in a calendar year prior to the calendar year for which the team is requesting assistance is not entitled to assistance.
 - d) a player for whom assistance has previously been provided (e.g., while playing for another MCSC competitive team) is not entitled to assistance.
 - e) notwithstanding (a)-(d) above, the MCSC executive board may, at its sole discretion, decide to award a full or partial share of assistance for a player who would otherwise not qualify.

Team Responsibility: Each competitive team applying for travel assistance must provide the following information to the MCSC executive board for review and consideration:

- a) the names of each team player, up to a maximum of eighteen (18) players, registered with or invited as “guest players” by the respective team requesting assistance (note, “guest players” will be considered according to the criteria listed above, under Assistance Parameters);
- b) description of the event and purpose for which the travel assistance will be utilized for;
- c) submission of the team budget for the regular season in which the team intends to travel in;
- d) evidence of assistance obtained by other means for the team’s travel expenses;
- e) additional player information, including number of prior years registered with the team (and/or other MCSC competitive team or MCSC House League) and any MCSC travel assistance received by the player in a prior year.

All applications for travel must be submitted to the executive board for consideration at least six (6) months prior to the intended travel date to be considered for travel assistance. The executive board will provide a response to the applying team, no later than two (2) months after the application date, indicating its decision.

This policy has been accepted by the MCSC executive as of May 6, 2008. This policy was amended by the MCSC executive as of March 18, 2013.