



The Durham Region Soccer Association is proud to be taking a leadership role in protecting the best interests of kids, and all those involved in our game, by introducing the Respect in Sport Parent Program to our organization. As the first District Association within the Ontario Soccer Association to be taking this important step, and in following the lead of the Ontario Minor Hockey Association, Durham Region Soccer Association will soon introduce the Respect in Sport Parent Program, as a requirement for one parent or guardian of each player for 2016

Interesting Facts

- 70% of kids quit sports by the age of 13 because they stop having fun
- Most common reason: Parental behavior
- For every adolescent boy who leaves sport, 6 girls leave
- How parents interact and behave with the kids, has a major impact on whether kids remain in sport
- Portable among sports (only take the course once)
- 250,000+ parents are certified in Canada (almost ½ are in Ontario)
- No certification expiry, at this time

“Just wanted to provide some feedback on this course. My first impression was this was nothing more than a money grab by the OMHA. After having gone through it I would retract my skepticism and believe there is some excellent messaging and safety information for parents. Glad you made this mandatory so no parent can use the excuse that they didn't know any better”.

**THESE ARE KIDS
THIS IS A GAME
COACHES ARE VOLUNTEERS
REFEREES ARE HUMAN
THIS IS NOT THE
WORLD CUP FINALS
RESPECT THE GAME
AND HAVE FUN!**

“You know I did not want to take the Respect in Sport class as you think it is going to be boring and a waste of time. But I have to admit when I am wrong as I actually took quite a lot out of it. My wife was taking it with me and she kept pointing at me saying yes that is you and I had to admit it was even though I do not perceive myself to be one of those problem parents. It definitely helped me put things in perspective and ground myself in a proper way. I thought the one quote was perfect.... the game tonight is the most important thing in the world right now and it does not matter at all! As a parent with two boys playing hockey thank you for the program it was very much worthwhile”.

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**Durham Region Soccer
Association Presents**



Durham Region Soccer Association (DRSA) & the Ontario Soccer Association (OSA) Respect in Sport – Parent Program – Question and Answer:

Q. What is the Respect in Sport – Parent program?

A. It is a one-hour on-line education program, designed to make good parents, better sport parents and help parents to understand how to empower the bystander. It is intended to create a platform for positive discussion around issues of respect, and to help make sport fun for kids.

Q. What if a parent does not have a computer?

A. Most public libraries provide free computer access, and in some cases clubs will make a computer available in their office for a parent to come in and take the program.

Q. What if a parent does not have a credit card to pay on-line when they register?

A. Pre-paid one-time use credit cards can be purchased at numerous retail locations and used to pay.

Q. I don't have a Pay Pal account. How will I pay on-line?

A. Payment transactions are processed by Pay Pal, but you do not have to have an existing account, nor do you have to create a Pay Pal account in order to pay for the program.

Q. How long is my Parent Program Certification good for?

A. At this time, there is no expiry; however re-certification is an issue which DRSA and the OSA may choose to address in the future.

Q. Where does the \$12.00 go?

A. 1.00 Goes to Pay Pal for fee processing, 1.00 goes to the Canadian Red Cross (Curriculum Partner of Respect Group), \$1.00 goes to DRSA for Administration/Promotion, \$9.00 goes to Respect Group for hosting, 24/7 bilingual help-desk support, program updates, on-going support to DRSA and Clubs.

Q. I already took the Parent Program through hockey. Do I have to take it again?

A. No. You can port your hockey parent certification over to the soccer parent program data-base. Porting instructions are very simple, and can be completed in a couple of minutes. There is no cost to port your certification data over to soccer.

Q. I have taken the Respect in Soccer program for coaches. Do I still have to take the Parent Program if I have a child playing soccer?

A. Yes. The Parent Program is different in content from the Respect in Soccer program for coaches/activity leaders. The Parent program was created at the request of hockey coaches, and most coaches find the content very beneficial.



Porting My Existing Respect in Sport Parent Program Certification to the OSA.

If you are a certified user for the Respect in Sport (RIS) Parent Program, you may port your certification to another Association or Sport, so long as it is the same program.

RIS Activity Leader (Coach), may not be ported to the OSA RIS Parent Program, as it is a different program, with different content. RIS Parent, may be ported to any other association or sport, utilizing RIS Parent. To port an existing certification and user to the Ontario Soccer Association's Respect in Sport Parent Program:

Print your existing certificate or write down the exact certification number Open the link: <https://osaparent.respectgroupinc.com/secure/> Click on "Register a New User"

At the top of the registration page, enter the exact certification number Click the "Check" button

If the certification number is found in the system, elements of your profile will be transferred to the new system. Complete the registration page including Child Management (very important) and select "Submit"

Your profile and certification will be added to the new implementation

- What if I don't have my certification number?
- You can also retrieve your certification number if you have the correct first name, last name and date of birth you entered when you accessed the original program.

Please go to the URL below and enter in the data. <https://validation.respectgroupinc.com/public/rgi/validation/index.jsp>