





ESSEX COUNTY RAVENS FOOTBALL CLUB

INFORMATION PACKAGE

The fact that you are in receipt of this package indicates an interest in Raven Football and for that we would like to say thanks. You have chosen to play in one of the top organizations in one of the country's largest, most competitive leagues- the OSFL.

To learn more about our organization, visit our web site at:

www.essexravens.com

Prior to registering for The Essex Ravens Football Team you must register with Ontario football Alliance and The National Registry at www.ontariofootball.ca please print off registration form and bring with you

The following (7) items are needed for complete registration:

- An information Package (pg. 1-3) & Acknowledgement Form..... pg. 4
- 2 A Medical Release Form.....pg. 5
- 3 An OSFL Registration Form (AVAILABLE FROM COACHES)
- A Raven Player Profile Form......pg. 6
- 6 A Release Form for using your photo on the web site...... pg. 7

To be fully registered, these forms must be forwarded to us completed and signed in addition to the following items below:

- Two clearly photocopied pieces of I.D. An Ontario Health Card, Birth Certificate, Baptismal Certificate, Driver's Licence, valid Passport, Landed Immigrant Certificate.
- A cheque for \$700.00 made payable to: The Essex County Ravens Football Club.

(All players will receive a 5pcs lycra girdle, equipment bag, socks, belt & mouth guard as part of their registration)



POLICIES & INFORMATION

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REFUND POLICY:

It is the desire of the Ravens Football Club to be as fair as possible to those players leaving our program before the end of the season. This desire to be fair is of course balanced against the financial and commitment needs of the club. With this in mind, the Ravens have instituted the following policy regarding refunds.

For all players leaving the team for any reason, anytime between their respective sign up date and the beginning of training camp, the club will refund their \$700.00 registration fee less a \$350.00 administration fee.

This will cover the team's costs associated with registering the player in the Ontario Summer Football League and the equipment they receive at registration.

For all players leaving the team for any reason, anytime after training camp starts, no moneys will be refunded.

PRACTICE POLICY:

Because of the competitive nature of the Ontario Summer Football League the Ravens have put in place a policy regarding compulsory attendance at practices.

During the first two weeks of training camp, practices will take place 5 days a week, Monday to Friday from the hours of 6:30 p.m to 9:00 p.m.

After training camp, practices will take place 2 days a week, Tuesday, and Thursday from the hours of 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Players who miss a compulsory practice without a valid reason will sit out the game for that week. Players are expected to call a coach before practice to inform them with their valid reason if they cannot attend.

With the amount of lead-time we are giving players, work is not an excuse for missing practice.

EQUIPMENT POLICY

All equipment issued to players by the Ravens Football Club remains the property of the club and must be returned upon demand.

All players will sign for the equipment issued to them and will be issued a receipt upon • return of it.

All players are responsible for their own equipment. The Ravens Football Club is not • responsible for any lost, misplaced or stolen articles. If a locker is provided, the player *must provide their own lock.*

FUND RAISING POLICY

With a budget of more than \$70,000 this year, fund raising is of great importance. We have two methods of fund-raising: Players may sell season tickets at \$20.00 each and/or sell advertising space in our Game Day Book. The Game Book advertising provides a way to offset the registration fee for those players who can't raise the full or part of the \$700.00. Any sponsorship money from advertisements will be deducted from the player's fee. Ad sizes: Quarter Page (\$100), Half Page (\$200), Full Page (\$400).

CITIZENSHIP POLICY

It will be the practice of the Ravens Football Club to ensure that all players, coaches, officials and spectators are treated in a respectful and thoughtful manner. Certain types of behaviours and actions are unacceptable and offensive to many people. With this in mind the club will institute the following policy:

- Each player will respect the property and personal rights of teammates, coaches, • opponents, spectators and reporters. The use of profanity, taunting, "trash talking" and any other action that denigrates opponents, officials, teammates, coaches, spectators and reporters will not be tolerated.
- Any such actions will result in sanctions taken against the player. Severe infractions or • continual disregard of this policy by a player could lead to suspension or dismissal from the team.
- Any Ravens player involved in incidents that result in the team being fined by the League • will be responsible for the payment of that fine. The player will remain on suspension until the fine is paid.

As part of our registration process, a player must sign and have his parent or guardian sign the Acknowledgment Form before he is officially registered and allowed to practice or play for the Ravens.