

NATIONAL 1 MIDWEST DISTRICT 5



PROTESTS

General. A protest is a formal written objection of any violation of established policies, rules, or procedures related to a specific match. Only the teams involved are permitted to protest a match result. Third parties, i.e., coaches from other teams, state administrators, cannot file protests on a specific match. Protests must be based upon a violation of the published rules of National 1, or IFAB Laws of the Game. All decisions of the referees regarding matters of fact, including judgment matters, are final and cannot be protested.

- a. A protest may only be filed by a registered team official or club officials for one of the teams involved in the match.
- b. Misapplication of the Laws of the Game may be a valid basis for a protest.
- c. A Referee's judgment may not be a basis for protests.
- d. Protests must be submitted in writing to the MSYSA State Office within 72 hours of the completion of the match being protested. Protests may be submitted via email to chilliard@michiganyouthsoccer.org.
- e. All protests must be accompanied with a \$500.00 bond. Because the protest is being submitted via email, the protest must include a statement acknowledging that the required bond will be submitted to within 24 hours of the protest. Online payment with a credit card may be permitted upon request.
- f. If a protest is upheld, the bond will be returned.

APPEALS

General. An appeal is a written request to transfer a decision from one jurisdiction to another for re-examination. MSYSA State Office decisions may be appealed to the MSYSA Executive Director.

- a. Appeals may only be filed by a registered team official or club official from a team that was impacted by initial decision.

b. Appeals must be emailed to tfaro@michiganyouthsoccer.org within 48 hours of the initial decision from the MSYSA State Office.

c. Notification of appeal must be accompanied by a \$500 bond. Since the appeal is being submitted via email, the appeal must include a statement acknowledging that the required fee will be submitted to the MSYSA Executive Director within one (1) business day. Online payment with a credit card may be permitted upon request.

d. If the appeal is upheld, the bond will be returned. If the appeal is denied, the bond will be forfeited

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