

Dear U8 Division Coaches

Attached you will find the Guidelines for evaluating AYSO players, an evaluation worksheet, and the ratings form. *You will only evaluate those players that move up to U10 next season.* If your form request overall team rating that does not apply to your division.

The evaluation worksheet is new this season our hope is it will help to narrow the wide range ratings we receive and in doing so will lead to better team balancing in coming seasons. Some of this question may be extreme for U8's but it will give you an idea of what to start looking for.

**Techniques for the U8 Division**

Dribbling – head up ball close  
Instep kick – passing and shooting  
Inside foot ball control – trap  
Inside of foot pass – push pass  
Throw-in

**Knowledge**

Ball in and out of play  
Kick-off  
Goal kick  
Corner kick  
Dropped ball  
No holding or pushing

**Principles of Play**

Penetration (direction)  
Width  
Mobility

Should you wish to have any discussions with other Coaches please do so discretely away from players (including your own children) or parents.

Once you have completed the player evaluation form, please return it to your Division Manager or to Beth Krug the Draft Coordinator.

***Thank you*** for volunteering your time and energy to help make AYSO a good experience for our kids.

**Please remember this information is strictly confidential.**

If you have questions, please contact your Division Manager.

Thank you.

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