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### Uniform Policy (Girls U13-U21)

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#### Overview

The exclusive supplier of uniforms for Force Soccer Academy (FSA) is **Absolute Soccer - Burlington**. Players/parents will need to acquire the approved kit prior to start of season, otherwise players **will not** be able to participate in league or tournament games.

Your Team Manager will assist you with questions about your order(s) and be a bridge between yourself and Absolute Soccer – Burlington.

Please speak with your Team Manager with any questions or concerns that you may have during the uniform ordering process. Your team manager will announce when uniform fitting sessions will take place for your team.

#### Understanding Your Force Soccer Academy Uniforms

Standard issue uniforms for FSA consists of the following PUMA:

#### Home Game Kit

- Black Graphic Home jersey with team logo unique player number (player last name is optional)
- Black PUMA shorts
- Orange PUMA socks
- FSA Track Suit

#### Away Game Kit

- White Graphic Away jersey with team logo unique player number (player last name is optional)
- Gray PUMA shorts
- White PUMA socks

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• FSA Track Suit

#### Training Kit

- Black Puma Training Jersey
- Black PUMA socks
- Orange PUMA socks
- FSA Track Suit

#### Showcase Teams (U16-U21)

For U16-21 teams that are considered "Showcase" the Gray PUMA shorts and White PUMA shorts may be interchanged for sanctioned events with the coach's approval.

#### Additional Uniform Guidelines

- 1. Players are responsible for their own soccer cleats, maintained in good condition and age/size appropriate shin guards.
- 2. Players will not be permitted to wear attire that displays the logo or markings of any other football club when attending FSA training sessions, league games or sanctioned events.
- 3. In inclement weather, if it is rainy, cold or windy, dress accordingly with layers (black thermal base layers in the same color as your shorts are strongly recommended) under the uniform. Consider having the Women's Tracksuit Bundle to add during half time and after the game.
- 4. Additional or replacement uniform pieces must be acquired at the players expense, so consider sizing for the growth of the player.
- 5. Shin-guards are mandatory during practices and games (inside the socks). Soft-cleated soccer shoes are recommended (no baseball, football or metal cleats).
- 6. Players must always have their Home and Away Training Kit in their gear bag at all times.

#### Accessories To The FSA Uniform

Eyeglasses are allowed, provided they are made of shatterproof glass or plastic. Alternatively, players can wear

eyeglasses with a protective mask. Players should not wear anything that can be dangerous to themselves or other players: any kind of jewelry, earrings or ornamental hair items are strictly prohibited for practices or game. Should a medical bracelet be necessary, it should be taped down against the skin with adhesive bandage.

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NOTE: Players with pre-existing injuries such as a cast, splint, or players who have suffered or been at risk of a concussion or head injury should not play at any time without a prior examination and written clearance by a physician.

#### Local League Game Dress Code (Fall/Winter/Spring):

- All players must arrive at their local games wearing their full FSA uniform.
- Players may wear their Women's Tracksuit Bundle over their jersey and shorts when arriving to the game venue in cooler conditions.
- The league asks that all players make the effort to purchase the PUMA bench jacket from FSA and wear it during the fall/winter season. **This ask is not mandatory.**

#### Tournament Game Dress Code (Fall/Winter/Spring):

- All players must arrive at their tournament games/events wearing their full FSA uniform.
- Players may wear their Women's Tracksuit Bundle over their jersey and shorts when arriving to the
- game/event venue in cooler conditions.
- The league asks that all players make the effort to purchase the PUMA bench jacket from FSA and wear it during the fall/winter season. **This ask is not mandatory.**

#### Local League Game Dress Code (Spring/Summer):

All players must arrive at their local games wearing their full FSA uniform.

#### Tournament Game Dress Code (Spring/Summer):

- All players must arrive at their tournament games/events wearing their full FSA uniform.
- Players may also wear their Women's Tracksuit Bundle over their jersey and shorts when arriving at the game/event venue in cooler conditions.

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#### Uniform Violations and Subsequent Disciplinary Penalties

- Team Managers (with assistance from their coaches) will be responsible for enforcing the FSA Uniform Policy
- A player will receive a First Violation Warning via email from a Team Manager or a coach if they are seen without proper uniform while participating in training or any league/tournament game or event.
- A player will receive a Second Violation Warning via email from a Team Manager or a coach if they are seen twice in the same season without proper uniform while participating in training or any league/tournament game or event.
- If a player receives a Third Violation Warning via email from the Team Manager, the Team Manager will notify the coach.
- The Coach will then take next steps, which may include instructing the player to leave the training area until they are dressed in the FSA uniform as outlined within this policy.

Please feel free to speak with your Coach or Team Manager if you are having significant issues with purchasing your FSA uniform or training kit.

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