

Challenger International Soccer Host Family Information The most popular part of the week!



What is a host family?

Hosting a coach has become one of the most popular elements of Challenger British & International Soccer programs. Each year we receive hundreds of emails from families telling us what an incredible time they had hosting one of our coaches. The coaches will stay with local families in your community for the duration of the camp week. In return for housing a coach, we will provide you with a free soccer camp (one free week for each coach you host). However, more importantly, your family will also enjoy a unique week learning about European soccer as well as build lasting friendships with our coaches. Register your child for the Challenger British & International Soccer Camp and you will receive a full refund at the end of the host week.

What is expected of a host family?

We encourage our coaches to fit in with the normal pattern of your family life. Host families must provide the coach with a private bedroom, showering facilities (can be shared), access to laundry facilities and meals (to include breakfast, lunch and dinner- if coaches are working a straight 6 hour session, please provide them with a packed lunch). Check out this video from host families:

Host an International Soccer Coach This Summer! Enhance Your Camp Experience! - YouTube

How long do they stay with us?

The coaches will typically arrive in your town on the Sunday evening before the start of your camp. They will arrive at your home sometime after 5:00pm. You will receive more details and a coach bio a few days before the host week begins. Unless otherwise notified, the coaches will stay with you until the Sunday morning following camp. You will receive an email on the Tuesday or Wednesday before the coach arrives confirming the meeting arrangements and you will also receive the coach's bio at this time.

Do I need to provide transportation?

No. The coaches will be provided with their own transportation. Please understand that our auto insurance policy does not cover our drivers when driving host family automobiles and our staff may not transport campers in their vehicles at any time.

Can I find out about my coach prior to their arrival?

The scheduling of staff normally takes place the week before camp. You will be provided with a brief profile/bio of the coach the Tuesday or Wednesday before camp. These profiles will also contain important specific information about your coach as well as any special dietary restrictions that they have.

Do we have to do anything special once they are here?

The coaches will be kept very busy during the week of camp. Each coach is contracted to work for 6 hours a day and they may have additional coaching commitments for one or two evenings during the week of camp. If you wish to arrange any social activities with your family on free nights you may, however this is not required.

Our coaches will be staying with many different families during the summer and we find that it avoids confusion if you discuss any house rules or routines with them on the Sunday evening (e.g. curfew times; meal times; use of laundry facilities and your expectations of them during the week).

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Fairfax County Park Authority HOST FAMILY AGREEMENT



I agree to host a Challenger British Soccer coach these weeks (list the week or weeks you are interested in hosting)______

I live closest to this location These _____ (are/are not) the same dates my child is signed up to attend the camp. I prefer a _____ (male/female/either) coach. We have these pets (circle the ones in household): dog(s) cat(s) none I understand the coaches stay from Sunday to the following Saturday or Sunday and I am to provide sleeping and showering facilities as well as meals during his/her stay. I have also read the Host Family Information sheet. Parent/Guardian's Name (print) Complete Address Cell Phone Home Phone Work Phone E-Mail Address Child's Name Parent's Signature Date

Host families are selected on a first come, first serve basis. Once this agreement is received, you will be listed as an eligible host family. Host families are selected and notified once it's determined how many host families will be needed for the specific session. In the meantime, don't forget to register your child for camp. If you are selected to host a coach, you will be reimbursed for your camp session at the end of the coach's stay. Reimbursements are only for the Challenger British & International Soccer Camps (other camps are not reimbursable).

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