



Top 10 Tips for Coaches: to create inclusion for children with Autism

- 1 Check your registrations to see if a child with Autism has registered for your team
- 2 Get to know the child with Autism by asking parents how best you can support their child *
- 3 Prepare the child for what to expect on the first day, talk it through with the parents *
- 4 Use clear, concise language and wait at least 10 seconds before repeating an instruction
- 5 Demonstrate tasks; break them down into steps or use visual supports when appropriate
- 6 Work with their strengths and get them to practice and build on those skills
- 7 Give plenty of warning when moving to another task or making changes to the routine
- 8 Talk to the opposing coach on game days to discuss any accommodations needed for the player with Autism
- 9 Address the players by their names to ensure you have their attention
- 10 Be understanding if they need a break and be generous with praise



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