

# Spartans Youth Football, Inc.

## Equipment - 9 Important Items

This information is provided by Randy Jurewicz (Coach J) our Equipment Manager for our Spartans Youth Football Inc. (SYF, Inc.) program.

### Here are the 9 IMPORTANT ITEMS you will need to know about football equipment:

1. As the Equipment Manager SYF, Inc. Program and not for your team...We ask that you please appoint an equipment manager for your team that he can work with. Issuing equipment is his main role, however he will help out with major repairs when needed. Please try and appoint someone on your team as soon as possible to manager your equipment needs for all minor repairs.
2. **NO TAPE WITH PLAYER'S NAME ON HELMETS.**
3. Shoulder Pads: Every player should be fitted with our updated set of should pads that have a simple clip and draw strap for proper fitting. If you have a player that has a set with the T-Clip...please have your equipment manager learn the secret of properly attaching it to the strap and not just tie knots in them. Instructions are in the game box.
4. Helmets: Your team equipment manager needs to tighten every screw on every helmet; they are loose and they will start to fall apart if you do not do this as soon as possible. Screwdrivers are provided in your "game box".  
  
Tell all your players not to adjust these at home. Do not inflate or deflate with long needles meant for footballs or basketballs. Use the short needle on the black pump. Long needles will puncture the air bladder and replacements are \$48 each!
5. Girdles, Knee Pads and Pants: Our program has the 5-pad girdle for every player...the only pads that will be passed out are the knees pads, which are inserted in pockets in black football pants provided. The player simply puts on the girdle (like a pair of shorts) then puts black football pants with knee pads over the top.
6. Practice Jersey and Game Jersey: Each player will receive a practice jersey for practices and a game jersey solely to be worn for games only. Please make sure to instruct your players to wash jerseys on a regular basis.
7. If a player quits...please inform Teresa and/or Coach J. It's much easier to get the equipment back during the season than after the season is over.
8. Questions...Please feel free to call Coach J at **(608) 692 - 3287** to place an order for more equipment or to replenish game box materials.
9. Varsity has loaned us keys for the outside equipment room allowing us access to borrow their field equipment (dummies, pads, step pads, etc.). We have a great relationship with Spartan Varsity football...**let's keep it that way** by returning their field equipment to the outside room.

Once school starts youth football is usually on the fields later than the high school football players. We need to make sure the outside equipment room is locked every night when we leave. If you are one of the last teams practicing on the fields, please take 90 seconds to make sure the doors are locked.

Thanks,

Randy Jurewicz  
"Coach J"