

Policy for Assuring Goal Lockup
Stanford Soccer Club
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Background:

Removing and locking up soccer goals after use has become a hot-button issue for the city. Unlocked goals present a safety hazard. Goals left on field encourage non-permitted use of the fields and associated field damage. City policy allows a \$500 fine to the offending club, and threatens revoking field use.

Loss of chains and locks for goals and net boxes has become a problem.

Policy:

- 1) SSC will create a new volunteer role: Lockup Manager
The role will be responsible for dealing with locked goals and netboxes.
- 2) Each Stanford club team is responsible for assuring that the goals and nets are locked up after their use.
- 3) It is permissible to 'hand-off' the responsibility to another Stanford Soccer Club team whose use immediately follows, by mutual agreement. If the second team is not present to assume the responsibility, the first team must lock up the goals and nets. *If the second team is not with Stanford Soccer Club, the first team remains responsible for assuring the goals are locked up.*
- 4) Chains and locks should be locked to the fence or netbox when the goals are in use. If left unlocked, these are often lost.
- 5) If locks and/or chains are missing at the beginning of use, this must be reported to the Lockup Manager immediately, otherwise it will be assumed that last user has lost the equipment.
- 6) Goals may not be abandoned unlocked. If locks or chains are missing, double-up on another set of goals, and report the problem to the Lockup Manager.
- 7) The last team(s) using the goals will be held responsible for their lockup.
- 8) A team responsible for unlocked goals or lost locks will be assessed the following penalty payable to the club:

a. Unlocked Goals	\$50
b. Lost Lock and/or Chain	\$100
c. City Fine Imposed	Actual fine imposed (likely \$500)

For example, if the locks are lost and the goals are left unlocked, and the city fines us for the violation, the cost to the responsible team would be \$650.

- 9) In the case of a second offense within 3 months, the team will lose its spot in the subsequent field selection meeting, and will pick practice fields after all other teams for that season. More than two offenses will be grounds for removal of the team from Stanford Soccer club.
- 10) Judgement of penalties due will be the responsibility of the Club President, using information reported by the Lockup Manager. Appeals may be heard by the board of directors, whose decision will be final.