

# AYSO Region 23 Hacienda Heights

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# Agenda

- ▶ Welcome
- ▶ Introductions
- ▶ Purpose of meeting (know each other, learn from each other)
- ▶ Do's and Don'ts of effective referees
- ▶ How to handle difficult situations with players, coaches, parents
- ▶ Referee Points System for 8U, 10U and 12U
- ▶ Referee assignments for 14U, 16U and 19U
- ▶ Region 23 Referee Incentive Program
- ▶ Changes to the Laws
- ▶ Q & A

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# The Referee Crew

All referees must fulfill the following requirements before stepping on the field:

1. Be Certified
  2. Complete Safe Haven
  3. Complete Volunteer Application (every year)
- ▶ **Center Referee (CR)** - Usually the one with the highest badge or more experience
  - ▶ **Assistant Referee 1 (AR1)** - Usually Referee with more experience. Takes the place of the CR in case of need
  - ▶ **Assistant Referee 2 (AR2)** - Usually Referee with less experience

## **Badges:**

**Regional** - 10U and 12U

**Intermediate** - 14U and below

**Advanced** - 19U, 16U and below

# Pre-Game Checklist

Referee crew should make every effort to be at the field at least 20 minutes before assigned game to:

- ▶ Conduct a pregame conference: CR shares expectations from AR's, gives pointers to less experienced referees
- ▶ Inspect the field for hazards, if any; try to take care of them. If not possible, put a small **soft** cone to mark it and inform all players and coaches
- ▶ Inspect the nets and goals for safety. Make sure the posts are safely anchored
- ▶ Talk to both team players. Depending on the age level, remind them about the use of flags and whistle. Remind them to have fun, play fair, and be safe
- ▶ Talk to both coaches about your expectations and support from them and the parents:
  - ▶ Coaches must remain in the “Coaches Box” during the game
  - ▶ Only the Coach and Assistant Coach may coach during the game
  - ▶ Coaches must remind parents to sit only between the penalty areas, not around the corner kick area, end lines or behind the goals
  - ▶ Referee and Assistant Referees have the authority to enforce above guidelines
- ▶ Have fun

# The Field

AR's positioning



# Referee (CR)

## Duties

- Comes fully prepared
- Wears a complete uniform: black shoes, black 3 stripes socks, black solid shorts, jersey with AYSO Referee badge. Only Region 23 or completely black hats are allowed. (NO sunglasses)
- Enforces the Laws and keep a record of the Game
- Ensures players are safe, play fair, and have fun
- Utilizes the “Diagonal System”
- Keeps ARs in-sight regularly
- Communicates clearly with ARs, players and coaches
- Uses clear and strong signals
- Depending on conditions, suspends game before regulation time - no winner declared

***REMEMBER: The Center Referee can change the call anytime BEFORE the game restarts***

### Alternatives to a Coin Flip:

- 1- Guess a number
- 2- Rock-Paper-Scissors
- 3- Both teams agree

# Assistant Referees (AR)

(or “*The Other Match Officials*”)

- Use same gear as Center Referee
- Follow directions from Center Referee
- Inform and assist, not insist
- Monitor substitutions
- Backup on game time
- Book goals
- Collect game cards
- Stay with Second to Last Defender unless CR says otherwise
- In case of a fight, take numbers of involved players

**REMEMBER:** Club Linesmen only signal out of bounds, not even direction



# Do's and Don'ts

## DO:

- ▶ Arrive at the field at least 20 minutes before your assigned game time.
- ▶ Wear a complete, clean and appropriate uniform: black shoes, black 3 stripes socks, black solid shorts, jersey with AYSO Referee badge. Only Region 23 or completely black hats are allowed. (NO sunglasses)
- ▶ If you wear under garments visible to the public, they must match your uniform color
- ▶ If you must wear a hat, it has to be solid black or a Region 23 hat
- ▶ Be prepared with: 1 or 2 whistles, wallet with caution and send off cards (yellow, red), and game report cards, several pens and/or pencils, 1 or 2 watch/es, flags
- ▶ Conduct a referee pre-game conference with your crew to discuss: fouls, off-side infractions, positioning during free kicks, PK's, use of the flags
- ▶ Inspect the field for hazards: if any; try to take care of them, if not possible, put a small soft cone to mark it. Inform all players and coaches
- ▶ Inspect the nets and goals for safety: make sure the posts are safely anchored

# Do's and Don'ts

## DO:

- ▶ Conduct a safety inspection and talk to both team players (preferably separate):
- ▶ Make sure they have shin guards, soccer shoes, no piercing, or anything that can cause an injury to themselves or other players. Prescription glasses are OK
- ▶ Remind them about the use of flags and whistle, advantage, when and where is OK to substitute, what to do if hurt. To have fun, play fair, and be safe
- ▶ Talk to both team coaches about expectations and support from them and parents. Ask them to assign a person to bring balls back when they leave the field and place them next to their own goalie's goal.
- ▶ Conduct the coin toss with both team captains. Inform them which side home team will defend 1<sup>st</sup> half and who kicks off during the 1<sup>st</sup> half.
- ▶ Have fun

# Do's and Don'ts

## DON'T:

- ▶ Argue with players, coaches or parents - You are the maximum authority on the field, carry it with dignity
- ▶ Take it personal - You cannot please everyone, nor should you try.

# How to handle difficult situations:

- ▶ Talk to your referee crew constantly
- ▶ Talk to players and coaches during the game
- ▶ Maintain your “cool” at all times
- ▶ Use caution cards when necessary
- ▶ Be close to the play at all times
- ▶ Be assertive
- ▶ “Read” the game
- ▶ Do your homework: find out if there is history with players or coaches
- ▶ If parents behave inappropriately, ask their coach for support to control them
- ▶ Continue studying, watch other referees, learn from mistakes
- ▶ Remember: Even professional referees make mistakes

# REFEREES

- 5U & 6U Coaches are the referees.
- 8U Each team provide 1 certified ref for their own game.
- 10U & 12U Each team send 2 certified refs to the following game. If you have last game, provide ref for first game of day.
- 14U Each team provide 1 certified ref for the game following theirs. If you have last game, provide ref for first game of day.
- Referee training class scheduled for \_\_\_\_\_. Details to be posted on website soon.

## Referee Points for 8U, 10U, 12U

- To those of you, returning referees, THANK YOU for continuing to help our region.
- To those newly certified referees or those of you thinking about getting certified, WELCOME to our Referee Family!
- Without us, THE REFEREES, it would not be possible for our children to play.
- The following slides explain the procedures that each coach needs to follow in order to fulfill their team's Referee duties.

# 8U Division

- ▶ Each team is to provide 1 certified referee for their own game. (cannot be the coach)
- ▶ If you have the last game of the day then you are to send a referee for the first game of the day.
- ▶ It is highly encouraged that the referee be certified but regardless each team is to send 1 person to assist in refereeing the game following theirs.
- ▶ If a team does not send a referee for every week of the season the team will not receive their coupons for the end of the year pizza party.
- ▶ We *cannot* force you to send referees but, if you do not provide referees it makes it extremely difficult to start games on time. We all want our games to start on time and have referees so please take that into consideration for the other teams.

# 10U and 12U Divisions

- ▶ Each team is to send 2 certified referees to help referee the game immediately following their game.
- ▶ If you have the last game of the day then you are to send a referee for the first game of the day.
- ▶ Each referee must be **at least a certified Regional Referee.**
- ▶ If a team does not send a referee for every week of the season the team will be **automatically disqualified** from advancing to playoffs no matter what place they finish in. In addition, the team will not receive their coupons for the end of the year pizza party.
- ▶ For every Referee each team sends, the team will receive a total of 4 points. (max is 40 points)



# Referee assignments for 14U, 16U, 19U

- ▶ For 16U and 19U games, Center Referees should have an Advanced badge or be experienced Intermediate referees.
- ▶ We use email and an excel sheet to select games (see next slide).
- ▶ Referees sign in for any game they want and for as many as they wish.
- ▶ This is on a 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> served basis, as long as they have the appropriate badge.
- ▶ 14U games are on Saturdays
- ▶ 16U and 19U games are on Monday and/or Wednesday nights
- ▶ 14U, 16U and 19U teams do not receive points for these assignments.

# Referee Assignments for 14U, 16U, 19U

GAME #	DAY	Date	Time	Field	DIV	HOME	VISITOR	Referee	AR1	AR2
1	W	3/16	7:00	Newton Middle School	GU19	GU19-023	GU19-067	Ricardo Rosas	Josh Davis	Rey Acevedo
2	M	3/28	7:00	Newton Middle School	GU16	GU16-023	GU16-624	Arturo Barrera	Ricardo Rosas	Josh Davis
3	W	3/30	7:00	Newton Middle School	GU19	GU19-023	GU19-624	Bob Hernandez	Arturo Barrera	Dan White
4	M	4/11	7:00	Newton Middle School	GU16	GU16-023	GU16-112	Arturo Barrera	Ricardo Rosas	Josh Davis
5	M	4/18	7:00	Newton Middle School	GU16	GU16-023	GU16-779	Ricardo Rosas	Dan White	Anton Swenoha
6	W	4/20	7:00	Newton Middle School	GU19	GU19-023	GU19-215	Bob Hernandez	Dan White	Ricardo Rosas
7	M	4/25	7:00	Newton Middle School	GU16	GU16-023	GU16-067	Ricardo Rosas	Dan White	John Barrera
8	W	5/4	7:00	Newton Middle School	GU19	GU19-023	GU19-624	Bob Hernandez	Arturo Barrera	Dan White
				23 = Hacienda Heights						
				67 = Chino						
				112 = La Verne/San Dimas						
				215 = Rowland Heights						
				624 = Walnut						
				779 = Chino Hills						

# Incentives

- ▶ For those teams that get at least TWO parents from their team to become certified referees, each player will receive a Region water bottle upon successful completion of the referee course.
- ▶ For Experienced referees and referees looking to gain experience, there will be plenty of opportunities to referee games in addition to those already assigned to your team.
- ▶ Still nervous to jump in the center? There will be plenty of experienced referees who are willing to assist you and share their knowledge with you to make you feel comfortable.
- ▶ The best way to get better, is to jump in and do it.
- ▶ Stop by the Referee tent for a nice cold water.

# More Incentives

The following is a list of incentives for referees who volunteer to ref **ABOVE** and **BEYOND** their already scheduled assignments at **10U or above games**:

- ▶ Referee 5 extra games and you will receive:
  - ▶ A Referee wallet including red and yellow cards, Region coin and match cards
- ▶ Referee 10 extra games and you will receive:
  - ▶ A Fox finger whistle
- ▶ Referee 15 extra games and you will receive:
  - ▶ A yellow referee jersey
- ▶ Referee 20 or more extra games and you will receive:
  - ▶ A Region 23 referee windbreaker jacket

**NOTE:** Please write the word **“Extra”** next to your name in the back of the game card so that Josh can keep track of your extra assignments.

# Referee Long Term Incentive Program

The position of referee is one of the most important on the field. Without the referee, there is no game at all. To thank you for volunteering, Region 23 utilizes the following incentive program. We hope you will continue to become more advanced in your knowledge and application of the laws of the game.

## **Regional Referee (certified):**

*Requirements:* Take and pass the on-line and class portion of the basic referee training

*You receive:* Whistle, Region 23 coin, “laws of the game” book, and uniform (yellow t-shirt, black shorts, 3 stripes socks)

## **Regional Referee (experienced):**

*Requirements:* Must be Regional referee (certified)

Referee at least 7 games (U-10 or older)

Recommendation of an Intermediate/Advanced referee AND of referee administrator of skill level (must arrange to have at least one game observed by an Intermediate/Advanced referee)

*You receive:* Yellow referee jersey, data wallet, Regional referee badge

## **Regional Referee (area ready):**

*Requirements:* Must be Regional referee (experienced)

Approval of referee administrator of skill level

*You receive:* Set of flags (for Center Referees only)

# Referee Incentive Program

## Regional Referee (2<sup>nd</sup> year):

*Requirements:* Must be Regional referee (experienced)  
Approval of referee administrator of skill level

*You receive:* Red referee jersey (at the end of the season)

## Regional Referee (3<sup>rd</sup> year):

*Requirements:* Must be Regional referee (experienced)  
Approval of referee administrator of skill level

*You receive:* Green referee jersey (at the end of the season)

## Regional Referee (4<sup>th</sup> year):

*Requirements:* Must be Regional referee (experienced)  
Approval of referee administrator of skill level

*You receive:* Blue referee jersey (at the end of the season)

# Referee Incentive Program

## Intermediate Referee:

### *Requirements:*

Must be Regional referee (experienced)  
Take and pass the Intermediate referee course

### *You receive:*

Intermediate referee badge  
Referee bag and equipment

## Upper Division Referee (U-16/U-19):

### *Requirements:*

Must be an Intermediate referee  
Referee at least 3 upper division games

### *You receive:*

Long sleeve referee jersey

## Advanced Referee:

### *Requirements:*

Must be an Intermediate referee  
Take and pass the Advanced referee course

### *You receive:*

Region 23 Advanced Referee jacket

*It is expected that, at all levels, our referees set an outstanding example at all times with a professional attitude, appearance and performance. This includes wearing the proper uniform, including socks pulled up and shirts tucked in.*

# Changes to the Laws

- ▶ The International Football Association Board has revised some of the FIFA Laws of the Game. For more information, please go to:  
[www.theifab.com](http://www.theifab.com)
- ▶ We will keep you updated with any information as soon as AYSO makes it available



# AYSO Changes

These are some of the current changes that AYSO has adopted:

- ✓ In 8U games, any foul or infraction is restarted with an (IFK) Indirect Free Kick
- ✓ In 5U, 6U, 8U, 10U, and 12U games, there is NO HEADING. If a player heads the ball the restart is an (IFK) Indirect Free Kick
- ✓ For Kick-offs, the ball can now move in any direction (FIFA)

We strongly recommend that, before the game, you explain these changes to both coaches and all players

# 2017 Western States Law Changes

See Power Point presentation on the 2017 Western States Updates on Law Changes:

- ▶ Throw-ins
- ▶ GK Punts
- ▶ Build-Out Line

# Regional Referee Class

WHEN: TO BE ANNOUNCED

WHERE: TO BE DETERMINED

Make sure to complete the following **BEFORE** the class:

Take On-Line class

Complete Safe Haven

Complete Volunteer Application

# Thank you



*Thank you for all you do for our region.  
Looking forward to another great season of  
AYSO soccer.  
See you at the field*

