



# T&C Soccer Referee Presentation



## 2022-2023 Season

## T&C Soccer Contacts

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As of Spring 2021 Soccer season, this is the current pay matrix for soccer officials. Payroll runs from Sunday to Saturday. Reports are turned into the office by 10:00am. Officials who have not completed the W-9 and bank account information will have payments withheld until onboarding is complete. Only officials who have completed onboarding will be allowed to officiate. Please contact the following for appropriate inquiries:

Onboarding (W-9, Bank information): [finance@tandcsports.org](mailto:finance@tandcsports.org)  
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**In-House 4v4 U12+ \$40.00**

**\*\* Standby U12 < \$10 per 15min**

**\*\* Standby U13 > \$15 per 15min**

**\*\*Weekday Games are paid Sunday Rates\*\***

**\*\* If 2-Man Crew (CR & AR) then missing \$AR is split between CR and AR**

**\*\* If only CR 1-Man Crew, then CR pays 1.5 times regular rate**

Division	Age	Day	CR - 2 Man Crew	CR - 1 Man Crew	CR	AR1	AR2	AR - 2 man crew
D4	U7/U8	Sat/Sun			\$20.00			
D4	U9/U10 (4v4)	Sat/Sun			\$20.00			
D4	U9/U10 (7v7) In-House Acad	Sat/Sun	\$31.00	\$33.00	\$22.00	\$18.00	\$18.00	\$27.00

Division	Age	Day	CR - 2 man crew	CR - 1 Man Crew	CR	AR1	AR2	AR - 2 man crew
D3	U11/12	Sat/Sun	\$41.50	\$43.50	\$29.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$37.50
D3	U13/14	Sat/Sun	\$44.50	\$46.50	\$31.00	\$27.00	\$27.00	\$40.50
D3	U15/16	Sat/Sun	\$47.50	\$49.50	\$33.00	\$29.00	\$29.00	\$43.50
D3	U17/18/19	Sat/Sun	\$54.50	\$58.50	\$39.00	\$31.00	\$31.00	\$46.50

Division	Age	Day	CR - 2 man crew	CR - 1 Man Crew	CR	AR1	AR2	AR - 2 man crew
D2/S2/D1	U11/12	Saturday	\$46.50	\$49.50	\$33.00	\$27.00	\$27.00	\$40.50
D2/S2/D1	U11/12	Sunday	\$53.50	\$55.50	\$37.00	\$33.00	\$33.00	\$49.50
D2/S2/D1	U13/14	Saturday	\$50.50	\$54.00	\$36.00	\$29.00	\$29.00	\$43.50
D2/S2/D1	U13/14	Sunday	\$57.50	\$60.00	\$40.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$52.50
D2/S2/D1	U15/16	Saturday	\$53.50	\$57.00	\$38.00	\$31.00	\$31.00	\$46.50
D2/S2/D1	U15/16	Sunday	\$60.50	\$63.00	\$42.00	\$37.00	\$37.00	\$55.50
D2/S2/D1	U17/18/19	Saturday	\$56.50	\$60.00	\$40.00	\$33.00	\$33.00	\$49.50
D2/S2/D1	U17/18/19	Sunday	\$63.50	\$66.00	\$44.00	\$39.00	\$39.00	\$58.50

Division	Age	Day	CR	AR1	AR2	AR-2 man
Acad Festival			\$ 25.00			

# Agenda



Game Assigning/Schedules



Uniforms



How to's, Do's, Don't's, You better not,  
& DON'T LET ME CATCH YOU....



DFK & IFK



(Do you know the difference?)



**Red** + **Yellow** = **Orange**



Mentor Program



Communication



Rules of Play



Recognition / Motivation



Q & A

# Game Assigning & Scheduling



**\*\*MOST IMPORTANT RULE\*\***

**DO NOT PUT IN AVAILABILITY AND *THEN* DECLINE!!**

- Integrity
- Honesty
- Will not be disabled
- Will be assigned based on need
- May be asked to exit your comfort zone
- May NOT choose which games to do
- Only doing one game a weekend will not get you assigned often
- **If you put in availability and *then* decline, DMC will have you disabled!**
- Must have a reason to decline “Something came” up is not good reason
- After the end of the spring season, referees that have officiated 5 games or less will be deleted.

# Pool of Referees



## List of Referees

- For fall & spring 21-22 season:
  - 205 Officials
    - Fall - 63
    - Spring - 24
    - Fall/Spring - 68
    - Did not referee - 50 (These were deleted)

# Awards:



- Beginning Fall 2022 - Awards at end of season
  - Referee with the MOST officiated games for the current season
  - Assistant Referee with the MOST officiated games for the current season
  - Most Improved (Must have completed New Grassroots Certification for new season)
  - Peer Award: Based on suggestions from each other (Admins do not count)
  - Most Acknowledged: From coach/parent surveys
  - Best performance for overcoming challenges (Admins will vote)

*End of season party (Must officiate at least 10 games)*

# Game Assigning & Scheduling

## What Assignor Goes Through

- Hours to arrange
- 250 officials but 20-30 requests, some only put in for 1 game
- 100-150 games in a weekend
- Last minute changes by referees, game schedules, new games not added
- Games cancelled/added at last minute
- Referees asked to do a game they may not be ready for
- Not enough mentors to assist
- **Declining games makes this process start all over (Think House of Cards)**



# Game Assigning & Scheduling

**\*\*MOST IMPORTANT RULE\*\***

**DO NOT PUT IN AVAILABILITY AND *THEN* DECLINE!!**

In the morning!

- Awake
- Fresh
- Ready to go
- Alert
- Good calls
- Everyone's favorite referee!



# Game Assigning & Scheduling

**\*\*MOST IMPORTANT RULE\*\***

**DO NOT PUT IN AVAILABILITY AND *THEN* DECLINE!!**

Mid day....

- Not so awake
- Just ate lunch..or need food
- Where is my whistle?
- Not so alert
- Misses 2-3 calls
- Some grumbles from the sideline.



# Game Assigning & Scheduling

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Late afternoon....

- About to pass out
- Starving or dying of thirst
- I have a whistle?
- Mind is blank
- Misses lots calls
- Everyone hate you as a referee



# Game Assigning & Scheduling

## How the referee staff can help!

- We will pace your schedule
- We will help to switch referees
- We care about your needs
- We will always back you up
- We have an open door policy
- You can always call anyone of us
- Will ALWAYS protect you!!



# Uniform



# Uniform

- Shirt (Have more than 1 color)
  - Black Shorts (NOT basketball / Volleyball)
  - Black socks (Calf, pulled all the way up)
    - 3 stripes or Official sports
  - Black Shoes (ok with small stripes)
  - Whistle (Have more than 1)
  - Flags (CR should provide to AR's)
  - Cards (Red/Yellow for U10+)
  - Coin (Winning flip decides?)
    - Which Goal it Will Attack in the First Half
- **(LAW 8 LOTG 2022-2023 pg 81)**



# Uniform

- Can reflect your professionalism (Calls)
- Less questionable calls
- Required uniform

Codes for evaluations by staff:

H - Hat (color) = Black

S - Shirt

K - Shorts - No Piping, short/shorts

T - Socks/shoes



## STANDARDS OF DRESS AND APPEARANCE OFFICIAL U.S. SOCCER FEDERATION UNIFORM

**UNIFORM:** Always make sure your uniform is clean, neat, and professional in appearance.

### CLASSIC UNIFORM

**SHIRT** .....

- Long or short sleeve
- Yellow with black pinstripes
- Men's or women's

**BADGE** .....

- U.S. Soccer Federation with current year (securely fastened to shirt over left chest).
- The badge should be for the highest grade for which the referee is currently qualified

**SHORTS** .....

- Black shorts
- Bottom edge of shorts not less than 3 or more than 7 inches above the top of the knee cap

**SOCKS** .....

- Black socks
- U.S. Soccer Federation Referee Program 2-stripe socks

**SHOES** .....

- Black shoes
- Black laces (may have white manufacturer's design)

### ALTERNATIVE UNIFORMS

The following shirts have been approved by the Federation as alternatives that can be worn in case of color conflict. There is no order of preference among the alternate jerseys. The other parts of the referee uniform (shorts, socks, shoes) do not change if the referee wears an alternate shirt.





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Example of Go Home and Do It Again!!



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CATCH YOU....



# How to's, Do's, Don't's, You better not, & DON'T LET ME CATCH YOU....

Signals: Please know your signals

CR: [CR Signals](#) AR: [AR Signals](#)



Offside: Only going to know this is you stay with the 2nd to last defender  
Who is *last* defender?

Passback: What is the correct call? **IFK**

Punting (ages) **No for 9U & 10U** / Headers (Ages) **No for 11U and Below**  
**Unless the 11U is playing in a 12U bracket**

Know your fouls

# How to's, Do's, Don't's, You better not, & DON'T LET ME CATCH YOU....

- As much as player/coach/parent can irritate you, DO NOT LET IT SHOW.
- Do NOT talk to parents - coaches are responsible for them
  - Ask, Tell, Dismiss
- Talk Calmly to players
- Do not be facetious (Smart\*\*\*)
- Always be professional
- DO NOT PLAY WITH GAME BALL!!!





DFK & IFK



(Do you know the difference?)

## Direct Free Kicks - (DFK)

What are 7 offences?

- **Charges**
- **Jumps at**
- **Kicks or attempts to kick**
- **Pushes**
- **Strikes or attempts to strike (Including head-butt)**
- **Tackles or challenges**
- **Trips or attempts to trip**

# Direct Free Kicks (DFK)

- **Careless** is when a player shows a lack of attention or consideration when making a challenge or acts without precaution. No disciplinary sanction is needed
- **Reckless** is when a player acts with disregard to the danger to, or consequences for, an opponent and must be cautioned
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- **YOU MAKE THE CALL:**

Call 1

Call 2





## Indirect Free Kicks - (IFK)

What are 5 offences?

- Plays in a dangerous manner (Ex. High kick)
- Impedes the progress of an opponent w/out any contact being made
- Guilty of dissent, using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures or other verbal offences
- Prevents the goalkeeper from releasing the ball from the hands or kicks or attempts to kick the ball when the goalkeeper is in the process of releasing it
- Initiates a deliberate trick for the ball to be passed back to GK.
- Commits any other offence, not mentioned in the Laws, for which play is stopped to caution or send off a player

# Laws of the Game : Refresh



Coin Flip: What does this decide? (Winning flip decides?)

- Which Goal it Will Attack in the First Half)

- **(LAW 8 LOTG 2022-2023 pg 81)**

Headers: What age group? **NO for 11U UNLESS 11U is playing in 12U Game.**

What is restart? **IFK** What if in Penalty Area? **IFK.....NOT A PK!!!**

Passback: What is it? **A deliberate pass to the goalie using the feet and not a trick pass with the head/thigh.** Restart? **IFK.....NOT A PK!!!**

Kick Off: Double touch? What is restart? **IFK**

Goal kick: Ball is in play once it is kicked and clearly moves.

What is restart if they touch it again? **Retake**

What EXACTLY is “**handling**”? **1)** Is hand moving toward the ball, or is the ball moving toward the hand? **2)** Are the arms in a natural or unnatural position? **3)** Does the player attempt to avoid striking the ball?





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- Try not to use in 10U and below
- Be tactful with 11U
- No mercy in 12U+
- NO QUOTAs (It is not a game to see who gives the most)

# Communication



# Communication

- R should always communicate with ARs
  - Eye contact
  - ARs should mirror
  - Pregame talk
    - Throw-ins, follow the ball to goal line, 2nd to last player, calls in box Y/N?, directions
- Emails, Text, Phone calls
  - PLEASE READ EMAILS
    - All emails/texts should include another adult or referee admin
  - Make sure you have all numbers of referee team

# Communication

- Coaches vs. Officials (Who will win?)
  - **Ask.** “Coach Can you please control yourself/parents and refrain from making any further comments to myself or my AR’s?”
  - **Tell** “Coach, I am telling you to tell your parents to be quiet and not say anything more to me or my AR’s. (Show them **Yellow Card**)
  - **Dismiss** “Coach, you are dismissed from this game and these fields. You must remove yourself to the parking lot for this game to continue. (Show them **Red Card**)
    - Wait for them to leave
    - If they refuse, gather the ball, and your AR’s, with the game card and head to ref shed to complete game card, then return to home team. Please make copy via phone if possible. ANY PHONE, or call DMC, RC, MP, or Soccer Board Member for assistance

# Communication

- Reports

- Any and ALL incidents MUST be recorded in both game officials, and submitted on USSF Supplemental reports within 12 hours. [USSF Game Report](#)
  - IF not done, then Red Card player may play next game
  - Wrong information could be recorded (Ex. U15 Yellow Card name/# switch)
  - Is fresh in your mind.
  - ONLY way to help stop these inappropriate behaviors.

- Game Card [Game Card Example](#)

- MUST be completed fully with all ref PRINTED NAMES, and any notes regarding players, coaches, parents, and Red/Yellow cards. Use back if necessary.

# Mentor Program

## Mentor Program

To be a mentor, you must meet the following requirements:

- Have a Grassroots and higher referee license **OR**
- Have been licensed and officiated for most current 2 years 12U+
- Must follow FIFA Laws of the Game
- Must maintain professionalism at all times
- Must always be in full and correct uniform
- Must be dependable and have not cancelled any accepted games within past season
- Pass Referee Staff referee evaluation in an officiating capacity
- Pass Referee Staff referee evaluation as a Mentor
- Must NOT have declined a game for non-emergency in current or last season

The benefits to being a Mentor are:

- Paid Position
- Official USSF Shirt
- Learning to lead, teach, train, coach, and educate



*"Thanks for asking. Everything's going great!"*

# T&C Rules of Play

Governed by: South Texas Youth Soccer Association (STYSA)





# T&C Rules of Play



## T&C Rule Changes

U7/U8 Throw-ins: allowed and ref will NOT call for infringement.

Coaches responsible for substitutions and timekeeping

Can sub on either possession EXCEPT Corners and Free kicks

# T&C Rules of Play



## T&C Rule Changes

### U9/U10

- Throw-ins: Players allowed 1 do-over then other team
- Subs: Based on STYSA General Rules of Play
  - Agreement MUST be made by both coaches to sub on each others throw-in
- Build Out Line: Coaches responsibility
  - See rules for Academy 2-touch rule

#### Substitution Rules:

Prior permission of the referee is required:
On a throw-in (by the team in possession)
On a goal kick (by either team)
After any goal (by either team)
After stoppage of play for an injury (either team)
After a caution (the player receiving the caution)
Permission of the referee is not required:
The resumption of play after the half time break (except with respect to a change of goalkeeper)

Table 6.1.2(B)

# T&C Rules of Play



## T&C Rule Changes

U11+

FIFA LOTG

Please use Yellow/Red

- Agreement MUST be made by both coaches to sub on each others throw-in

# Recognition / Motivation

What T&C does best? Could do better?

What is your motivation?

Incentives to improve?



# Questions



# 2022-2023 Referee Updates

1. NO Hand written names on ANY game card - no exceptions (WDDOA, CAYSA)
  - a. Players NOT on game card, but has player card **MAY NOT PLAY. NOT ON GAME CARD - DOES NOT PLAY!! On game card but no player card - DOES NOT PLAY.**
2. Game cards are required for all games. Teams have until prior to start of 2nd half to produce to check in players. If not produced, up to Head Referee/Assignor/Site Coordinator to continue.
3. If coach does not have their **Green** Adult Participation Pass, the USYS Member Pass is acceptable to accept. (See next slide)
4. If coach is not present, and another individual is going to coach, contact information **MUST** be recorded on the Game Card (Drivers License #, Full name, Phone, Email, DOB)
  - a. Please advise your assignor or site coordinator immediately and **DO NOT** start game until verification with assignor/site coordinator is approved. (Chavez, Rob, Michelle)
5. Use most **CURRENT** print date/time of the game card provided.
6. **USSF Supplemental Reports are required for (VC-Violent Conduct, AL-Abusive Language, S-Spitting, Coach Ejection, Spectator Ejection/Removal, Severe injuries where EMS is required)**
7. Please make any notes **legible** and in the correct area of the game card.
- 8.

# 2022-2023

## STX Soccer - General Rules of Play



AGE GROUP	GAME LENGTH	HALFTIME	BALL SIZE	MINIMUM # OF PLAYERS
17U, 18U, 19U	Two 45' halves	15 minutes	#5	7
15U, 16U	Two 40' halves	15 minutes	#5	7
13U, 14U	Two 35' halves	15 minutes	#5	7
11U, 12U	Two 30' halves	10 minutes	#4	6

- No Hard Casts, padded or otherwise
- Deliberate heading is not allowed in 11U games. Heading is permitted in 12U games.

Allowed if  
no Green  
KidSafe  
Pass



## STX Soccer Leagues - Match Cards/Reports



- Record all other game information on the match card including player/coaches checked into game, scores, goals, coded cautions, coded ejections, etc. before a team representative signs off on sheet.
- Request each coach (or team representative) to review and sign before leaving the game field.
- Allow coach/manager to take photo of match card for their team records.
- Any coach protesting a scheduled game must be noted on the match card, including protest of cautions/ejections, and other team coach must be informed of the protest.
  - Fees & deadlines apply to protesting team.
- Complete any USSF Supplemental Report for any of the following coded ejections:
  - VC - Violent Conduct
  - AL - Abusive Language
  - S - Spitting
  - Coach Ejection / Removal
  - Spectator Ejection / Removal
  - Severe Injuries where EMS called on scene

# 2022-2023 Referee Updates



## STX Soccer Leagues - Common Questions

- **Neither team arrives to the game with a printed Match Card?**
  - *Both teams have until the start of the second half to provide a Match Card for match officials to use. Once the Match Card has been provided, please complete a thorough check-in of both teams. If a Match Card is not provided prior to the second half of play, the game will not restart and the league administrator will determine the outcome of the match. Please submit a USSF Supplemental to your assignor documenting the circumstances of the match.*
- **Coach claims to not have a player pass or set of passes?**
  - *Any team participating in STX Youth Soccer leagues should have access to virtual player passes - the team official needs to be properly listed as a member of the team for accessing virtual cards. As a backup, teams should always carry a set of physical laminated player passes.*
- **A player does not appear printed OR has a **red-line** through name on the Match Card, can the match officials or coaches write-in the player on the Match Card and allow them to participate?**
  - *NO - neither should be allowed. If at a complex with a site coordinator, please request their support on handling on site. Player should not be allowed to play in either situation unless approved by STYSA.*





# STX Soccer Leagues - Common Questions

- A coach/manager name is not printed on the Match Card, can the match officials allow the individual to remain on the team sideline?
  - Check the individual for a valid 2022-23 Adult Participation Pass. Teams may have up to four credentialed adults on their sideline. If they do not have a valid Adult Participation Pass, check for the individuals name on the Match Card and their Gov. Issued ID, if still no verification, contact your Site Coordinator and remove from Team Sideline.
- Both coaches have agreed to change the length of the game, can the match officials allow the change in lengths to occur?
  - NO - game lengths are set according to the competitions' rules and may only be shortened at the discretion of STX Soccer staff.
- Both coaches have agreed to take water breaks during the game, can the match officials allow the water breaks to occur?
  - NO - water breaks are implemented according to the STX Soccer Inclement Weather Guidelines. The decision to implement breaks must be made by the Site Coordinator or STX Soccer staff for all STYSA Managed League matches. In the case of no site coordinator, review policy.

# Law 12

## Supplemental Report Writing

- US Soccer Game Report and Supplemental
- Include ONLY THE FACTS. Should be SIMPLE and SUCCINCT
- Must NOT INCLUDE opinion, speculation or disciplinary suggestions
- Include the time the incident occurred.
- Players, coaches or spectators involved
- The physical location of the incident
- A factual and complete account of the incident
- Remember to always use current and appropriate terminology based on the LAWS OF THE GAME

# DISSENT (OR EMOTIONAL OUTBURST)

- **Momentary Emotional Outburst**  
Referee Action : Stern look or verbal admonishment
- **Dissent by word or action** - Is the language PUBLIC, PERSONAL, PROVOCATIVE?  
Referee Action : Caution
- **Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or action(s)**  
Referee Action : Send Off

# Dealing with Parents/Spectators

- Remain calm.
- **Do not get into discussions or arguments with the sidelines.**
- Enlist the support of the coach. Ask him or her to speak with the offending spectators and let him know that, if the behavior continues, the game will not.
- If you have asked the coach to deal with problem parents and the situation continues, ask the coach to have the spectator leave the area.
- If the spectator refuses, tell the coach that, if the spectator is not removed, the game will end. Give the coach a reasonable amount of time (a few minutes) to deal with the situation. **Remember, you cannot dismiss a spectator directly but must work through the coach or a tournament or league official.**
- A game report/supplemental should include any misbehavior on the part of the spectators in your game report to the league so that this type of behavior can be disciplined and stopped.