

#### Tracy Youth Soccer League

Referee Meeting August 11, 2013

# Agenda

- Welcome
- Introductions
- Season Information
  - Getting started
  - Phone Calls
  - Housekeeping & Appearance
  - Game Cards
- Priority Calling
- Referee License Renewal

# When does the TYSL season start?

- Under 6 and TOPSoccer season
  - Starts on Wednesday, Sept. 4 & Thursday, Sept. 5
  - Games are on Wednesday and Thursday evenings at 6:00PM
- Under 7 and above season
  - Starts on Saturday, September 7
  - Games are on Saturdays as early as 8:00 AM and end by 4:00 PM

### How do we get started?

- *Call All* will go out either on Sundays or Tuesdays around 4:00 PM for following Saturday games
  - You will need to listen to the ENTIRE message. DO
    NOT call me and ask "why did you call me" or send me
    a text message asking "who is this".
    - If you cannot answer your phone or listen to the voicemail message, don't bother calling for games
    - <u>I will not return calls</u> nor will I return text message inquiries
  - The Call All date may change when I am out of town

### How do we get started?

- *Call All* will give you the time frame to call (usually between 6-8 PM)
  - DO NOT leave a message during these hours, I will not return calls
  - You will need to keep calling until you can get through to speak to me (unless you reach the outgoing message that the game assignments are full)
  - DO NOT show up unless I gave you an assignment.
    You will be sent away

### How do we get started?

- *Call All* for u6 and TOPSoccer games will normally go out on Sundays or I will call referees
  - You will be given a time frame to call me
  - DO NOT leave a message during these hours, I will not return calls
  - You will need to keep calling until you can get through to speak to me (unless you reach the outgoing message that the game assignments are full)
  - DO NOT show up unless I gave you an assignment. You will be sent away.

# Who is on the Call All lists?

- List of referees for u6 games
  - Newly licensed referees
    - May be paired with an experienced referee
    - Will be mentored by Field Supervisor/Referee Mentor
  - Those who may need extra mentoring
  - Those who show a consistent lack of paying attention to instructions, rules or Laws of the Games
  - Anyone else we see fit to referee u6 games

# U6 and TOPSoccer Referees

- Mentoring for U6 referees
  - A qualified referee will be at the U6 games to mentor those doing the U6 matches
  - Older, responsible referees may be called for TOPSoccer matches
  - Newly licensed referees will be the priority to get
    U6 games over any one else, for on hands training

### U7 and above Referees

- Games are on Saturdays
  - 2-3 different locations
  - Lead Referee assigned to each location
    - Check in with your Lead Referee
    - The Lead Referee is your BOSS. SHOW RESPECT at all TIMES!
    - The Lead Referee is there to MENTOR you. Accept all feedback and use it as a learning tool to get better at your job!
    - Assistant Lead Referee
      - All rules above apply as the Lead Referee

- Show up at least 30 minutes before the first scheduled game
- Show up prepared
  - Uniform clean, and crisp with current badge
  - Whistle, pen, flip coin, red & yellow cards, watch (YOU are NOT allowed to use your cell phone to keep time), and flags for the ARs.

- Uniform
  - New Yellow referee jersey
    - Other colors as needed (if you are doing higher comp level games)
  - Black REFEREE shorts
    - Purchase at a soccer store or online
  - Black socks (3 designs for referees)
    - White stripes at the top
    - USSF printed on the ankles
    - USSF printed on the sides





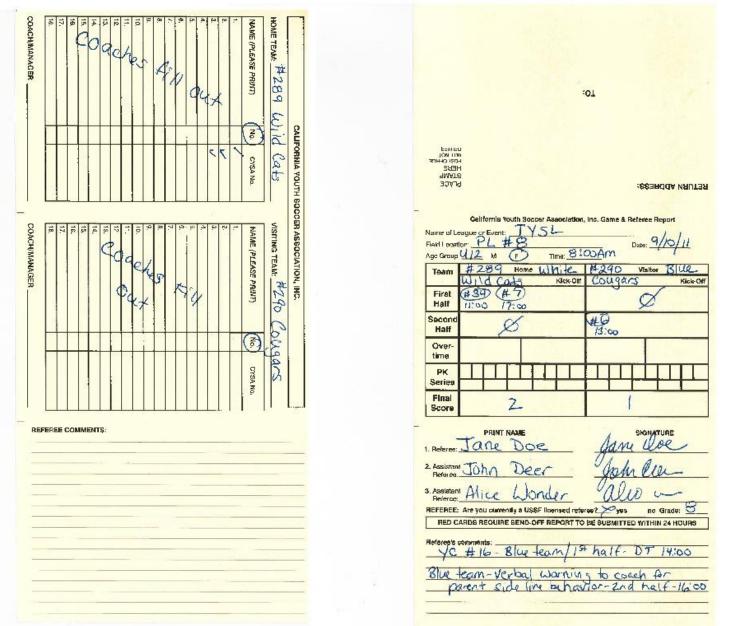
- Jerseys MUST be tucked in at all times
  - BEFORE you enter a field to check in teams, you should be in full uniform (no jackets, no sweats)
- No jewelry except your watch
  - This includes face piercings (eye, face, lip, ears, tongue, etc)
- Hats must be solid black and worn with the bill forward
- Under armor or long sleeve black shirts are okay for warmth

- Shoes/Cleats should be black in color
  - If you do not own a pair of black running shoes or cleats, I am not recommending you run out and buy a pair, this is a rule of thumb especially if you want to referee at higher levels and out of town
  - DO NOT ref in Van style type shoes. You will slip.

### Game Cards

- All information MUST BE PRINTED CLEARLY
- Fill in the entire GAME CARD
- Any game card missing the date, time and age group will be paid a flat rate of \$10.
- MAKE SURE you have the score CORRECT!
  - Incorrect score reporting can cause MAJOR ISSUES!

#### Game Card



#### **Referee Teams**

- YOU are a team when you step onto the field together
  - DO NOT talk to the sideline at any time with regards to negative comments about your referee team
  - Whether you agree with how well your other referees are doing or not, do not ever make negative comments about your referee team
  - If you are an AR and have issues of any kind with the sideline you are on, immediately call your center referee over for consultation
    - You can call your center referee over at any time, especially if anyone on your sideline, including spectators, players, and coaches, are making comments that are making you uncomfortable
    - Immediately report any harassment of any kind to your lead site referee

# **Tips for Referees**

- Saturday games
  - Bring a lunch and snacks
  - Wear sunscreen
  - Bring a solid black hat to protect skin from the sun
  - Stay hydrated!
    - Water provided by TYSL at all sites

# NO OBLIGATION

- Just because you have a referee license, <u>DOES NOT</u> mean I am obligated to assign you games
  - Referees consistently showing up late or not showing up at all
  - Sloppy, out of uniform
  - Uncooperative, aggressiveness towards others, not open to feedback
  - Not following guidelines for signing up for games, parents constant involvement (ie emails, phone calls)
  - Bothering Board Members for checks
  - Your parents contacting me!

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  <u>NOT</u> mean I am obligated to assign you games
  - <u>R</u>ESPECT
    - at all times to Players, Parents, Coaches, Board Members, Head Referees, other referees
  - <u>E</u>AGER
    - to receive feedback, have a job, passion for refereeing
  - <u>F</u>RIENDLY
    - smile, relax and enjoy yourself

# **Priority Calling**

- Priority Call In will be ONLY for those that are currently licensed.
  - I have the list of currently licensed referees
  - Second call in will be for those that are not current and will get a different call in time
  - Assignments for second call in time will only be given if there are any spots left

#### **Referee License**

- MUST be renewed EACH year
  - If you do not have a current year badge, you need to renew it on the CNRA website
    - <u>http://cnra.gameofficials.net</u>
      - On the Home page, there are instructions on how to renew
- You MUST wear your current patch when officiating games

### **Additional Resources**

- Referee License Renewal
  - <u>https://cnra.gameofficials.net/</u>
- Tracy Youth Soccer League
  - <u>http://tracyyouthsoccer.com/</u>
  - Like us on Facebook
    - http://www.facebook.com/pages/Tracy-Youth-Soccer-League/319818218114431
- Diana Magallanes, TYSL Referee Assignor/ Referee Mentor
  - (209) 597-1922 or email: SoccerDi07@comcast.net

# When do I get paid?

- Payroll is submitted to the Treasurer every two weeks
  - In some cases, it may be 3-4 weeks
  - YOU are responsible for tracking your games/pay
- Checks will either be mailed or delivered to the site locations
- DO NOT call the Treasurer, the Referee Coordinator or any other Board Members asking for your check!
- Your patience is greatly appreciated!

### Pay Scale

- Recreational Soccer Games (Current year licensed referees)
  - U6 \$13 per game
  - U7/U8 \$13 per game
  - U9/U10 \$15 per game
  - U11/U12 \$17 per game
  - U13/U14 \$20 per game
  - Coed \$25 per game
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Official \$10 per game
- Competitive Soccer Games (Current year licensed referees)
  - U9-U13 \$25 per game
  - U14-U16 \$27 per game
  - U17-U19 \$33 per game
- \*IF an unlicensed referee is assigned to games, your pay will be \$3.00 less per game than the pay scale above.
  - You cannot do competitive if you are unlicensed! NO EXCEPTIONS!

#### QUESTIONS??

