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AYSO TRI STATE GAMES SOCCER TOURNAMENT Referee Plan

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The following are guidelines that the AYSO TRI STATE GAMES SOCCER TOURNAMENT will apply for referees in our 2009 tournament:

Commitment Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Each referee team will be asked to officiate a minimum of 3 matches during the tournament. These may be game assignments or standby assignments, which will be consider equal in terms of earning the referee deposit refund. B. If all assignments are completed, the entire referee deposit of \$150.00 will be refunded within 14 days of the completion of the tournament. If only partial assignments are completed, then a partial refund will be provided equal to the proportion of assignments completed. C. The deposit refund check will be returned to the address shown on the Team Application form. D. Remember: the quality of officiating is largely dependent upon the experience and abilities of the referees you provide. E. If a team submits less than a full 3-person referee crew, these referees will be assigned to games. However, only a proportion of the referee deposit equal to the number of referee assignments these referees complete will be refunded to the team. F. Should a team's referees fail to appear for their assigned game and no replacement referees can be found, then the entire team's referee deposit may be forfeited regardless of how many other assignments the referee crew may have completed.
Qualification Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Each referee must be an AYSO registered volunteer and Safe Haven certified. B. Each referee must be versed in the Laws of the Game, including current law changes and capable of applying the laws according to the spirit of the game. C. Each referee may only represent one team in the tournament. D. IF players are being utilized as officials during this tournament. Breaks between playing and officiating may NOT be possible. E. Coaches in this tournament are strongly discouraged from officiating so that scheduling of referees with the best experience and without conflicts can be accomplished. If an exception is warranted due to lack of other referee volunteers, this must be approved in advance by the TRI STATE GAMES Referee Administrator and/or TRI STATE GAMES Tournament Director. F. Youth referees will only be allowed with prior approval from either the Tournament Referee Administrator or the Tournament Director. Care must be taken when considering whether to allow a youth referee to officiate in the heated environment of a competitive tournament.
Uniform Requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. All referees must be in full Uniform as defined by AYSO and/or USSF, including the AYSO Badge. B. The Gold uniform will be considered the primary color of referee uniform for this tournament. The referee crew will be expected to change to an alternate color in case of conflict with either of the teams' uniforms. Unless otherwise approved by the Tournament Committee. C. Referees not in uniform will not be permitted to referee games, and their team's referee deposit may be subject to forfeiture.
Competency Requirements & Assessments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Three Referees will be assigned to all games provided by each team. B. All referees MUST have taken the AYSO Referee Safe Haven Course, either in a classroom setting or online. C. All referees should have taken Basic Refereeing and working towards either Intermediate and/ or Advanced Referee certifications. This tournament should be utilized by regional referees to assist in being assessed. Every effort will be made to assign referees to neutral games at their level of competency. However, referee crews may be asked to split up in order to meet these goals.
Tournament Rules	<p>Referees will be expected to familiarize themselves with and uphold the tournament rules, AYSO guidelines and FIFA laws. Any failure of the referee to uphold these rules may be cause for dismissal from the tournament, and will place a team's referee deposit refund in jeopardy.</p>

	<p>A. Only the diagonal system of control will be used.</p> <p>B. Referees will be expected to fill out the game cards and to keep track of substitutions.</p> <p><u>U12 & U14 players can only substitute at the following stoppages;</u></p> <p>A. At the end of the first quarter.</p> <p>B. At half time.</p> <p>C. At the end of the third quarter.</p> <p>D. After an injury when the referee has stopped play.</p> <p>With the referee(s) permission, a team may substitute or re-substitute any number of legal players at the following stoppages for U16/19:</p> <p>A. Prior to a throw-in (only by the team throwing in)</p> <p>B. Prior to a goal-kick (by either team)</p> <p>C. After a goal (by either team)</p> <p>D. After an injury when the referee has stopped play (one player by either team)</p> <p>E. At half-time (by either team)</p> <p>C. Referees will be expected to note on the back of the game cards and to fill out misconduct reports immediately after the game in which a misconduct (caution and/or send-off) was issued to a player or coach, or if there were spectator interference problems, or any other action that merits a report.</p> <p>D. Referees will be expected to turn in all completed game cards and misconduct reports to the Field Monitor immediately after each game.</p>
Referee Schedules	<p>A. Referee schedules will be mailed out to each team and also made available on the tournament website within 2 weeks of the tournament. Each team will be expected to ensure that the referee schedule and check-in instructions have been provided to their referee crew.</p>
Referee Check-In	<p>A. All referees will be expected to check in at the Referee Station upon their arrival at the tournament, to register and to collect their Referee Voucher.</p> <p>B. At check-in, each referee team will be provided with a summarized set of tournament rules that they will be expected to administer.</p> <p>C. Referees are expected to check in at the Referee Station at least 30 minutes prior to their assigned game. Failure to appear on time may result in a replacement referee crew being assigned to the field. Once a replacement crew has been assigned, they will have priority and the original crew must report to the Referee station for alternative assignment.</p>
Referee Mementos	<p>A. Referees will be provided with food, drinks & snacks at the Referee Station on Saturday & Sunday</p> <p>B. Participating referees will receive a tournament t-shirt, & a flipping coin to thank them for their contribution.</p>
Address:	<p>Referee forms must be mailed with the Team Application to:</p> <p>Tournament Registrar AYSO TRI STATE GAMES C/O Melanie Sutton 502 South Bailey North Platte, Nebraska 69101</p>
Contact Information:	<p>Questions regarding referee requirements should be directed to:</p> <p>Call Toby Kuhn 785-877-2275 E-mail tmkuhn@ruraltel.net Web site www.aysosection4.org</p>

