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## 40th Annual AYSO Oxnard Sports Festival Soccer Tournament AYSO Invitational

### REFEREE PLAN

**The following guidelines will apply for all referees in our tournament:**

Commitment Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Each team participating in the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Oxnard Sports Festival Soccer Tournament must provide at 3 qualified referees.</li> <li>B. The Oxnard Sports Festival Referee Nomination Form must be completed, approved by the Regional Referee Administrator, and returned with the Team Application.</li> <li>C. Referees may be asked to officiate games. If referees are assigned games, complete their assigned games, or provide referees that are not assigned games, then the team will receive their entire referee deposit refund of \$200 within 14 days of the completion of the tournament. If only partial assignments are completed, then a partial refund may be provided equal to the proportion of those assignments.</li> <li>D. Remember: the quality of officiating is largely dependent upon the experience and abilities of the referees you provide.</li> </ul>
Qualification Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Referees must be an AYSO registered volunteer for the MY2016 season and Safe Haven certified.</li> <li>B. Each referee must be versed in the current version of the Laws of the Game, and capable of applying the laws according to the spirit of the game.</li> <li><b>C. Each referee may only represent one team in the tournament.</b> In order for a referee to be listed on multiple Referee Nomination Forms, prior approval from the Oxnard Sports Festival Referee Administrator must be granted.</li> <li>D. Coaches in the tournament <b>will not</b> be allowed to officiate, unless approved by the Oxnard Sports Festival Referee Administrator.</li> <li>E. Youth referees will only be allowed if they <b>are not</b> a player in the tournament. Care must be taken when considering whether to allow a youth referee to officiate in the heated environment of a competitive tournament. These referees must be approved by their Regional Referee Administrator, by completing the Oxnard Sports Festival Youth Referee Authorization Letter.</li> <li>F. These referees must have their Youth Volunteer Letter with Youth Volunteer Application form attached with them at all times and present it to any Tournament official upon request.</li> <li>G. Youth referees will only be assigned to games where they are qualified and at least 2 years older than the age group they are officiating.</li> <li>H. FIFA referees who are qualified AYSO referees are allowed to wear their FIFA badge; however, they must be prepared to certify to the tournament staff that they are properly certified AYSO volunteer referees and have AYSO Referee Safe Haven certification.</li> </ul>
Uniform Requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. All referees must be in full Uniform as defined by AYSO and USSF, including the AYSO Badge.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>C. Pre-approved by Oxnard Sports Festival Referee Administrator alternate referee uniforms may be allowed.</li> <li>D. Referees not in uniform will not be permitted to referee games, and their team's referee deposit may be subject to forfeiture.</li> <li>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 assignments these referees complete will be refunded to the team.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
Competency Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Referees will be assigned to games as follows:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>U-10: Regional Badge or higher</li> <li>U-12: Intermediate Badge or higher</li> <li>U-14: Advanced Badge or higher</li> </ul> </li> <li>B. Any exceptions must have the prior written approval of the Oxnard Sports Festival Referee Administrator.</li> <li>C. Every effort will be made to assign referees to neutral games at their level of competency or below. Referee crews may be asked to split up in order to meet these goals.</li> </ul>
Tournament Rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Referees will be expected to familiarize themselves with and uphold the tournament rules, AYSO guidelines and FIFA Laws of the Game. Failure to uphold these guidelines may be cause for dismissal from the tournament, and will place a team's referee deposit refund in jeopardy.</li> <li>B. Only the diagonal system of control will be used.</li> <li>C. Referees will be expected to fill out the game cards, keep track of substitutions, sign the game cards, and fill out misconduct reports immediately after the game for cautioned and sent-off players, coach/spectator dismissal, and any other action(s) deemed by the referee which merits a report.</li> </ul>

	D. Referees will be expected to turn in all completed game cards and misconduct reports to the Referee Station immediately after each game.
Referee Schedules	A. Referee schedules will be made available on the tournament website and emailed to each individual referee by email within 1 week 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.
Use of Local Referees	A. Most referees will be provided by the host region, including the surrounding regions and areas in order to ensure all games are covered by qualified referees.
Referee Check-In	A. All referees will be expected to check in at the Referee Station upon their arrival at the tournament and at least 30 minutes prior to their first game time. B. At check-in, each referee team will be provided with a summarized set of tournament rules that they will be expected to administer. C. Failure to appear on time may result in a replacement referee being assigned to the field. Once a replacement referee has been assigned, the original referee must report to the Referee Station for an alternative assignment.
Referee Mementos	A. Referees will be provided with lunch, water, and snacks each day that they officiate in the Tournament. B. Participating referees will receive small gifts as a thank you for their participation.
Address:	Referee forms must be mailed with the Team Application to: <b>Tournament Registrar</b> <b>AYSO Oxnard Sports Festival Soccer Tournament</b> <b>3481 West 5th Street, Suite #106</b> <b>Oxnard, CA 93030</b>
Contact Information:	Questions regarding referee requirements should be directed to: Call Alex Diaz, (805) 754-6135 E-mail <a href="mailto:northoxnardrra@gmail.com">northoxnardrra@gmail.com</a> Web site <a href="http://www.region304.org">www.region304.org</a>