



**The Flag and Whistle**  
**Newsletter of the South Bay Soccer Referee Association**  
**Serving the Soccer Community since 1976**



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## **A Good Start**

We got off to a good start in the 2025 – 2026 season over the first two weekends. We had one hiccup where a club did not confirm their games and thus we did not cover one field. We had multiple red cards and reports were submitted timely with varying degrees of proper completion.

Some referees shared confusion with the new 8-second goalkeeper possession law. Please be reminded this only applies to possession in open play and NOT on goal kicks, etc.

For those who may have missed it, the following email blast was sent to all members:

### **Before game day:**

1. Upon receipt of your assignments, check Arbiter to:
  - a. Know exactly which field you have been assigned to. Click on the location and do a trip planner to estimate when you need to leave home to be on time,
  - b. Check that you have enough time to get from the first location to the second if you are assigned to multiple locations. Allow time for half time and post-match procedures. If it appears you may not have enough time to arrive in time, inform Gabriel,
  - c. You inform your teammates at the second location that you are coming from another one, even if you think you have plenty of time!
  - d. Read the rules of the league to which you have been assigned, in particular, substitution rules,
  - e. Note - there is no need to check the game schedules on league websites, leave that to Gabriel! He diligently checks them and updates as necessary throughout the week up to and including Fridays.
2. Check your uniforms, to make sure you have:
  - a. Shirts - at least 3 different colors (yellow, green and red),
  - b. Plain black shorts,
  - c. Two striped (above shin, around calves) USSF socks, only,
  - d. Plain black cap (no desert style hats, etc.),and that all of the above are clean and in good shape with no stains or rips.
3. Print out rules and match fee schedule and take this to the field.

### **On game day:**

1. Ensure you have sun protection, hydration and something to eat,
2. Leave on time to be on the field, not just the parking lot, at least 30 minutes before game time,
3. Use the Arbiter App on your phone for navigation to your field to ensure you go to the correct location,

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### **Board of Directors**

**President:** Jonny Joseph

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**Member-At-Large:** Tony Calandra

**Assignor:** Gabriel Goldsman



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4. Membership communication:
    - a. Text teammates before your first games that you are coming from another location,
    - b. Keep your phone with you with volume on until just before the game starts,
    - c. Answer the phone when called 30 minutes before game time,
    - d. Contact teammates by calling, NOT texting within 30 minutes before game time, if necessary,
    - e. Call the assignor if one or more of your teammates has not arrived at the field at least 25 minutes before game time,
  5. Set the tone, with friendly and professional interactions with both sets of coaches, as soon as you can, after arrival at the field,
  6. Be careful where you leave your gear. We have already received a report of a stolen item. You may not be able to set up in the shade. Ensure your gear is within eyesight of at least one member of the referee team,
  7. Read/recognize and address sideline issues early. They will not subside; they will only grow until you can no longer manage it!
  8. Referee Abuse Prevention - please keep this in perspective. Every look, verbal or disagreement is NOT abuse! We need to de-escalate, lower the temperature, and not stoke the flames.
  9. Be reminded - the new 8 second rule for goalkeepers applies to possession (ball in hands) during normal play, not goal kicks!
  10. Be supportive and respectful of fellow referees and the association at the field, even if you are in a leadership position of your child or anyone else's team. Criticizing or interfering with another referee is unethical and completely unacceptable, whatever you may think of their performance! If needed, provide the assignor with feedback but make sure your knowledge of the Laws of the Game and/or Rules of Competition is accurate!
  11. Ensure you complete all post-match reporting, including:
    - a. Completing match reports,
    - b. Completing supplemental reports on time and informing the assignor and member-at-large right after your match that a report is coming,
    - c. Completing electronic reporting, including EA, ECNL and CSL (using the App, including a picture of the match report and rating each team).

Please pay attention to these points and reflect on how YOU/WE can all do better.

Very importantly, **have fun!** Put a smile on your face as if you are enjoying yourself, fake it if necessary!

### **Professional Appearance**

Please be reminded to avoid the following non-compliance with uniform standards:

- Long-sleeve undershirts, of any color, are unacceptable under short-sleeve referee shirts
- The only acceptable socks are black with two stripes above the shin, around the calves
- Shorts and socks that are not quite black
- Desert style, or any other floppy style, hats with neck flaps.

### **Jersey Badges**

We have 4 alternatives:

- USSF Soccer
- USSF Futsal



- SBSRA
- CSL “5 Star Referee” (for CSL games only)

Please ensure you wear the correct one for each game. As a general rule most youth games require a USSF badge (current year or next year’s badges only), middle school and most adult games require an SBSRA badge.

### **Coast Soccer League**

Speaking of CSL... Bernie Towers and Chris Price were our guests at the July membership meeting at which they congratulated SBSRA for our performance in the 2024 – 2025 season noting that the following 18 SBSRA members (21% of our membership) were recognized as 5-Star Referees based on team ratings and the percentage of reports completed:

Bruce Ashton *	Ricardo Chavez	Noureddine Miloud	Mourad Tighiouart
Marlon Bailey *	Omar Gomez	Yohannes Nigusie	Antonio Vinolas
Toufik Bourmel	Jonny Joseph #	Sergio Perez	Matthew Wong
Craig Breitman #	David Martin	Hector Ramirez	
Tony Calandra	Stephen McCall	Troy Roberts	

\* 3-time CSL 5-Star Referee (19 in all of CSL)    # 2-time CSL 5-Star Referee (29 in all of CSL)

Overall, our referees received average ratings of 4.54/5.00 (3<sup>rd</sup> place amongst all 21 associations) and our referees rated 78.95% of the teams in the CSL app (also 3<sup>rd</sup> place amongst all 21 associations).

### **League Rules**

Please be reminded to visit each league’s dedicated page on our website, which can be found at <https://www.sbsra.org/competitions> before going to the fields to officiate their games. If you have any questions about a league, please check the website before asking an assignor or anyone else.

A variety of problems on and off the pitch occur when members are not familiar with the rules of the league in which they officiate and are easily avoided with just a few minutes of research on our part.

### **Single Referee Call-In Procedures**

Please be reminded that we have revised our day of game single referee call-in procedures as follows:

- Weekday games – continue to call into our SBSRA hotline, (310) 955 9905, and select 1 to leave a message,
- Weekend games – send a text message to the Assignor, (213) 220 3580 and include the following:
  - Your Name,
  - Field Location,
  - Time of Game.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Included below are the General Membership Meeting Minutes for approval by the Membership at our next meeting.



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### SBSRA General Membership Meeting Minutes August 26, 2025

1. Call to order at 7:04pm.
2. Approval of July 2025 Meeting Minutes, motion by Antonio Vinolas, seconded by Steve McCall, approved by acclamation.
3. Monthly Training:
  - a) Chris Nevil - League Highlights, Preparation for the 2025/2026 Season - see presentation attached.
  - b) The following additional points were made:
    - i. SB noted if a situation occurs with a player, coach or spectator, be sure to leave the field as a "team" when returning to your vehicles.
    - ii. JJ mentioned due to the recent heat spell, be sure to use your judgement when allowing water breaks for players and referees.
    - iii. JJ recommended informing goalkeepers and coaches of the new procedure regarding 8 seconds for ball release during the first weeks of the season.
    - iv. JJ also reinforced the importance of reading and knowing the applicable league rules "before" you go to your match(es).
    - v. JJ further noted to make sure player numbers are present and not duplicated prior to the start of any match.
    - vi. Larry Savell asked if only team captains can address the referee. JJ mentioned that the new IFAB law is not mandatory, each league may decide to implement this, and none have informed us that they have done so, yet.
4. Treasurer's Report:
  - a) Address Changes - Please notify the Treasurer directly of any change.
  - b) Checks for July games will be distributed at the meeting or mailed if unclaimed.
5. President's Report:
  - a) Board Meeting - August 2025:
    - i. Six teams have returned to choose SBSRA as their referee provider for Elite Academy, Development Player League, Girls Academy and ECNL matches. Three of these teams were required to provide us with a referee deposit. In addition, our agreement states that we will not assign refs until all invoices are paid if they have any amounts outstanding for more than 60 days.
    - ii. Board approved our annual tax returns for the year ended June 30, 2025, for filing. Thank you to Bruce Ashton for continuing to prepare them for us without charging us for his excellent service!
    - iii. Competitions' pages have been updated. Members are reminded to visit them before every set of games to refresh on team check in processes, substitutions rules, supplemental reporting requirements, etc. Any questions - check with applicable assignor in advance of the matches, don't wait until 5 minutes before kick-off!
    - iv. Dropped members - 40 or so did not renew by the deadline and a few have submitted renewals in the last few days. The returning percentage of 80% is consistent with prior years. It is interesting to note that about half of





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- the non-returning members didn't do many games or, in many cases, no games last season. Seems the only members we lost who did more than a few games, had moved away from this area.
- v. CSL referees - Last month, CSL shared some information here with us and subsequently provided a report with data for each ref who was assigned CSL games. 4 referees were identified that refereed more than 5 games but did not submit the match report or rate the teams more than 50% of the games they officiated. JJ sent them an email requesting they talk to GG to explain why they did not complete their required duties. Common response was they had problems with the app, but never asked for help or let anyone know.
  - vi. Arbiter administration - Steve Brandon is now fully immersed in all things Arbiter, so any questions about Arbiter reach out to him. Thank you again to Steve Morgan for being our Arbiter Administrator for the past 5 years!
  - vii. Arbiter license and Insurance policies have been renewed and we are now ready for the season!
  - viii. Referee misconduct - the Board had a case of misconduct of a member that was raised internally to consider this month. This included claims of failure to issue a red card for abusive language, failure to submit the Supplemental Report timely and unprofessional and disrespectful communication with an assignor. Ultimately, it was determined that while the referee action on the field was incorrect, it was not a punishable offense, the report was submitted 10 minutes before the deadline and the language towards the assignor was unacceptable. The member was fined \$10 for the last item.
- b) Amended Bylaws Approval - at the June AGM, 6 bylaws amendments were approved. In the July Flag & Whistle the revised bylaws incorporating those amendments were published for membership approval as required. JJ invited a motion to approve the updated bylaws. Motion by Steve Brandon, seconded by Barry Giberman, approved by acclamation
  - c) New Member Introductions - JJ invited new members to introduce themselves and the following did so:
    - i. Ken Hansen
    - ii. Robert Rossal
    - iii. Bernardo Pulido
    - iv. Noah Ferrero
  - d) Other - SBSRA logo shirts are once again available in Male/Female options. Visit [sbsra.org](http://sbsra.org) for ordering.
6. Vice President's Report:
- a) ROL Update and SafeSport
    - If you dropped off the Cal South ROL it is most likely due to SafeSport expiration.
    - If you drop off the ROL, SB will send you an email notifying you of such so you can address this. You will also be placed as "Inactive" within Arbiter so you will not be assigned any matches. You can send your completion



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certificate of ROL reinstatement from Cal South to SB who will update your Arbiter status faster than if he waits for an ROL update.

- Greg Sirbu asked if SafeSport is valid for all sports. JJ responded yes, but only the organization that is linked with SafeSport for you will be notified automatically. You need to download and provide your SafeSport certificate from the SafeSport website to the other organizations.

### 7. Secretary's Report:

#### a) SBSRA Membership Report

- i. Full Members - 109. Renewing Member Applications continue to come in, we review and approve them every few days; so far only one application has been denied this year.
- ii. Probationary Members - 17
- iii. New Member Applications - 3

### 8. Assignor's Report:

#### a) Cal South Update - referee committee announced a new Director of Assignments; Jesus Cisneros replaces Andre Wolas.

#### b) Game Expectations for the Next Few Weeks - important points to note:

- i. Season starts on September 6 with games in CSL, SOCAL, ECNL and EA. We already have approximately 200 games for that first weekend!
- ii. Update blocks on Arbiter and follow Arbiter as your official tool for assignments. Please be reminded:
  - Limited mileage and hours available will reduce your opportunities.
  - <5 or 6 hours of time available makes it almost impossible for you to be assigned.
- iii. For newcomers you will receive an invitation by assignr.com (platform of EA). Please complete the form with your information (banking information is not necessary) which will allow the assigned referee information to be included in Modular11 and for Gabriel to assign you to EA games.
- iv. Solo games - Please text Gabriel at least one to four hours before kickoff to confirm the weekend games. Call the SSBRA hotline at least an hour before to confirm your weekday games. SB noted that Single Game procedures are noted on the Arbiter Dashboard.

#### c) CORE Training - next scheduled for September 9. Wayne Merrick will be the instructor.

#### d) Other - No need to manage and accept assignments on other assigning platforms, e.g., CSL, EA, etc., just need to manage Arbiter. GG will take care of accepting games in the other platforms to facilitate match reporting by referees.

### 9. Member-At-Large Report:

- a) Supplemental Reports - TC presented the updated new timeline and procedures. It is important that assignors are informed immediately after games and reports are sent to the applicable Assignor and MAL on the day of the match but no later than noon the next day.

### 10. Other Business - None.

The meeting adjourned at 8:46pm.



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**Report Writing – Supplemental Report**

In this edition, we focus our attention on an important post-game activity: writing a Supplemental Report. This document is separate from the more common game report. A Supplemental Report is used for incidents that may occur in a game such as:

- Sending-off offenses
- Serious injury
- Spectator issues
- Field issues
- Game delays
- Abuse or assault

It is important that the referee, in collaboration with the rest of the referee team, complete and submit a Supplemental Report for any of the incidents above to the competition authorities, the State Referee Administrator (SRA), and the assignor of the game. Check with the local competition for information on the deadline to submit the Supplemental Report (typically within 24 hours, but in some cases sooner due to a tournament schedule, for example).

Review **Figure 1** below for the core elements that a Supplemental Report must contain for each incident.

**Figure 1.**



## REPORT WRITING | SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

- Remember that for each incident, the following must be included in the **supplemental report**:

- Just the facts
- Core elements
  - Game information
  - Time when the incident occurred
  - Participant(s) involved (e.g., player, coach, spectator)
  - Complete and concise description of the incident including the location





Referees must take the time to complete and submit a Supplemental Report as needed so that the competition authority takes disciplinary action or addresses the issues as appropriate. In cases of abuse or assault, the process to handle such incidents requires a Supplemental Report. For additional information, check with your State Referee Committee (SRC) and State Director of Instruction (SDI) to help you verify local rules of competition and opportunities to learn more about this topic. Thank you!

**Figure 2.** Key takeaways on writing a Supplemental Report

**REPORT WRITING | SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT**

- The referee is responsible to submit a **supplemental report** in collaboration with the rest of the referee team.
- It is used to report red cards, serious injury, abuse and assault, spectator or field issues, and game delays.
- It must contain the game information, time of the incident, the participant(s) involved, and a short, factual description.
- The referee submits it to the competition authority, State Referee Administrator (SRA), and assignor

Check the local rules of competition for additional reasons to submit a Supplemental Report

Review **Figure 2** for a quick summary on this topic. For resources and examples, check out the following resources (English and Spanish):

### [Referee Game Reports](#)

[Supplemental Report Writing – Part 1](#)

[Supplemental Report Writing – Part 2](#)

[Supplemental Report Writing – Part 3](#)

[Supplemental Report Writing – Part 4](#)

### [Informes del juego para el árbitro](#)

[Informe suplementario – Parte número 1](#)

[Informe suplementario – Parte número 2](#)

[Informe suplementario – Parte número 3](#)

[Informe suplementario – Parte número 4](#)



**SOUTH BAY SOCCER  
REFEREE ASSOCIATION**



**THE SBSRA “BIG LEAGUES”:  
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO!**

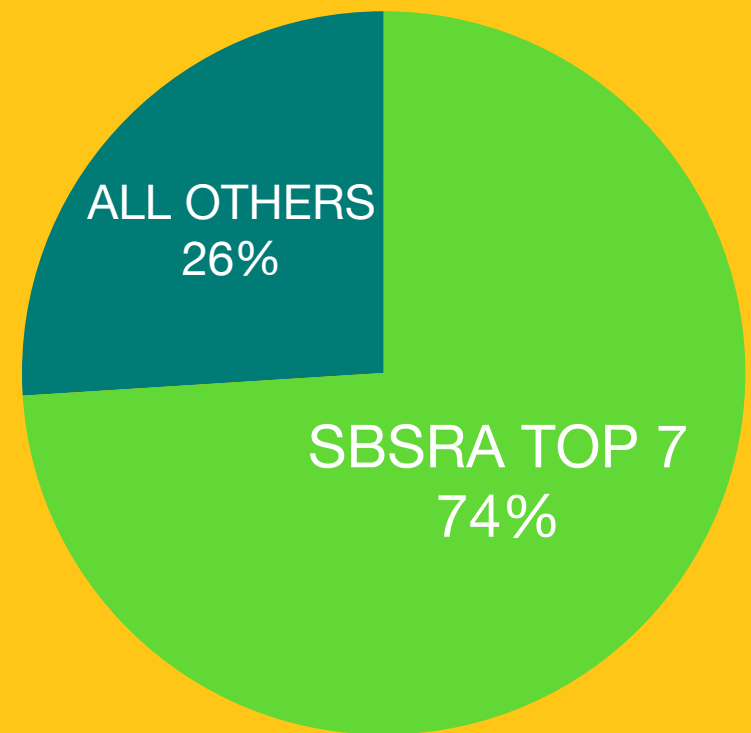


**WEB EDITION!**





**THE LEAGUES WE WANT TO  
TALK ABOUT TODAY MAKE UP  
ALMOST THREE QUARTERS  
OF OUR BUSINESS EACH  
YEAR!**





## **LEAGUES HAVE CHOICES!**

- ❖ **THERE ARE *THIRTY* LISTED CAL-SOUTH AFFILIATED REFEREE ASSOCIATIONS**
- ❖ **IF WE DON'T PROVIDE TOP-NOTCH PERFORMANCE, WHICH INCLUDES COMPLYING WITH EACH LEAGUE'S SPECIFIC RULES AND PROTOCOLS, NOTHING STOPS THEM FROM LOOKING ELSEWHERE**





**TONIGHT WE'LL REVIEW THE IMPORTANT  
RULE AND PROCEDURE DIFFERENCES OF  
OUR TOP SIX LEAGUE CLIENTS - ADULT  
LEAGUES FIRST.**





## **SOUTH BAY SOCCER REFEREE ASSOCIATION**

**BEFORE WE GET STARTED...  
ALL LEAGUES, ALL GAMES!**

***BEFORE GAME DAY...***

**VISIT THE COMPETITIONS PAGE ON THE SBSRA WEB SITE AND REVIEW THE GAME DAY RULE VARIATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR YOUR UPCOMING GAME(S)!**

**DO THIS IDEALLY 1-2 DAYS BEFORE GAME DAY. AVOID FRANTICALLY CALLING THE ASSIGNOR ON GAME DAY TO CLARIFY SOMETHING YOU'RE CONFUSED ABOUT!**

**FOR YOUTH GAMES WITH LARGE SQUADS, CONSIDERING HAVING ALL PLAYERS TURN AROUND BEFORE THE INDIVIDUAL PLAYER CHECK-IN TO ENSURE NO DUPLICATION OF NUMBERS**



## **PLAYER CHECK-IN**

- Of our adult 7 v 7 leagues, only SBS requires checking each player's ID card! Make sure the card shows the player's photo that looks like them, the correct league (7 v 7), and registration year
- Get the ID card from each player - not from the manager or captain!
- Have a score sheet printed out - there's a fill-in .pdf form available on the SBSRA competitions page.
- It's a good idea to carry extra forms in your bag in case you forget the print-out or are unable to access our Web site



## **PLAYER CHECK-IN**

- **The same requirement applies for the Sunday 11 v. 11 men's league, but the league office provides the score sheet or roster. Check the players off on the roster as you receive their cards.**
- **Look for and remind players in all SBS contests that shin guards are mandatory in SBS leagues!**
- **Spectators should be on the other side of the halfway line from the A.R.**



## **RULE VARIATIONS**

- **7 V 7:**
  - **All kicks are Direct. Kickoffs may score.**
  - **Cautions require a two-minute man-down sit-out (common to all of our 7 v 7 leagues except El Segundo)**
  - **Referee stoppage is not a dropped ball. If there was clear possession, that team receives a Direct Free Kick. No clear possession = dropped ball.**
  - **Playoff tiebreaker: 2 x 5 minute golden goal: 6 v 6, then 4 v 4, then 1 v 1 Penalties; golden goal (male/female rotation)**
  - **Substitutions may be on the fly - no ref permission required. They must take place from the goal line.**



## **POINT OF EMPHASIS**

### **■ 7 V 7:**

- Send-offs: inform the SBS field office immediately after the match of any send-off, especially for 7 or 8 pm games. If Violent Conduct or some other egregious act was involved, the league may want to ensure the player doesn't participate in another contest on the same night.**
- The sent-off player must leave the premises - do not restart the match until they do**
- Take a picture of the ID card of any sent-off player before turning it into the SBS office. The picture should accompany the supplemental report.**



## **RULE VARIATIONS**

- **11 v. 11**
  - **No sit out for cautions (vs. SBPSL, where there is a five-minute suspension for the offender and man-down situation)**
  - **Slide tackling is permitted (two divisions of SBPSL do not allow this)**
  - **Playoff tiebreaker: 2 x 10-minute golden goal, then Penalties**





## **POINT OF EMPHASIS**

- 11 v. 11**
  - The sent-off player must leave the premises - do NOT restart the match until they do**
  - Take a picture of the ID card of any sent-off player before turning it into the SBS office. The picture should accompany the supplemental report.**
  - Be on the watch for players with no jersey number or duplicate jersey numbers and require the problem be fixed**



## CHECK-IN/REPORTING

- Print out a score sheet ([SBSRA.org](http://SBSRA.org) competitions page)
- Check-in: have the team manager provide a printed roster. If they only have a roster "on their phone", circle "no" and write "digital" on the score sheet.. Politely request that the manager provide a printed roster in the future.
- Shin guards not required - unlike our other three 7 v 7 leagues! The players are responsible for any injuries to themselves for lack of guards.



## RULE VARIATIONS

- All kicks, including kickoffs, are **INDIRECT** except goal kicks, corner kicks, and penalty kicks.
- Substitutions only with ref permission on dead balls - and from the touchline, not the goal line (distinct from SBS)
- Playoff tiebreaker: straight to Penalties. Know the specifics! For 9 pm games, move to the kicks quickly, as MB turns off the lights shortly after 10 pm!



**NOW, LET'S LOOK AT OUR  
MAJOR YOUTH LEAGUES...**





## CHECK-IN

- All players must have **SOCAL** player pass cards (physical or electronic copies). Check them and note each player that is present on the roster/match report.
- In the case of a missing/ejected coach, anyone with a club administrator pass may step in to supervise the team
- In both **SOCAL** and **CSL**, spectators are to be on their team's side of the field, on the other side of the halfway line from the A.R.





## CHECK-IN

- If a team forgets their US Club Player passes, the game can begin and continue if the player pass cards are at the game by half-time. If the player cards are not there by half-time then the game shall be abandoned. GotSport Digital, or photos of cards will be accepted. All managers and coaches are able to access Virtual ID's in GotSport.



## **PRE-GAME PROCEDURE**

- **There is no coin toss for SOCAL games. The home team kicks off in the first half of the game; away teams choose which half of the field they will start the game on.**





## **SOCAL NPL**

- **Be aware if you are assigned a fairly rare SOCAL NPL game. Substitution rules differ between NPL and the main program.**



## GAME AND INCIDENT REPORTING

- Although SOCAL has implemented an electronic score/incident reporting system, at this time we are continuing to complete and obtain signature on the paper score/roster sheet.
- Likewise, for send-off or major injury reports, we will continue filling out the standard USSF supplemental on the SBSRA Web site and submitting it to the Assignor by no later than noon the following day.
- If a spectator is sent off during your SOCAL game, and you cannot get their (real) name, simply report the name given, or that no name was provided, and SOCAL will handle the matter internally. Note on the report that the coach/manager would not disclose the spectator's name. **DO NOT TERMINATE THE GAME!**



## CHECK-IN

- All players must have Coast Soccer League player pass cards. They should be physical cards. However, CSL will now accept a Cal South photo roster in lieu of hard cards. Check them and note each player that is present on the match report. Write-ins are accepted if they have a CSL player ID.
- Be aware of maximum roster player count (18 for 11 v. 11 games)
- In the case of a missing/ejected coach, anyone with a USSF 'F' license or above may step in to cover the team
- In both SOCAL and CSL, spectators are to be on their team's side of the field, on the other side of the halfway line from the A.R.



## **REPORTING (by the Referee)**

- **Complete the CSL match report and have both teams sign**
- **Make sure you have the CSL referee app. on your smart device.**
- **Open the app. and scan the bar code on the CSL match report. It will take you to the page corresponding to that particular game. Enter the scores, misconduct cards, and comments. Even if the score has already been entered, we are still required to submit a picture of the match report and rate the teams.**





## **REPORTING (by the Referee)**

- It is **MANDATORY** that you then complete the screens in the app. to rate the teams! This is of great importance to CSL. We want 100% participation, please!
- This past season, just four members spoiled our reporting/rating performance with CSL by reporting less than 50% of their games.
- If you have any challenges with the app, reach out to Gabriel immediately. It is a condition of receiving CSL games from SBSRA that you take this step!





## CHECK-IN

- All player and bench staff check-in is done via the Modular11 Web site. It is highly recommended to log in to the Modular11 Web site the day before your game to ensure your games appear (CR and AR). If you are new to the system, be sure to watch the tutorials onlinked on our competitions page.
- Scan the QR code for that game off the home team coach's or managers phone if you have not already logged into the Modular11 web site.
- Note that all of the information here applies to both EA and EA2



## **RULE VARIATIONS**

### **— SUBSTITUTIONS:**

- U11/U12, unlimited, with re-entry**
- U13 and above, seven players / 3 “moments” per half and NO re-entry!\***
- Collect substitution passes U13 and above to ensure compliance**
- \* Exception to the no re-entry rule: suspected head injuries. See the EA rules documents!**





## **RULE VARIATIONS**

### **■ BEHAVIOR**

- EA has zero tolerance for discrimination or harassment, specifically the use of a list of offensive terms which can be found on the EA competitions page**
- EA has a specific protocol for dealing with such incidents; please study it.**
- Similarly, EA is very strict about any sort of behavior that violates their “standards”.**
  - Example: \$500 fine if a player strikes another player, and...**
  - <<A player that strikes another player will be banned from the EA league permanently>> (!!!)**
- Given the consequences, we MUST get these decision and reports right!**



## REPORTING

- The match report must be submitted on the day of the match using Modular11.

## MISCELLANEOUS

- Somewhat unusually, U16 games play 45-minute halves in EA and pays accordingly. Be clear about this!



## CHECK-IN

- Check in players on each coach or manager's phone via the app., or scan the QR code on their phone and check the players in using your own.
- ONLY electronic ID's on the app. are acceptable. No physical cards.
- When both teams have checked in, the app will display a QR code.
- Scan the QR code to enable entry of the post-game report (if not already done to perform the check in).



## **RULE VARIATIONS**

### **— SUBSTITUTIONS**

- U11/U12 - unlimited**
- U13 and above: maximum seven (7) subs per half, NO re-entry**
- EXCEPTION: potential head injuries may be substituted for without counting against the substitution cap or re-entry prohibition**

### **— BEHAVIOR**

- Any red card to a coach or player prohibits the recipient from playing or coaching in any other ECNL contest that day, as well as the next competition at that level.**



## REPORTING

- Scores, game data, and any incidents or misconduct must be reported through the app. using the QR code supplied by the home team
- Supplementals to the assignor are, of course, still required.



## **CONCLUSION**

- **Tonight's review was only intended to highlight significant differences or unique requirements of some of our largest clients.**
- **We are fortunate to have a robust and well-maintained competitions page on our SBSRA Web site. We ask that you review and, where appropriate, print out the key league rules and protocols well before each assignment!**
- **Please remember and adhere to the requirement to submit timely and proper league and supplemental reports. Continuing to earn the trust and opportunities from our leagues depends on our professionalism!**



**THANK YOU!**

**QUESTIONS?**

**Ask Gabriel (weekend games)**

**Ask Veto (weekday games)**