

# VYSA REFEREES' – PRE-SEASON INFORMATION 2016-2017

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:** You must complete a Criminal Record Check every 36 months by an agency approved by BCSA. You must also register with BCSA and take a refresher course. As per BCSA Rule 18: *No person shall officiate as a referee in any competition under the sanction of the Association who is not on the official list, except in unforeseen circumstances.*

**Note: A retreat line is required U11-U13. AR's are required for U16 – U18.**

**NEW: AR's** – Clubs must provide AR's for U15 league cup games and on a best effort basis for the 2016-2017 playing season also for league games.

**4 District (Boys') Guide:** call the field conditions number on page 4, after 1pm on Fridays to determine if we're on grass or gravel. If we're on gravel DO NOT let teams convince you to go to the grass under any circumstances.

Do your best to start games on time- if the 9AM game starts late then all games scheduled will be late. The rule is that as soon as the teams have 7 players the game can be started.

As players must be in proper strip, so should referees – to set an example.

It is not part of your job, nor do we want you, to contact team officials about the game that you have been assigned to referee.

## BCSA Photo ID

Prior to the start of the game the front and back of all BCSA photo ID cards will be checked by the referee. The referee will then check off the "tick" box on the team list. The photo ID cards will be retained until the game is over, and only the cards of players that have not been ejected will be returned.

As of October 1<sup>st</sup> players and team officials without validated BCSA photo ID will **NOT** be eligible to play, coach or manage. Exception will require written permission from the District Discipline Chair or, when specific to registration, the District Registrar. This would have been done in advance of their game.

**EXPULSIONS: 4District Boys'** games scheduled in Vancouver. Hand-deliver **ALL** (BBY, NS, RMD & Vancouver) photo ID's to Jackie Larson **788 E. 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue** by Monday latest. Do not mail them. I can be reached at **604-879-9948** if you have any questions or concerns.

**BCC Girls'** – hand-deliver photo ID's to 788 E. 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue, write "GIRLS" on the envelope.

## TEAM LIST - PROCEDURE

- Two copies of the team list and the BCSA photo ID's must be given to you **before the game**. The Ref or assistants must check all players against the team list and the ID cards. All players' full

names & jersey numbers must be on the team list. **Turn the cards over to make sure that they are all for this team.** It is not good enough to have the photo ID given to you – you must check them!

- Sign one copy** of the team list and give it to the opposing team. Keep the other copy in case there is a protest.
- Keep the photo ID cards** until the end of the game at which time you will keep the card of any expelled player or team official reported for misconduct.

**Boys'** - Where field configuration permits team officials' and their players' must stand on one side of the field while both teams' spectators will stand on the opposite side of the field. Where field configuration does not permit spectators must not stand behind the technical area.

**ALSO** - The pre-game handshake will be organized by the team's officials or team captains. The 4-District Board suggests that the end-of-match handshake should only be done if both teams are still respectful of each other.

## SUSPENDED INDIVIDUALS

If it is brought to your attention that a player is suspended ask his team official to have him stay back at least 50' from the sidelines to avoid further problems.

## HANDS OFF PLEASE!

If you are trying to get a player's attention – DO NOT put your hands on him to do so. In this day and age you could face an assault charge.

For example: in the case of a player or team official you've had to expel – speak directly to him and say that he is not allowed to be involved in the handshake and he must go to the sidelines. If he does not comply do not get involved further, but put it in your discipline report. If a player has chosen to go into the handshake line, approach his team official to request that he get him out of the line. DO NOT get into a confrontational situation if you can help it.

**Note: you have to show respect to get respect.** If you hand out cards do not make comments about one team to another (for example "worst team I've ever refereed.")

## FILLING OUT YOUR PAPERWORK

**4-District Boys'**: It is NOT necessary to fill out a BCSA game report if there was no misconduct to report.

Enter your cautions and ejections on the BCSA Discipline website [www.bcsoccer.net](http://www.bcsoccer.net) by not later than Sunday nights. Please double-check the spelling of the players' names and make sure the first and last names are in the proper order. Also the team name.

**(Red Card) Ejection** reports must be explicit. As you are not at the discipline hearing your report is all we have to go by. If it was a fight was it with an open palm or a closed fist? Did the player actually hit the opposing player? How many times? Or was it an attempt to hit? Did the opposing player retaliate? Who was the instigator?

- If it's a fight that involves a player from each team you will refer to the opposing player's involvement. Who started it? If a player came from the sidelines we need to know.
- If you know who was more aggressive tell us, if not don't guess.
- Do not use terms like: "In my opinion" "In my view" or things like "I feel one game should be sufficient" or "throw the book at him."
- The Discipline Committee has guidelines and you should not indicate to the player or his coach, at the field, how many games you think the player will or should get.

If it was language who was it directed at? No one in particular? At a specific person? To you, as the referee? What was said? You don't have to use the F word but we do have to know what was said. As in "he called me an F....A.....and told me I needed glasses."

Remember you can't card **spectators** but you must report their misconduct and/or the team officials' lack of assisting you in controlling their fans – report under *Fails to Behave in a Responsible Manner*.

## GETTING PAID FOR YOUR GAMES

Report your games on the [www.vysa.ca](http://www.vysa.ca) website – preferably not later than the end of each weekend. Cut-off dates to submit game reports for 2016-2017 payment are: October 31<sup>st</sup>, December 12<sup>th</sup>, February 20<sup>th</sup> – any reports coming in after these dates will be paid on the next pay period:

It's especially important to complete your season's end reports so that you can be paid in a timely fashion. April/May = Extra pay dates for those referees' who officiate Cup games and any girls games scheduled in March.

For additional information check the following sites:

[www.vysa.ca](http://www.vysa.ca)  
[www.4districtsoccer.com](http://www.4districtsoccer.com)  
[www.bccgsi.com](http://www.bccgsi.com)  
[www.bcsoccer.net](http://www.bcsoccer.net)