

Dix Hills Soccer Club - Intramural Referee information - Fall 2007

1. All referees are to be at their field no later than 10 minutes **before** the scheduled game start time. A field safety inspection is required to make sure there are no dangerous conditions. Safety is the referee's primary concern.
2. Referees are to be dressed in proper referee uniform (referee jersey, black shorts, cleats) and have in their possession a stop watch, a whistle and linesman flags. Referees are to set an example in appearance and behavior.
3. Referees must check all the players on both teams for cleats, shin guards and proper uniforms prior to the scheduled start of the game. All shirts are to be tucked into player's shorts. No clothes are to be worn over the jersey. The home team wears yellow and away team is in white. No names and numbers are to be on any uniforms of children U-8, U-7, U-6, U-5 or U-4. Goalkeepers must have on a pinney or a goalkeeper jersey of a different color than either team.
4. After both teams are checked, bring both coaches to the center of the field and confirm and explain the length of the game and half-lengths, the number of players, and any other rule questions. Also ask if OFFSIDES will be in force. All coaches and players must be on the same sideline while all parents and spectators are on the opposite sideline. (U5 and older) No parents are to be behind the goal (unless taking the place of sandbags, and then they are not permitted to distract or speak with players). Each coach will be given a flag to give to a parent on his/her team to waive when the ball is out of bounds.
5. All games must start and must end on time. Game time schedules must be adhered to as closely as possible. If a game does not begin on time, shorten each half so that it ends on time. Each half is a running clock with no stoppages for dead balls or injuries.
6. Familiarize yourself with the DHSC Divisional Rules. Confirm with the coaches prior to each game that they, too, are familiar with the rules for their age division.
7. Players are not to wear any jewelry: no earrings, no clips in their hair, and no watches, necklaces or bracelets. (except medical alert types) No brimmed caps are permitted. Only sports or safety glasses will be allowed. There will be no exceptions to these rules in any division. Band-aids or tape covering earrings is not acceptable. Hoods and loose clothing must be tucked inside the player's jersey. Players may not wear anything that, in the opinion of the referee, may cause injury to themselves or to other players.
8. Any coach who comes onto the field during the game unless waived on by a referee will be warned once. The second time a yellow card will be given to the coach and the next time a red card will be issued. (U6 and above)
9. Referees are to be in complete control of the game at all times. They are to check that all corner flags are properly up, (U6 and older) and all goals must be properly weighted with sandbags or

other acceptable means to prevent tipping over. **No games will be played without corner flags or secure and stable goals.**

10. Coaches and parents are to be reminded that all garbage is to be removed at the end of a game.
11. For all DHSC Intramural games ages U5 and older, all coaches and players must be on one side of the field while all parents and spectators must be on the opposite side of the field. If this does not happen the referee will not start the game.
12. Children that fall down on the field and are not really hurt should be left in the game. Only the coach and asst coach should come out to deal with a child who has been injured. **NO PARENT SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO COME ONTO THE FIELD!**
13. Any parent or coach who gives the referee any problems should be reported to Howard Levine immediately at 643-3102 or Joe Grasso 242-9894, or to the division commissioner.
14. If for some reason you cannot make a game after you have committed to doing that game you must contact Mr. Levine or Mr. Grasso immediately.
15. If a team does not have the proper amount of players ready at the scheduled time the ref may delay the start of the game for 10 minutes. This time is to be deducted from the total time so the game ends as scheduled.
16. Please call either referee coordinator if you have any questions, are unsure or unclear as to any rules or guidelines, or have any questions about any aspect of your job as a referee. Remember that safety is of the utmost importance.

**Call Mr. Levine 631-643-3102 on Thursdays from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm
if you want to be assigned games on Sunday**

**Call Mr. Grasso 631-242-9894 on Thursdays from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm
if you want to be assigned games on Saturday**

- There is a link to the rules of the game from www.dixhillssoccerclub.com
- This season we are asking that referees call in or e-mail the results of their games. Please also report any problems to either referee coordinator, such as no shows, excessive scores, abusive parents, etc. Referees are encouraged to provide a report of each game, noting such information as location, age group, boys or girls, field conditions, problems, etc. A referee's report stating that everything went well and there were no problems is very useful information to the club. Keep notes for each game, and e-mail to dhscref@gmail.com. Coaches will be asked to submit game evaluation reports that will include comments (both positive and negative) about your performance as a referee.