

REFEREE INSTRUCTION SHEET

1. Referees must receive a match card prior to beginning the game. It is the responsibility of the coach to document all players/team officials sitting out suspensions due to red/yellow cards, team discipline, injuries, etc. Teams must be on opposite sidelines. Spectators must take the same sideline as their respective team.

2. Prior to the start of the game, the referee will collect the game fees from each team. In cases where fewer than three referees show for the assigned game, club linesmen can be assigned by the referee or senior linesperson as required. Game times and fees for the age group are as follows:

NOTE: Referees get paid even if the game is cancelled at the game site.

Each team pays 1/2 the fees. Round up \$1 to even split if desired.

MSPSP (U13 & U14): \$55 (CR) / \$40 (AR) / \$40 (AR) | **\$135** max
35-minute halves

MSPSP (U15 & U16): \$65 (CR) / \$45 (AR) / \$45 (AR) | **\$155** max
40-minute halves

MSPSP (U17, U18, & U19): \$75 (CR) / \$50 (AR) / \$50 (AR) | **\$175** max
45-minute halves

3. After the game, the referee will complete the match card by listing all the yellow and red cards in the proper column after the player or coach name. Proper USSF misconduct codes can be found at the bottom of the game report. Red /yellow cards **MUST** be explained using the SportsForms match reporting system. Referees will take the match card once complete and use it to complete the MSPSP SportsForms match report (online) within 72 hours after the game. Misconduct must be reported immediately!

4. If either team provides a duplicate copy of the game card and requests a version for their own records the referee may transcribe all relevant details to the team copy.

Cancelled Matches:

-If the game is cancelled prior to the start of the match by the facility (park, school, etc.) no referee fees will be collected.

-If the referee deems the field unplayable, both teams will pay the full referee fees.

-If one team does not show for a scheduled match (or not enough players). The referee should check in all players present and submit the game report to MSPSP.

-Referees not paid at the game site due to forfeiture or team(s) not in attendance will be paid by MSPSP, please contact your assignor / MSPSP.