



MSSL Referee Guidelines

1. Game official's fee structures for all league games are: Referee \$80; Assistant Referee \$40. Payment will be accepted in cash or check. Payment must be made based on the number of officials present at the field. Under no circumstances shall payment be made for officials not present at the field.
2. Officials arriving late to the field can begin officiating only after consulting both team managers. Teams will have the right to decline the services for that particular official. If both teams agree to allow the official to work the game then they must pay that official the full amount, the fee cannot be prorated based on arrival time.
3. Games shall begin at the scheduled time. If either of the teams is not ready to play by the scheduled game time, the officials do have the right to leave the field of play after the grace period has been observed and must report this to the league. Officials shall be fully compensated for scheduled game fee.
4. The grace period for the start of a game shall be no longer than 15 minutes from the scheduled start of the game. Reasons for this grace period can vary and include field permit issues, lights, insufficient player's on either team to start (7 player's minimum). All circumstances that may either delay the game or cause it to be cancelled after this grace period must be reported in the official's game report.
5. Team rosters shall be signed by the game official and distributed as follows:
 - a) A copy to be held by the official and must be sent to the League Commissioner attached to the official's game report.
 - b) A copy to be given to opposing team.
 - c) A copy to be given to the team submitting the roster.
6. Game reports must be sent to the League Commissioner no later than the Wednesday following a regularly scheduled Sunday game, or 3 days after the game. Failure to submit game reports and game rosters in a timely fashion will result in a \$10 fine.

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7. Game reports must include scorers names, any known injuries, delayed game start time, detailed explanation of player/manager ejection from the game or field and any infractions resulting in the premature stoppage of game.
8. Referee Assignor (Musanda Lukengu) and Jonathan Beck (Game Director) are the league's representatives. All communication between the referees and the league shall be handled by these individuals.
9. Game official's have the sole authority to determine field conditions. A field must have visible markings and goal posts must have adequate netting. Adverse playing conditions due to inclement weather shall be determined by the game official. If field conditions do not meet the specified criteria the game official maintains the right to not continue the game unless corrective measures are taken with the specified time (see Item 2.) and reported to the league. Officials shall be fully compensated for the scheduled game.
10. Verbal and physical assault on any official shall be immediately reported to the League Commissioner and to the President of the State Association. The game report must describe in detail the incident and all parties involved must be named.
11. Game officials must allow viewing of opposing team's pass cards upon request.
12. Game officials must provide names of all game officials upon request.