



INSTRUCTIONS TO REFEREES

Thank you for accepting assignments to referee in the Indiana Youth Soccer (ISL). As you know, this league features the highest level of youth soccer played in Indiana. The level of competition is comparable to games in the late rounds of the State Cup competition. Games are extremely competitive. Teams are battling for seeding in the State Cup, maintain their standings in their Division or earn promotion from the First Division to the Premier Division.

Teams, coaches and parents expect the very best from referees. Our league strives to provide everyone with the best environment for youth soccer competition. Your acceptance of games in the ISL demonstrates your desire to officiate at the highest levels of youth soccer and we appreciate the hours of dedication you have invested in reaching this level. Good luck with your games. Should you encounter any problems, we want to hear from you (see information below)

Please be sure to be familiar with the following rules of competition:

- Game Ball: Size 5
- Length of Games: Under 13 and 14 – 35 minutes halves; Under 15 and 16 – 40 minute halves; Under 17 and 18 – 45 minute halves
- Substitutions: U13 and Up - Unlimited and may occur at any dead ball
- Prior to the game. teams are to submit an Official ISL Line Up Card to the referee and opposing coach. The manager should have their Indiana Youth Soccer Passes for each player and all bench personnel in case of dispute. Player passes are not to be given to the referee. They are only there as a backup to the lineup card.
- Guest Players are allowed – maximum of seven (7) up to a roster total of twenty-five (25). They will be listed on line-up card if approved
- In the event of Uniform Color conflict, team listed first on the schedule must change uniform color, subject to the Match Referee's decision.
- Fifteen (15) minute grace period for late arrival before game is abandoned.

Game Fees are to be paid to referees prior to start of game. Game Fees are for U13 and U14 - \$30 to Referee and \$25 to each Assistant Referee; U15, U16, U17, U18 - \$40 to Referee and \$30 to each Assistant Referee.

Game Reports are to be filed online through the Referee section at www.indianasoccerleague.org To access the system, please contact the league office for username and password.

Cautions and Send Offs are to be reported immediately following game at www.IndianaSoccerLeague.org (under the "Referees" tab) using the form provided. Referees are also to complete a Referee Report form that is to be filed with the League.

The ISL provides a condensed version of its rules pertaining to game operations. Copies are available from the Site Coordinator or on the league web site.

Should you have any questions, please direct them to the ISL Commissioner, Brian Southern at brian@indianayouthsoccer.org