



AYSO Area 1C Guidelines Section and Area All Stars and Regional Stars

Thank you for volunteering!



1. These Guidelines do not supersede the Area 1C Combined Program Rules and Regulations (“Combined Rules”) available on the Area website at: <https://bit.ly/CombinedRules> and are intended as only a summary of the rules.
2. Any individual acting as a Referee or Assistant Referee is required to be a current registered AYSO volunteer and be current on AYSO Safe Haven, Concussion Awareness, Sudden Cardiac Arrest and SafeSport training on file with AYSO. All adult volunteers are also required to have passed background checks and Live Scan screening.
3. The All Star game schedule will be posted on the Area 1C website (ayso1c.org). The schedule may change, and referees must regularly check for changes.
 - **First game of the day on every field:** For all divisions, the Host Region (typically, the region where the field is located) shall assign a full three-person referee team. These spots are intended for at-large qualifying referees.
 - **All other games:**
 - i. **Section and Area All-Stars:** The Host Region will assign the Referee. These are intended for at-large qualifying referees. The teams playing in the immediately prior match shall each provide a Team Referee to serve as the Assistant Referees for the game following the game their team is playing.
 - ii. **Regional Stars:** For all Regional Stars games that follow a Regional Stars game, the Home Team shall furnish two Team Referees and the Away Team shall furnish one Team Referee for the game following the game their team is playing. One of the Home Team’s Team Referees shall be the Referee, unless the Team Referees decide together that one of the others will act as Referee. If there is no game following the game that a Team Referee’s team is playing, the Team Referee will have no assignment that day (but may sign up for at-large assignments).

Pre-game Guidelines

4. BE ON TIME! Less than 10 minutes before game time is a Missed Assignment. If you are coaching the prior game, have someone inform the refs that you will be joining them soon.
5. The team listed first on the schedule is the home team, regardless of the “Host”. The home team shall occupy the north or west side of the field, while the visiting team occupies the south or east side of the field. Referees may make exceptions to this but must report the exception on the Lineup Cards along with the reason. Coach request is not a valid reason.
6. Spectators should occupy the same side of the field as the players, between the Penalty Areas and at least 10 feet behind the touchline. Certain fields do not have seating or space to accommodate this guideline, so Referees must use best judgment in enforcing this. If bleachers or grandstands are available, they must be used. No one should be behind the goal line.
7. Home teams must have alternate jerseys or vests available in the event of a uniform conflict. Home team provides two balls while visitors provide one.
8. Each team shall present a completed Lineup Card on cardstock using the Area’s template with every team member’s full name, listed in jersey number order.

9. Each team shall present ID cards for the coach, assistant coach, and every player and substitute. ID cards must be laminated, with a current, age-appropriate photograph attached. No compliant Picture ID card means no participation (player or coach). The sole exception is if you hear from either Rolando Morales, the Area Director, or Craig Dunkin, the All Stars Program Coordinator.
10. The Referee Team shall retain all Photo ID cards until the conclusion of the game.
11. 10-minute grace period is for getting the minimum number of players present. Start the game as soon as the minimum numbers are on the field, ready to play.
12. If a game cannot be played due to insufficient players, lack of IDs, lack of Authorized coach, etc., inform both coaches. In such a case, the entire Referee Team shall leave the field. Referees are not authorized to referee a game likely to be a forfeit. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Game Conduct

13. IFAB/FIFA rules apply. 3-person Referee Team --- NO EXCEPTIONS.
14. Normal substitution is on the quarters with running clock. Substitutes going in should be ready before the whistle. Best way is to have all players and substitutes who will be out for the next quarter (including any that were also out for the preceding quarter) come to the touchline and face the field. The AR then walks behind and notes the numbers on the Lineup card. Injury substitutions can occur at any time. These are not coaching opportunities.
15. For all Section and Area All Stars, every player should play no less than 2 quarters. For all Regional Stars, every player should play no less than 3 quarters. No reduction of this requirement is allowed for players who arrive late. Report discrepancies on the Lineup Card and be proactive by letting the coach know if you detect any play time issues. Do not stop the game or declare a forfeit. Merely report the issue on the card, and let the Area handle it.
16. If a Head coach or Assistant Coach is expelled during the game, the game is terminated immediately ---NO EXCEPTIONS. The Referee should call Larry Abelson (310-920-4765; if no answer, please text) as soon as possible to report the incident.

Post-game Guidelines

17. Conduct a post-game handshake. If coaches ask to skip the handshake out of concern for potential incidents between the teams, the referee should honor that request.
18. Retain the ID card of any expelled coach or assistant coach and any sent off player or substitute and send it All Stars Program Coordinator Craig Dunkin, 2434 Frances Avenue, La Crescenta, CA 91214 within 24 hours of the match. Make sure all remaining Photo ID cards are returned.
19. Fill out the Lineup Cards completely, including the final score, the printed names of all referees, and any ID card issues or referee absences. Within 24 hours of the match, use <https://forms.gle/so3k11TSuvZz3XWs6> or the QR code at top of these Guidelines to submit match information and lineup cards. This will include any player or substitute caution or send-off, coach or assistant coach send off or caution, and spectator misbehavior. You will also be asked to upload pictures of both sides of both cards (even if blank). One picture will be of the front of one card and the back of the other. Picture 2 will be the opposite. ARs should take pictures as backup. Referees retain the lineup cards for the duration of the season (mid-March). Failure to timely submit may result in a Missed Assignment.
20. Referee Abuse: please download and complete the [AYSO Match Report form](https://www.aysolref.com/referee-report) (<https://www.aysolref.com/referee-report>), save and email to refabuse@aysolc.org.
21. Serious Injuries, that is, any head injury or injury which prevents the player from returning to play: please download and complete the [AYSO Incident Report Form](https://www.aysolref.com/lib1/Incident_Report_Form_with_Instr_rev09102021.pdf) (https://www.aysolref.com/lib1/Incident_Report_Form_with_Instr_rev09102021.pdf), save and email to the [Area 1C CVPA](mailto:scott.nord@aysolc.org) (scott.nord@aysolc.org).