



AREA 1D BEACH CITIES  
CO-PLAY WITH AREAS 1F AND 1P  
RULES & REGULATIONS  
16U-19U  
INTER-REGION PLAY

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# AYSO AREA 1-D BEACH CITIES

## RULES & REGULATIONS

### 16U-19U INTER-REGION PLAY

#### 1. SCOPE

These rules shall apply when two (2) or more 16-and-Under and/or 19-and-Under teams (regardless of Region) play a combined schedule coordinated by AYSO Area 1-D Beach Cities. The Area 1-D Beach Cities Rules & Regulations are intended to cover those situations not addressed in AYSO National Rules and Regulations or Section One Rules and Regulations. The Area Director, whose decision shall be final, shall arbitrate any discrepancies between these documents.

#### 2. COORDINATION

The Area Director shall appoint an Area 16U-19U Program Director who shall coordinate inter-region play. The Area 16U-19U Program Director is responsible for the operation of the Program as assigned by the Area Director.

The Area Director shall appoint an Area 16U-19U Scheduler who shall be solely responsible for the scheduling of matches.

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY

Each Regional Commissioner is responsible for ensuring that all participating coaches from their Region are in good standing with the Region, and the eligibility of players from their Region. All participants must be properly registered with AYSO.

#### 4. COACHES

All coaches and assistant coaches coaching in the 16U-19U divisions shall be registered as an AYSO volunteer for the applicable membership year and be Safe Haven, Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA), and CDC Concussion Awareness trained. Additionally, LiveScan fingerprinting, a current Sterling background check, and current SafeSport training are required.

All coaches and assistant coaches coaching in the 16U-19U divisions shall be required to hold at a minimum an AYSO Advanced Coach Certification. The only exception will be for a coach having a similar non-AYSO certification approved in writing by the Program Director AND an AYSO Intermediate Coach Certification. The latter circumstance will only be approved if a coach is ineligible to take the Advanced Coach Course due to not having the prerequisites in time.

Once the Program Director has verified coach certification, the volunteer shall be issued an Area 1D Authorized Coach card **which is non-transferable**. An example of an Area 1D Authorized Coach card is illustrated in Appendix C. The Authorized Coach card shall be openly displayed on a lanyard worn around the volunteer's neck throughout each scheduled match, including during pre-game team check-in. Beginning with the second weekend of a season's scheduled matches, failure of the coach to openly display his/her Authorized Coach card throughout each scheduled match shall result in the loss of sportsmanship points in the appropriate category.

A team playing all or part of a match without an Authorized Coach (in a situation where the coaches have been suspended or are absent, the Regional Commissioner or Regional Commissioner's designee with the Regional Commissioner's written authorization may serve as acting coach) shall forfeit the match and receive no sportsmanship points. In such cases, the non-offending team shall be awarded a winning score of 1:0 and 23 sportsmanship points.

If there is no coach, there is no match. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

A blank Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Program Coach Application is found in Appendix B.

## 5. TEAM ROSTER

**A Team Roster, shall be required for the Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Program.** The Team Roster **must contain assigned jersey numbers, be sorted in jersey order, and** shall be submitted to the Area 16U-19U Program Director **on the Friday prior** to the first match of the season.

(Note: due to any SportsConnect system issues, the Program Director may grant certain exceptions to this initial deadline.) Teams without a Team Roster **containing jersey numbers** in the hands of the Area 16U-19U Program Director are not permitted on the playing field and scheduled matches, **whether played or not**, shall result in a match forfeit and forfeiture of sportsmanship points. In such case, the non-offending team shall be awarded a winning score of 1:0 and 23 sportsmanship points.

**NOTE:** All **FINAL** roster changes must be approved by the appropriate Regional Commissioner/designee, received by the Area 16U-19U Program Director no later than October 1<sup>st</sup>, and must be from the Association Platform of SportsConnect as of that date.

As used throughout these Rules & Regulations the term "team member" refers to all those listed on the Team Roster, including coaches.

## 6. REGISTRATION FORMS

The coach or acting coach is required to have player registration forms at all matches and practices. These must be SportsConnect e-signed forms, and electronic forms readily available on a phone are acceptable.

## 7. PICTURE IDENTIFICATION (ID) CARD

Each team member, players and coaches, must have a current AYSO issued Picture ID Card. The player Picture ID Card shall include the player's or coach's name, Region, date of birth,

registration number, year of issue, and recent picture. **Picture ID cards shall be laminated or plastic. The uniform number should be written with a Sharpie in large print on an outer corner of the laminated card.** Failure to submit to the Referee a current Picture ID Card prior to the start of the match or before a player enters the match shall deem the team member (coach or player) ineligible to participate in the match.

The coach shall submit current Picture ID Cards of all team members present at a match **held together in uniform number order by a loop ring** (along with a completed Line-up Card) to a member of the Referee team at check-in time. The Referee shall retain possession of the Picture ID Cards until the conclusion of the match. **A team member who does not submit a current Picture ID card shall not participate in the match. NO EXCEPTIONS!**

If both the coach and the assistant coach are suspended or absent, then **only** the Regional Commissioner or the Regional Commissioner's designee (an Advanced Coach with the Regional Commissioner's *written authorization*) is authorized to be the team's acting coach. A Picture ID Card is not required for the acting coach if this situation arises.

## 8. RETRIEVAL OF PICTURE IDENTIFICATION CARDS

At the conclusion of the match, the coach shall retrieve the team's Picture ID Cards from the Referee, **except** for Picture ID Card(s) retained by the Referee for any team member who is Sent Off or expelled. The retained Picture ID Card(s), along with an AYSO Referee Report and the Line-up Cards, shall be forwarded by the Referee to the AYSO Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Program Director, copying the Area 1-D Referee Administrator, **within 48 hours of the match's completion.**

The Regional Commissioner, Regional 16U-19U Program Director or Coach of Record may personally retrieve Picture ID Cards from the AYSO Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Program Director. Upon request by one of the individuals listed above, the Picture ID Card can be mailed to the requesting individual. **Picture ID Cards shall not be issued back to anyone else.**

If the suspension runs through an entire weekend, then retrieval of the Picture ID Card shall take place the following week. If the suspension runs through Saturday and the team member is eligible to participate on Sunday, then the Picture ID Card shall be available Saturday after the last match of the day. Coordination with the AYSO Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Program Director's schedule is highly recommended when retrieving the Picture ID Card.

## 9. PLAYER REPRESENTATION

Each team may elect a Player Representative who may do any of the following: (i) attend the pre-season Coach meeting, (ii) serve as a permanent captain of the team (coaches may select other members of the team to serve as captain for a particular match), (iii) support the monitoring of free substitution and the ½ match play rule, (iv) serve as a source of information, (v) direct reports concerning the Referee Team to the AYSO Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Program Director and the Area Referee Administrator, and (vi) serve as a liaison between the coaches and players.

## 10. ROLE OF THE TEAM CAPTAIN

Area 1-D Beach Cities has adopted the USSF definition of “Team Captain” and hereby incorporates the definition into these Rules & Regulations.

The Team Captain of a team has no special status or privileges under the Laws of the Game (LOTG), but he/she has a degree of responsibility for the behavior of his/her team. The role of the Team Captain is not defined in the Laws of the Game. He/she usually wears an armband designating him/her as “Captain”. The Team Captain is responsible to the Referee for his/her team, but has no special rights or privileges. By practice and tradition, certain duties fall upon the Team Captain:

- To see that the Referee’s decisions are respected by the Team Captain’s teammates and by the team officials;
- To counsel a teammate who may be reluctant to leave the field of play at a substitution—but neither the Team Captain nor the Referee may insist that the player leave;
- To represent his or her team at the coin toss at the start of the match and, if applicable, before a Penalty Shoot-Out;
- To be the team representative to whom the Referee must go to obtain the name or names of team members who must be withdrawn from participating in a Penalty Shoot-Out in order to match the size of the opposing team (which has fewer players on the field as a result of injury or misconduct).

## 11. PROPER DRESS

Players are required to wear the AYSO uniform as issued by the Region in which they are registered. Each player must have their number on the front and back of the jersey. Additionally, each player’s socks shall be of the same color and, with the exception of the goalkeeper, match the socks of the other team members. Player names are not to be added to the jerseys. Each goalkeeper wears jersey colors which distinguish him/her from the other players (both teams), the Referee, and the Assistant Referees.

During inclement weather, the following additional guidelines shall be observed:

- Players may wear sweatshirts, sweat pants, and/or similar garments. Other than the team uniform, it is not required that all team members wear similar garments.
- Sweatshirts, when worn, shall be worn under the team jersey. Hoods on hooded style shirts must be tucked in the jersey, not outside or on the head.
- Sweat pants, when worn, shall be worn under the team shorts.

## 12. COMPETITION

All matches shall be conducted in accordance with the current FIFA Laws of the Game (LOTG) and decisions of the International Football Association Board in effect on June 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year, as modified by any exceptions detailed in the AYSO National Rules and Regulations, Section One Rules and Regulations, and applicable Area 1-D Beach Cities Rules & Regulations.

**NOTE: All matches shall be played as scheduled by the Area 1-D 16U-19U Scheduler—NO EXCEPTIONS. If, for any reason, a match is played at a time or place not scheduled by the Area Scheduler, it shall be recorded as a forfeit by both teams and will not be rescheduled.**

If, for any reason, a scheduled match is not completed, the Program Director shall decide the standing of the match depending upon the reason for the match abandonment or termination. The Program Director may reschedule the match, order the match to stand as played, or order other actions depending upon the circumstances.

### 13. HOME TEAM

The team listed first on the schedule is designated the **Home Team**, which shall be responsible for supplying three (3) match balls to the Referee team and adjusting their jersey colors in the event of a uniform color conflict (see Section 19 below).

Unless directed otherwise by the Referee, the **Home Team**, including home team officials and team supporters/spectators, shall occupy the side of the field listed below; the opposing team and their team supporters/spectators shall occupy the opposite side of the field.

Nielsen, Rotary Field, (Westchester) – West  
Adams (North Redondo) – South  
Marine (Manhattan Beach) – East  
Village (Manhattan Beach) – West  
Anza (Hawthorne) – East  
Parras (South Redondo) – West  
Campus El Segundo – Middle of the Complex  
Columbia Park – West or South  
Beverly Hills HS – West  
Culver City HS Field 3 – West  
University High School – West  
Kenneth Hahn South Field - North

### 14. LINE-UP CARDS

A properly completed Line-up Card and the Picture ID Cards shall be submitted to a representative of the Referee team at check-in time. The line-up card shall include the names and uniform numbers of all players, present or not, including an indication for any player ineligible due to suspension. The list of Players shall be in uniform number order. Line-up Cards shall be retained by the Referee and submitted to the AYSO Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Statistician. **Both coaches or their designees shall email match results to the AYSO Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Statistician within 48 hours after the completion of the match.**

Area 1-D Beach Cities teams shall **only use the Area 1-D yellow-colored Line-up Cards** available through their Regional Commissioner. The use of a different colored Line-up Card shall result in the loss of sportsmanship points as determined by the Program Director. An example of a properly completed line-up card is shown in Appendix G.

## 15. FIELD RESPONSIBILITY

Both teams shall be equally responsible for set up of the field if the teams are participating in the first match of the day. The host Region shall supply field equipment. In the event of a late start due to team(s) not accomplishing field set up, the Referee shall equally shorten both halves of the match to ensure completion of the match within the scheduled time. In all cases, the match shall end no later than five minutes prior to the start of the next scheduled match.

If the match is the last of the day, field take down is the equal responsibility of both teams. Failure to take down and store equipment as required may result in a forfeiture and loss of sportsmanship points as determined by the Program Director.

Each team is responsible for the clean-up of the side of the field they occupy during the course of the match. Failure to clean-up area shall result in a loss of sportsmanship points as determined by the Referees.

## 16. SCHEDULED MATCH

### **NOTE: COACHES MAY NOT CANCEL OR RESCHEDULE MATCHES.**

Failure of a team to play a scheduled match shall result in a forfeit. The non-offending team shall be awarded a winning score of 1:0 and 23 sportsmanship points and the offending team will receive 0 sportsmanship points. Coaches may avoid the loss of sportsmanship points by presenting a written excuse for such failure to the Area Director or 16U-19U Program Director at least 48 hours in advance of the scheduled match. The Area Director or Program Director shall have the discretion to reschedule the match. If the match is not rescheduled, the non-offending team shall be awarded a winning score of 1:0 and both teams shall be awarded 23 sportsmanship points. Matches not played due to mutual forfeits shall result in 0 standings points being awarded for the match. If the Area Director or 16U-19U Program Director was notified of the mutual forfeit at least 48 hours in advance, the teams will be awarded 23 sportsmanship points. If not, the teams will be awarded 0 sportsmanship points.

A grace period of fifteen (15) minutes after the scheduled beginning time shall be allowed prior to declaring a forfeit. As stated above, the total duration of the match shall be reduced by the delayed start of the game (equal reductions in both halves) if needed to finish the match at least 5 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the next match.

Matches not played due to weather, field space, or other acceptable causes may be re-scheduled by the Program Director and Scheduler only in coordination with the Regional Commissioners and the Area 1-D Referee Administrator for the earliest date available. Matches not rescheduled shall not be counted in the standings.

## 17. DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Though not required, it is strongly recommended that the coach or acting coach **substitute any player receiving a Caution**. The Referee shall allow such substitution.

Any team member Sent Off or expelled, including a Send Off for receiving a second Caution in the same match, shall be disciplined as described in Table 17-1.



**Table 17–1**

<b>Offense</b>	<b>Suspended from Current Match</b>	<b>Matches Suspended</b>	<b>Eligible for Post-Season Play</b>
Spitting at an opposing player, coach or Referee, or Violent Conduct (during the match)	Yes	<b>2 (In addition to the current match)</b>	No
Serious Foul Play	Yes	<b>2 (In addition to the current match)</b>	No
Offensive or Insulting or Abusive Language and/or Gestures (during the match)	Yes	<b>2* (In addition to the current match)</b>	No
Spitting at an opposing player, coach or Referee or Violent Conduct (before or after the match)	Yes	3	No
Offensive or Insulting or Abusive Language and/or Gestures (before or after the match)	Yes	3*	No
Send-Off for any reason not listed above	Yes	<b>1 (In addition to the current match)</b>	Yes
<p>* The coach may petition the Program Director and the Area 1-D Referee Administrator to review the Referee's or a witnessing Area 1-D Beach Cities Board Member's report (which should identify the words and/or gestures used, and to whom the misconduct was directed). If a unanimous finding is made that the misconduct was self-directed or otherwise without malice, the team member's suspension shall be for only one additional match and such player is eligible for Post-Season Play.</p>			

A coach who withdraws his team from a match in progress shall be suspended for the **next two (2) scheduled matches**. A coach who falls under this category shall **not be eligible** to participate, or continue to participate, in **Area 1-D 16U-19U Post-Season Play**.

Any team member consistently exhibiting a disregard for the Laws of the Game by accumulating four Cautions during League play (including, if applicable, **Area 1-D 16U-19U Post-Season Play**) shall be suspended from all participation in the next scheduled match following notification to the Coach by the Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Program Director.

Area 1-D Beach Cities Board Members and Regional Commissioners have the authority to act as they deem necessary to forestall or diffuse potentially difficult situations at matches.

**Suspensions shall be served in the next scheduled match(es)** for the team that they received the suspension with including, if applicable, **Area 1-D 16U-19U Post-Season Play**. In the case of a coach suspension, the coach will serve the game suspension with the team where

he/she received the Send Off. All disciplinary suspensions are in full-force and effect until fully served. The suspension could thus require a carry-over to the following season (e.g., a suspension received in the 2023 Fall season could be enforced in the 2024 Spring Season, 2024 Tournaments, or the 2024 Fall Season, and a prior suspension may be enforced at the start of the 2023 Fall season).

It shall be the responsibility of the coach or acting coach to ensure that any suspension is served regardless of whether the Referee returns the Picture ID Card, or fails to note it on the line-up card. A coach violating this provision shall be suspended for the **next scheduled match**.

**A suspended coach may not interact with any team member, opposing team member, or Referee from 30 minutes prior to match start time until 30 minutes after the conclusion of the match.** Violation of this provision subjects the coach to an additional period of suspension and the team may be subject to forfeiture of the match, as determined by the Program Director.

The Area Director or Program Director may take additional supplemental disciplinary action based on the circumstances of the situation involved and the severity of the offence.

Additionally, the Area Director or Program Director may take action against any Coach who runs up a score against their team's opponents' multiple times. If a coach fails to make appropriate correction after a warning, other disciplinary action, including possible suspension, may result.

**NOTE:** Area 1-D Beach Cities Board Members are encouraged to submit their own written report of any serious misconduct they directly observe during a match or off the field of play.

## 18. PLAYER SUBSTITUTION

The Referee must be informed *before* any proposed substitution is made.

Unlimited substitution by either team may be made, with the consent of the Referee, at any stoppage in play.

Substitution shall be made at midfield within ten (10) yards of the halfway line; however, once identified, a player should leave the field at any touch or goal line if significantly nearer to him/her. The substitute shall not enter the field until the player being replaced has left the field, and/or a signal has been received from the Referee to enter the field.

Coaches **MUST** ensure that every player plays a minimum of one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the match (from the time the player arrives at a match). To validate such and assist them in their substitution process, they are required to have a responsible parent or other non-Coach adult on their sideline record all substitutions on a Time Monitoring Sheet. See Appendix F for the example sheet and process requirements of such. The time monitoring sheet shall be submitted to the Referee after each match. If the coach fails to comply with this directive, then disciplinary action by the Program Director shall result (e.g., removal as coach).

At the discretion of the Referee, time may be added for excessive substitutions during the latter part of the match.

## 19. UNIFORM COLOR CONFLICTS

Each Region has established its own “primary colors” as listed in the **Area 1-D Guidelines** (available on the [Area 1-D Website](#)). While avoiding color conflicts, Regions shall choose uniforms featuring their primary colors. Other uniform primary colors chosen shall differ substantially from the primary colors of all other Area 1-D Beach Cities Regions.

The Referee is solely responsible for determining if uniform color conflicts would hinder fair play, including the referee team’s ability to distinguish each team during active play. The Referee should allow considerable latitude and only in impossible situations should change be necessary. In such event, the Home Team shall change jerseys to a non-conflicting color. Overlays (pinnies) are permissible. It is recommended that substitute players wear pennies over their jersey while sitting on their team’s bench or warming up. This will help the Referee team know which members of the team are active players or substitutes.

## 20. OFFICIATING

The Area 1-D Referee Administrator shall assign matches to each Region at his/her discretion. The Regional Referee Administrator or designee shall furnish a Referee and two (2) Assistant Referees for each match. All Referees shall be qualified for the match assigned, be registered as an AYSO volunteer for the applicable membership year, have completed the required certifications (i.e., Safe Haven, Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA), Concussion Awareness, LiveScan and SafeSport), and be in an approved AYSO standard uniform.

The Diagonal System of Control (three (3) Referee system) shall be employed in all matches **without exception**. Should one (1) Referee fail to appear or be unable to continue, a non-certified club linesperson shall be appointed by the Referee. Should two Referees fail to appear or be unable to continue, the Referee shall appoint two (2) club linespersons. In no event shall the two-person/whistle system (sometimes referred to as “the dual system”) be used in any AYSO Area 1-D Beach Cities match. Non-certified club linespersons may only indicate whether a ball is in-play or out-of-play (i.e., fully crosses the touch-line). Club linespersons shall not call fouls, off-side or any other offenses.

During Area 1-D 16U-19U Post-Season Play, if the Referees are not on the field five (5) minutes prior to the scheduled beginning time of the match, the teams shall immediately notify the Area 1-D Referee Administrator. For all other situations, a current and properly certified AYSO Referee may be appointed with the mutual agreement of both coaches. Participation in the match by a team which provided their consent to the appointed AYSO Referee shall constitute unconditional acceptance of the appointed Referee. In any case, failure to start the match within fifteen (15) minutes of the scheduled time shall require a re-scheduling or cancellation of that match.

The Referees shall conduct an equipment, safety and Picture ID check of all players prior to the match. Team members not in possession of a current, laminated or plastic, AYSO-issued Picture ID Card shall not be allowed to participate in the match. Safety is a primary concern: The Referee shall not allow a player to participate in the match who uses equipment or wears anything which is dangerous to him/her self or another player (including any kind of jewelry or brace). Duplicate Picture ID Cards shall be retained by the Referee and forwarded to the AYSO Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Program Director. A determination of unsafe equipment by a

player is the sole responsibility of the Referee. Hard-casts are not permitted to be worn by any AYSO Players, even when covered by padding.

A player under 18 years of age who has been Sent-Off shall not be required to leave the vicinity of the field of play. The coach or acting coach shall ensure that a player who has been Sent-Off participates no further in the match, whether by word or action, including the post-game handshake. If they fail to do so, the Referee may warn or Caution, and ultimately expel the coach or acting Coach for irresponsible behavior (i.e., failing to control his/her team's behavior), and may terminate the match, if necessary (including due to the team's lack of an approved Assistant Coach following expulsion of the Coach). (It is recommended that a youth player leave the vicinity *if his/her parent is available to escort him/her.*)

A coach, assistant coach, acting coach, or adult player (i.e., at least 18 years of age) who has been expelled must leave the vicinity of the field of play ("sight and sound," generally 100 yards), as determined by the Referee. The Referee shall not allow a match to start or continue without a team's properly credentialed coach, assistant coach, or acting coach in attendance.

The Referee shall be the sole judge on the field of play and his/her decisions are final.

The Referee may suspend or terminate the match. If the match is terminated, the Program Director shall determine the outcome of the match, whether as a forfeit by one or both teams, or otherwise.

The Referee shall report on the Line-up Card instances of Cautionable misconduct on the part of team members or spectators that he/she determines to be adverse to the conduct of the match. Sufficient detail shall be included to allow appropriate follow-up. For all Send-Offs, expulsions, or other serious misconduct, the Referee shall submit a report to the AYSO Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Program Director and Area 1-D Referee Administrator using the official Area 1-D Beach Cities Referee Report form. This form is available on the Area 1-D Website at <https://www.ayso1d.org/Default.aspx?tabid=947383>. A printable version is found in Appendix D. In the case of offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures, the Referee shall identify the actual words and/or gestures used, and to whom the misconduct was directed.

The Referee shall, within forty-eight (48) hours of the end of the match, forward (1) Picture ID Cards of team members who were Sent-Off or expelled before, during or after the match, (2) Line-up Cards, and (3) any supplemental report, to the AYSO Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Program Director. A copy of the Referee Report shall also be sent to the Area 1-D Referee Administrator. [Note: It is recommended that the Referee consult with the Area 1-D Referee Administrator *before* submitting a final version of the Referee Report should the Referee be unaccustomed to this process or have any questions regarding the language or content of the Referee Report.] Address correspondence to the AYSO Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U Program Director and/or Area 1-D Referee Administrator whose mailing addresses, e-mail addresses and phone numbers are below.

Any complaint regarding officiating shall be made using the REFEREE QUALITY CONTROL & FEEDBACK procedures (see Section 21 below) and forwarded to the Area 1-D Referee Administrator, with a copy to the Program Director.

## 21. REFEREE QUALITY CONTROL & FEEDBACK

The AYSO Area 1-D Referee Staff is committed to supporting AYSO's volunteer Referees, and providing the players in the Area 1-D with well-trained and experienced Referees. In order to maintain the highest quality of refereeing, the following quality control and feedback procedures shall be used. This program shall be administered by the Area 1-D Referee Administrator.

This program has two principal goals: the first is to provide a means by which Regions can preempt or minimize dissent by coaches and parents/spectators during matches. This is an especially important part of the attempt to retain Referees, as sideline abuse is a primary reason for Referees leaving the program. The second goal is to provide a method of receiving and processing feedback from coaches and/or parents/spectators on their perceptions of any particular Referee's performance via the Referee Feedback Form for potential mentoring, observation or other actions concerning the applicable referee.

### Referee Quality Control and Feedback Policies and Procedures:

An online Referee Feedback Form has been developed for use in this program. The form is available at <https://www.ayso1d.org/Default.aspx?tabid=947383> and in Appendix E.

All Referee Feedback Forms and any corrective actions taken, such as Referee mentoring, assessments, or action by Area 1-D Referee Administrator, shall be closely monitored and kept confidential. The Area 1-D Referee Administrator or his/her designee shall administer and monitor this program.

## 22. PROTESTS

All Referee decisions on the field of play are final and are not grounds for protest.

## 23. SANCTIONS

If a team plays a match using a suspended or other ineligible player - ***e.g., a player who is not listed on the roster received by the Area 1-D 16U-19U Program Director or a player who does not have a valid Picture ID card*** - the match shall be deemed a forfeit and the rules in Section 16 regarding penalties for forfeit shall apply.

## 24. TEAM STANDINGS AND TIE-BREAKERS

16U-19U team standings shall be determined by a point system in which each game earns a maximum of 3 standings points as follows:

- 3 standings points are awarded for a win
- 1 standings points are awarded for a tie

Teams may also have standings points deducted due to disciplinary issues. To facilitate this, a tally of disciplinary points will be kept for each team with one disciplinary point accumulated for each caution (yellow card) and two disciplinary points accumulated for each DOGSO red card to a player, substitute, coach, or spectator. No disciplinary points will be accumulated for any

other red cards, as those will have standings points deducted directly as shown below. Disciplinary points and other deductions shall be factored into standings points as follows:

1 standings point is deducted for each red card given to a player or substitute for any of the following actions:

- violent conduct
- bites or spits at someone
- offensive, insulting, or abusive language or gestures
- serious foul play

1 standings point is deducted each time a team reaches a Disciplinary Point threshold divisible by 6 (e.g., 6, 12, 18, etc.)

1 standings point will be awarded for the rostered head coach OR assistant coach attending the preseason coaches' meeting

The final standings will be determined by dividing each team's total standings points by the number of games played. In the event of a tie, the following tie-breaking rules shall be used in the order presented below:

- Sportsmanship Points: The team with the highest average sportsmanship points for all matches played or forfeited shall be ahead in the standings. If the difference in average sportsmanship points for the teams is less than 0.5 points per game, the next tie-breaking criteria shall be used.
- Head-to-Head Play: The team earning the most standings points in head-to-head play shall be ahead in the standings. Deductions due to disciplinary issues shall not be factored into the standings' points used for this tie-breaker.
- Most Wins: The team winning the higher percentage of their games shall be ahead in the standings.
- Least Goals Allowed: The team having the lowest average goals allowed per game shall be ahead in the standings.
- Coin Toss: The team winning a coin toss shall be ahead in the standings.

## 25. EXTRA-TIME PROCEDURE

During the regular season, matches can end in ties. Extra-Time periods shall not be used.

During the Area 1-D Post-Season Play, the following procedures shall be used:

Extra-Time must be played as the result of a draw (tie) at the end of normal playing time, except in Consolation matches. Extra-Time shall always consist of two (2) periods of 10 minutes each, with an interval of five (5) minutes at the end of normal playing time before the start of Extra-Time, but not between the two (2) periods of Extra-Time.

The team that scores more goals at the conclusion of the second Extra-Time period shall be declared the winner.

Free substitution (see Section 18) is permitted during Extra-Time as the Referee permits (1/2 play is not required during Extra-Time). If a team is playing short because of a Send Off, it shall continue to play short during any Extra-Time.

If Extra-Time does not produce a winner (i.e., the match is still a draw at the conclusion of the second Extra-Time period) or immediately upon the completion of normal playing time in a Consolation match, a Penalty Shoot-Out, in accordance with the procedures set by the International Football Association Board and published by FIFA, shall be conducted to determine the winner.

## 26. SPORTSMANSHIP POINTS

In order to establish consistency in awarding Sportsmanship Points, Referees shall utilize the following set of guidelines. Each team displays Sportsmanship in five categories:

- Conduct of players
- Conduct of coaches
- Conduct of spectators
- Uniforms
- Courtesy toward Referees.

The Referee team at a match monitors the conduct of team members and spectators before, during, and after the match. At the conclusion of the match, the Referee team shall collaborate to assess each team for the purpose of awarding Sportsmanship Points. The Referee team shall list the points on the back of each Line-up Card. **All teams begin with the maximum of five (5) points in each category, except in the Uniform category where the maximum is three (3) points.** The maximum number of points possible for one match is 23 points. In each category, each team must be awarded the maximum for the category **UNLESS** a team's conduct warrants reductions as listed below.

**NOTE:** Referee decisions regarding deductions or awarding of sportsmanship points are final and are not grounds for protest.

The Area Director, Program Director or his/her designee(s), may attach information to the card to reduce the points awarded when they have direct knowledge of conduct that violates AYSO National Rules and Regulations, Section One Rules and Regulations, and/or Area 1-D Beach Cities Rules and Regulations. The Program Director or his/her designee(s) records Sportsmanship Points over the duration of the season.

The Criteria for Reductions of Sportsmanship Points shall be as follows:

**Five (5) points** shall be **lost** from the respective Conduct categories: when a team member or spectator is Sent Off or expelled; when offensive or insulting or abusive language and/or gesture is used towards another player, Referee or anyone else.

**One (1) point** shall be **lost** from the respective Conduct categories for each observation: when a team member is Cautioned, or spectator is warned; when trash is left behind by a team after the match, and other unsporting behavior.

**One (1) point** shall be **lost** from the Coach Conduct category for each observation: when a coach fails to openly display their Authorized Coach card throughout the match; when the Line-up Card is improperly filled out and presented to the Referee in a timely manner before the match; when an assistant coach is listed on the Line-up Card who has failed to complete a Coach Application or is not listed on the Team Roster; when a coach fails to direct his team to avoid excessively running up the score, thereby causing insult/embarrassment to the other team.

**Maximum (3) points** shall be **lost** when a coach persistently is outside of the Technical Area, whether marked or unmarked.

**One (1) point** shall be **lost** from the Uniform category for each observation: when any player is not properly attired in a regulation AYSO uniform which is consistent with the colors of his/her team.

**One (1) point** shall be **lost** from the Spectator Conduct category for each observation: when spectators express repeated disagreement toward members of the Referee team; when spectators continue to interfere with Assistant Referee(s) after being requested to move; when spectators intentionally decline not to move to their designated side of the field or move to the opponents side of the field during the match; when spectators violate local field rules, i.e., having food/beverages or chairs which are not allowed on artificial turf. (Note: Regional Board Members may, without warning, eject spectators who do not follow posted field rules. If such spectator refuses to leave, the Referee may be asked to suspend or terminate the game to obtain compliance.)

**One (1) point** shall be **lost** from the Courtesy Towards Referees category for each observation: repeated disagreement by players, coaches or spectators; continual interference with Assistant Referee(s) after being requested to move; unwarranted delay in beginning the match or second half after Referee's whistle.

**One (1) point** may be **regained** for any one-point deduction when the Referee team notices before, during or after a match, a particular action by team members or spectators that is exemplary of AYSO standards of good sportsmanship. Referees shall attempt to note such action on the Line-up Card.

Other examples regarding awarding and deducting of sportsmanship points are discussed throughout this document.

If a Referee deducts more than two (2) points from any one category, the Referee must include an explanation of the deductions on the Line-up card. If no explanation is provided by the Referee, the Area 1-D Statistician may reduce the number of points deducted to two (2) points.

## 27. PLAYOFFS

Immediately following the regular Fall season, a single elimination tournament shall be held to determine the Champions in the Boys' and Girls' 16U and 19U divisions. The top four to eight Area D teams in each division shall be placed in the tournament schedule according to the points earned over the current season. The order shall follow a typical play-off system: 1 vs. 4 and 2 vs. 3. In the event that a team in contention for the playoffs has not played all of their scheduled matches (e.g., inclement weather, no Referees, etc.), every attempt shall be made to reschedule the match. The winner of the playoffs in each Boys and Girls 16U and 19U division shall be



declared Area 1-D Champions and shall represent Area 1-D in the Section One 16U-19U Play-Offs. If a Section wild card in the division is available, the second-place team may advance, as well.

## 28. DISPUTE RESOLUTION & REVIEW PROCEEDINGS PROCEDURES

These Rules & Regulations (especially Section 17) detail the various disciplinary actions that may be taken by the Area Director or Program Director when team members behave inappropriately during the Area 1-D Beach Cities 16U-19U program. It is not the Area's intent to be unduly harsh, unfair, arbitrary or capricious. It is the Area's intent to send a message to all of its participants that it **shall not tolerate misconduct, especially violent conduct, serious foul play; spitting at an opponent, coach or Referee; or offensive or insulting or abusive language and/or gestures.** It is the responsibility of each team member in Area 1-D Beach Cities to familiarize themselves with these Rules & Regulations.

A procedure exists to ensure that disciplinary decisions of the Area remain fair and that persons involved with the procedure are disinterested parties. This is known as the Area Review Proceedings Procedure.

Yellow and Red cards, i.e., Cautions and Send Offs/expulsions, issued to team members, team officials or spectators can be viewed on the Area 1-D 16U-19U Program page of the [Area 1-D Website](#) or interested individuals can contact the Area Director or the Area 1-D 16U-19U Program Director. The information posted on the Website shall identify the last name of the team member, level of card received (Caution and/or Send-Off), number of match suspension(s), and if the team member is eligible or not eligible for the 16U-19U Post-Season Play. The absence of a separate written Referee Report from the Referee shall not be considered grounds for an exception to this rule. A team member can resume participating with the team only after he/she has served their match suspension(s). A team member shall receive written communication of disciplinary actions regarding eligibility to participate in Area 1-D 16U-19U Post-Season Play within two weeks of the Play-Offs. Distribution of the written communication shall be to the team member and the team member's coach and Regional Commissioner. Written communication shall specify the action being taken and the reasons therefore. The written notice shall also notify the team member that he/she, **upon written request for a Review Proceedings hearing within a stipulated time frame**, shall be given a reasonable opportunity to explain why such action should not be taken. At the request of the disciplined party, the Area Director shall appoint a panel of no less than three (3) disinterested persons to conduct a hearing at a neutral site. The hearing shall be informal and interested parties shall be heard. The Review Proceedings hearing shall be scheduled as close as possible to the start of Area 1-D 16U-19U Post-Season Play.

At the conclusion of the hearing, the volunteer panel shall meet and confer to make its determination and present its findings verbally or in writing to the Area Director. The Area Director shall make a final decision and disseminate the results verbally or in writing to all interested parties. At the option of the disciplined party, the decision by the Area Director in this matter may be further appealed to the AYSO Section One Director.

These procedures have been initiated to make sure that the AYSO philosophy is followed in our actions regarding our membership. Our intent is to satisfy the doctrine of fairness that underlies the basic philosophy of AYSO.

# APPENDIX A

## **16U-19U TEAM ROSTER INSTRUCTIONS**

**HANDLED BY THE REGION**

# APPENDIX B

## **EXAMPLE: A COACH AUTHORIZATION CARD**



**AYSO Area 1D  
Beach Cities**

**16U / 19U  
Coach Authorization  
Card**

**2023**

**Sample Coach**

**B19U / 7A  
Coach**

This card is to be worn by the team  
coaches of record during the match

# APPENDIX C

## REFEREE REPORT



**American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO)  
REFEREE REPORT**



_____	Final Score: _____	_____	Final Score: _____
[Home Team]		[Visiting Team]	
Coach: _____		Coach: _____	
Section/Area/Region: ____ / ____ / ____		Section/Area/Region: ____ / ____ / ____	

Date of Game: \_\_\_\_\_ Start Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender/Age Group: \_\_\_\_ U-\_\_\_\_  
Field Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Field Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_ Weather: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Conditions affecting the game or incident: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Referee: _____	Level: _____	Phone Number: (____) _____
Ass't Referee: _____	Level: _____	Phone Number: (____) _____
Ass't Referee: _____	Level: _____	Phone Number: (____) _____
4 <sup>th</sup> Official: _____	Level: _____	Phone Number: (____) _____

**SERIOUS INJURY during the game**

Name	Team	Player #	Time	Nature of Injury

**Players CAUTIONED before, during or after the game**

Name	Team	Player #	Time	Type of Misconduct

**Players SENT-OFF before, during or after the game \***

Name	Team	Player #	Time	Type of Misconduct

\*If player passes/ID cards are used in this competition, each Player's pass/card must be retained after the game and returned to the proper authority with this report. If a Coach is removed from the game, his/her ID card must also be retained and returned with this report. Check with competition authority for requirements.





# APPENDIX D

## **REFEREE FEEDBACK FORM**



# AYSO Area 1-D Referee Feedback Form (v1.0)

This form is provided so that you might help our volunteer Referees improve their knowledge and skills. Please feel free to offer your comments, be they praise and/or suggestions for improvement. After completion, please submit this form to the Area 1-D Referee Administrator. Thank you.

Help us identify the match:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Starting Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Location (Field): \_\_\_\_\_

Division (circle): Boys Girls 10U 1U2 14U 16U 19U

**Help us identify the Referee:** Position (circle): Referee Assistant Referee

Referee's name (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Performance (circle): Excellent "Above Average" Average "I can do better, Sign me up!"

Tell us who you are:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Role (coach, player parent, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Tell us your praise or suggestions for improvement**  
(include specific Law violations, Referee position, etc):

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(continue on reverse)

**For Referee Administrator Use Only:**

Form received by/date: \_\_\_\_\_

Referee contacted by/date: \_\_\_\_\_

Feedback provider contacted by/date: \_\_\_\_\_

Action taken:

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# APPENDIX E

## **TIME MONITORING FORM**



## Form Instructions – 16U/19U Play Time Monitoring Form



### Purpose:

Area 1D Rules and Regulations require monitored substitution in the 16U & 19U Divisions will be allowed monitored substitution. Monitored Substitution Forms for each team must be filled out during each game and turned in with the Game Cards at the end of the match. All players must have the opportunity to play a minimum of half of the game. Monitored substitution will be supervised by Playoff staff.

Substitution monitoring forms are be available on the Area website as well as on site. This form is used by the time monitor to track playing time. Prior to the game, each coach fills out the information for their own respective team, and then presents the form to the time monitor. The time monitor then keeps track of each player and ensures they play at least half of the game.

### Entry Instructions:

Team Identification Information	Each coach fills out the top of the time card with the information to properly identify his/her team.
Player Identification Information	Each coach lists the players First and Last Name in Jersey number order.
Player Time Monitoring	The Time Monitor carefully keeps track as each player comes in and out of the game by making an "X" in the box next to each player when they are not on the field. The Time Monitor keeps track at 5-minute intervals during the game. If a player is substituted during the 5-minute interval, the Time Monitor puts an "X" in the box of the players who were not on the field at the start of the 5-minute interval.
Total	At the end of the game, the Time Monitor counts all the "X"s for each player and enters the total in the Total column.
Signature	The Time Monitor prints his/her name at the bottom of the time card, then signs to confirm that they have performed the time monitoring duties. The time monitor then turns in the time card to the designated tournament official at the conclusion of the game.
Notes:	During the game, the helpful Time Monitor will keep the coach apprised of any players who are in jeopardy of not receiving their minimum 50% playing time, giving the coach a chance to correct it during the game. The goal is to help the coach make sure each player gets at least 50% playing time. If this is a medal-round game, the Time Monitor stops recording at the end of regulation time.



# APPENDIX F

**EXAMPLE: A PROPERLY COMPLETED GAME CARD  
(AS SUBMITTED TO THE REFEREE BEFORE THE MATCH)**

Fill in 16 or 19 as applicable

Team number as it appears on the schedule

All players, even those not present at the match, listed in order of jersey number

Must be approved coaches listed on the submitted roster

Player Rep should be marked with an asterisk

Reason should be given for any player not playing in the match

Match Date, Time, and Field

Indicate GK - (Goalkeeper), C - (Captain), A - (Alternate)  
All players on roster must be listed with reasons for absence indicated.

REG 17 BU- 19 GU      TEAM # NR2

NAME      LEAG      A/S     

TEAM COLORS Green/White

COACH Mike Copnall

ASST COACH Hernan Lopez

No.	PRINT PLAYER'S NAME Please list in uniform order	GOAL	QTRS. PLAYED			
			1	2	3	4
2	Chandler LaFranchi					
4	Kerin Mancina					
5	Zachary Rounds					
6	Andrew Martinez					
7	Victor Flores					
8	Carlos Villamizar					
*9	Erik Garcia C					
10	Anthony Rosales					
11	Alexis Sanchez					
12	Darcy Turk					
13	Joshua Barraza					
14	Miguel Ortiz A					
15	Johnathan Garcia					
16	Diego Avelar					
17	Yuki Copnall					
18	Angel Blanquel					
19	Manuel Carrillo					
20	Bryan Lopez					
21	Richard Olvera					

DATE 10/11/14 TIME 2:00p FIELD Campus

HALFTIME SCORE      IN FAVOR OF     

FINAL SCORE      WINNER     

(Referee complete/sign reverse) LOSER