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# AYSO Apricot Jam Tournament

## Referee Plan

Boys and Girls

April 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> 2024



Commitment Requirements	<p>A. Each team participating in the Apricot Jam Tournament must provide a <b>“Qualified” referee team</b> which consists of <b>3 experienced “Eligible” Referees</b>.</p> <p>B. The Apricot Jam Referee Information Form must be completed, approved by the Region Referee Administrator and returned with the Team Application.</p> <p>C. Each referee team may be asked to officiate 3 matches during the tournament. These may be game assignments or standby assignments, which will be consider equal in terms of earning the referee deposit refund.</p> <p>D. Failure to meet the requirements can result in forfeiture of referee deposit. If all assignments are completed, the entire referee deposit of \$350 will be refunded within 21 days of the completion of the tournament.</p> <p>E. The deposit refund check will be returned to the Region address shown on Referee Information Form.</p> <p>F. Remember: the quality of officiating is largely dependent upon the experience and abilities of the referees you provide.</p>
Qualification Requirements	<p>A. <b>Eligible Referees</b> must be registered as a volunteer for the 2023 membership year, must have completed the current Safe Haven and must be AYSO Referee Certified. A <b>“Qualified” referee team</b> is expected to have 3 experienced “Eligible” referees. Each 3-member referee team is expected to have <b><u>at least</u></b> one comfortable centering in the division of the team they represent.</p> <p>B. Each referee must be versed in the Laws of the Game, including current law changes and capable of applying the laws according to the spirit of the game.</p> <p>C. Each referee may only represent one team in the tournament.</p> <p>D. Players in the tournament will not be allowed to officiate.</p> <p>E. <b>Coaches in this tournament are strongly discouraged from officiating because we do try to assign referee crews immediately before and immediately after their teams’ games and</b> so that the scheduling of referees with the best experience and without conflicts can be accomplished. If an exception is warranted due to lack of other referee volunteers, this must be approved in advance by the Apricot Jam Referee Administrator.</p> <p>F. Youth referees will only be allowed if they are not a player in the tournament and must be at least 2 years older than the age group they are refereeing. Care must be taken when considering whether to allow a youth referee to officiate in the heated environment of a competitive tournament. These referees must always have their Youth Volunteer Application form with them and present it to any Tournament official upon request.</p> <p>G. Not providing at least one qualified center referee may constitute grounds for forfeiture of your referee deposit.</p> <p>H. It is the Regional Referee Administrators responsibility to check and insure that all Referees submitted are registered with AYSO as 2023 Membership Year volunteers, and that they have completed Safe Haven and are AYSO Referee certified at the level stated. If we become aware of any Referees not meeting the above requirements, there will be NO reimbursement for the game assigned to or officiated by that referee.</p> <p>I. Any changes to the referees submitted with your original application must be submitted no later than 14 days prior to the tournament. Any changes or substitutions to the referee crew requires the submission of a new form signed by your Regional Commissioner or Regional Referee Administrator.</p> <p>J. <u>Emergency</u> replacement referees must get approval from the Tournament Referee Administrator and must submit an updated signed Referee Information Form no later than 5pm on the Thursday before the Tournament.</p>
Uniform Requirement	<p><b>A. All referees must be in full Uniform as defined by AYSO and USSF, including the AYSO Badge.</b></p>

	<p>B. The Gold uniform will be considered the primary color of referee uniform for this tournament. The referee crew will be expected to change to an alternate color in case of conflict with either of the teams' uniforms.</p> <p>C. Referees not in uniform will not be permitted to referee games, and their team's referee deposit may be subject to forfeiture.</p>
Competency Requirements	<p>A. Referees will be assigned to games based on approved comfort level.</p> <p>B. Every effort will be made to assign referees to neutral games at their level of competency or below. Referee crews may be asked to split up in order to meet these goals.</p> <p>C. If a team submits a crew that includes any Non-Eligible Referees, ONLY the "Eligible" referees will be assigned to games.</p>
Tournament Rules	<p>A. Referees will be expected to familiarize themselves with and uphold the tournament rules, AYSO guidelines and FIFA laws. Any failure of the referee to uphold these rules may be cause for dismissal from the tournament and will place a team's referee deposit refund in jeopardy.</p> <p>B. Only the diagonal system of control will be used.</p> <p>C. Referees will be expected to legibly fill out the game cards and to keep track of substitutions.</p> <p>D. Referees will be expected to note on the back of the game cards and to fill out misconduct reports immediately after the game in which a misconduct (caution and/or send-off) was issued to a player or coach, or if there were spectator interference problems, or any other action that merits a report.</p> <p>E. Referees will be expected to turn in all completed game cards and misconduct reports to the Field Monitor or the Admin. Tent immediately after each game.</p>
Referee Schedules	<p>A. When the schedule is ready an email will be sent to the team coaches letting them know that the referee schedule is posted on our website. In addition, referee crew should check the website for possible changes up until the Friday before the tournament. Each team will be expected to ensure that the referee schedule and check-in instructions have been provided to their referee crew.</p> <p>B. Assignments MAY be immediately before or after your teams assigned match.</p>
Use of Local Referees	<p>A. Additional referees will be provided by the host region, including from the surrounding regions and Areas to ensure all games are covered by qualified referees. These referees will be provided assignments on a stand-by or fill-in basis. Priority will be given to referee crews to ensure an opportunity to earn their deposit refund.</p>
Referee Check-In	<p>A. Referees are expected to check in at the Referee Station at least 30 minutes prior to their assigned game. Failure to appear on time may result in a replacement referee crew being assigned to the field. Once a replacement crew has been assigned, they will have priority and the original crew must report to the Referee station for alternative assignment. If no alternate assignment is available, teams will not receive credit for those assignments.</p>
Referee Mementos	<p>A. Snacks and drinks will be available to all referees for the day(s) that they referee.</p> <p>B. Participating referees will receive a gift and a flipping coin as mementos to thank them for their contribution.</p>
Address:	<p>Referee forms must be mailed with the Team Application to:</p> <p>Apricot Jam 12954 View Mesa Moorpark, California, 93021</p>
Contact Information:	<p>Questions regarding referee requirements should be directed to:</p> <p>John Charrett</p> <p>Call: 805-506-1381 E-mail: Refadmin@moorparkayso.org Website: <a href="http://www.moorparkayso.org">www.moorparkayso.org</a></p>