

## 5th Annual Ventura Viper AYSO Elite Soccer Tournament



## **Referee Plan**

The following are guidelines that the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Ventura Viper AYSO Elite Soccer Tournament will apply for referees in our 2017 tournament:

Commitment	A. Each team participating in the 5th Annual Ventura Viper AYSO Elite Soccer Tournament must provide
Requirements	at least 1 crew consisting of 3 qualified referees. All U19 teams must have all three referees with
	at least an Advanced badge and prefer at least one National Referee (no Intermediate or
	Regional Referees). U14 teams may have Regional Referees but at least one referee must be at
	a minimum an Intermediate referee and prefer at least one Advanced Referee. Applications
	submitted with only Regional Referees will be considered incomplete and will not be
	accepted.
	B. The Ventura Viper AYSO Elite Soccer Tournament Referee Information Form must be completed,
	approved by the Regional Referee Administrator for U14 or Area Referee Administrator for U-19 games, and returned with the Team Application.
	C. Any changes to assigned games by a Region must have approval in advance of the tournament by the Ventura Viper AYSO Elite Soccer Tournament Referee Administrator.
	D. Regional Referee Administrator's can submit a supplemental list of their tournament qualified and
	certified referees to the Ventura Viper AYSO Elite Soccer Tournament Referee Administrator no less
	than two weeks prior to the tournament. With such a roster on file with the Referee Administrator any
	referee on that roster will be allowed to referee even if they are not on a team roster. However, if a
	referee is not on the supplemental roster or a team roster they will not be permitted to referee in the
	tournament. No roster adjustments will be made at the tournament.
	E. Each referee team will be scheduled with no more than 3 assignments during the tournament. These
	may be game assignments or standby assignments, which will be considered equal in terms of
	earning the referee deposit refund. If desired, a referee can check with the tournament referee
	administrator to see if additional games are available.  F. If all assignments are completed, the entire referee deposit of \$200 (\$100 for U19 Boys) will be
	refunded within 14 days of the completion of the tournament (no later than 7 May 2017). If only partial
	assignments are completed, then a partial refund will be provided equal to the proportion of
	assignments completed.
	G. The deposit refund check will be returned to the address shown on the Team Application form.
	H. Remember: the quality of officiating is largely dependent upon the experience and abilities of the
	referees you provide.
Qualification	A. Each referee must be an AYSO registered volunteer and completed AYSO's Safe Haven (within the
Requirements	last two years) and the AYSO CDC Concussion Awareness Training.
'	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.
	C. Each referee may only represent one team during the tournament, no exceptions.
	D. Players in the tournament will not be allowed to officiate, no exceptions.
	E. Coaches in this tournament are strongly discouraged from officiating so that 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
	Ventura Viper AYSO Elite Soccer Tournament Referee Administrator. Scheduling conflicts due
	to a coach/referee may not be avoidable.
	F. Youth referees will only be allowed if they are not a player in the tournament and they will be limited to
	the U14 divisions. 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 have their Youth  Volunteer Application form with them at all times and present it to any Tournament official upon
	request.
Uniform	A. All referees must be in full Uniform as defined by AYSO and USSF, including the AYSO Badge.
	B. The Gold jersey will be considered the primary color of referee uniform for this tournament. The
Requirement	referee crew will be expected to change to an alternate color in case of conflict with either of the
	teams' uniforms.
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	C. Referees not in uniform at check-in will not be permitted to referee games, and their team's referee deposit may be subject to forfeiture. Acceptable referee attire includes black shoes, referee socks with three white stripes pulled all the way up, solid black shorts (no stripes), referee jersey and badge, and a solid black hat if required. No sweat pants, jeans, khaki shorts, white shoes, sun hats, cowboy hats, or sandals will be permitted.
Competency	A. Referees will be assigned to games as follows: U-19: National Badge, National Badge candidate, or
Requirements	highly qualified Advanced Referee.
Requirements	B. U14: Advanced Badge, Advanced Badge candidate, or highly qualified Intermediate Referee and
	possibly Regional Referees as Assistant Referees. Any exceptions must have the prior written
	approval of the Ventura Viper AYSO Elite Soccer Tournament Referee Administrator; this includes
	referees being assessed for badge upgrade.
	C. In addition, referees for the U-19 level must have the written authorization from their Area Referee
	Administrator certifying that the referee is qualified and capable for this level of games. No Regional
	or Intermediate Referees will be allowed on U19 matches.
	D. Every effort will be made to assign referees to neutral games at their level of competency or below. In
	rare cases, referee crews may be asked to split up in order to meet these goals.
	E. Game assignments for BU19 and BU14 matches are subject to availability based upon National or
	Advanced Referee Assessments.
Tournament	A. Referees will be expected to familiarize themselves with and uphold the tournament rules, AYSO
Rules	guidelines and FIFA laws as modified and approved on June 1, 2016. Any failure of the referee to
raics	uphold these rules may be cause for dismissal from the tournament, and will place a team's referee
	deposit refund in jeopardy.
	B. Only the standard or right hand diagonal system of control will be used unless otherwise directed by
	the tournament staff.
	C. Referees will be expected to fill out the game cards and keep track of substitutions. Substitutions will
	be allowed approximately midway through each half, at halftime, and injury. There will not be "Free
	Substitutions" allowed at this tournament.
	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,
	substitute, or coach expelled, or if there were spectator interference problems, or any other action
	that merits a report.
	E. Coaches will be required to sign their game cards at the completion of the game, verifying the score
	and substitutions.
	F. Referees will be expected to turn in all completed game cards to the field monitors immediately after
	each game. If a misconduct was issued, the referees will be expected to complete the misconduct
	report and turn in the game cards with the misconduct report to the Ventura Viper AYSO Elite Soccer
Deferre	Tournament Referee Administrator or designee (do not turn in game cards to a field monitor).
Referee	A. Referee schedules will be available online at the tournament website within 2 weeks of the
Schedules	tournament. Each team will be expected to ensure that the referee schedule and check-in instructions
A	have been provided to their referee crew.
Assessments	A. All U14 games and all Boys U19 Pool Play games will be scheduled as full-length games. All U19
	Girls games, including Pool Play and the U19 Boys Championship and Consolation games will be 70-
	minutes in duration. Boys U19 Pool Play games may be available for National Referee upgrade assessments. For National upgrades the Ventura Viper AYSO Elite Soccer Tournament Referee
	Administrator will coordinate with Section 10 referee staff. To take advantage of this opportunity,
	referees must register by April 1st with the Ventura Viper AYSO Elite Soccer Tournament Referee
	Administrator (see contact section). For Advanced upgrades candidates will be expected to
	coordinate with their Area Referee Administrator their own assessor from within their own Area. Once
	an assessor is confirmed, the candidate will be expected to provide the assessor name and contact
	information so match assignments can easily be communicated with the candidate and their
	assessor. Area 10W can provide some assistance with Advanced assessments if notified in advance.
Use of Local	A. Additional referees will be provided by the host region, including from the surrounding regions and
Referees	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 of participating teams
	to ensure an opportunity to earn their deposit refund. In the rare situation where a referee team is not
	assigned games a full refund will be provided.
Referee	A. All referees will be expected to check in at the Referee Station to register and to collect their Referee
Check-In	memorabilia. Please note that the gifts for referees will be provided for three referees per team. If
	there are more than 3 referees on a roster it will be up to each team to determine which three will
	receive the gifts.
	B. At check-in, each referee team will be provided with a summarized set of tournament rules that they
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	will be expected to administer.   C. Referees are expected to check in at the Referee Station at least 30 minutes prior to their assignments in full uniform. This includes stand-by assignments. Failure to appear on time and properly dressed may result in a replacement referee crew being assigned to the match. Once a replacement crew has been assigned, they will have priority and the original crew must report to the Referee station for an alternate assignment if available.
Referee	A. Referees will be provided food and drink for each day that they officiate. Chilled water and snacks will
Mementos	also be available at the Referee Station.
	B. The first three referees listed on the roster will be considered the primary referees for the team and
	unless notified will be the three to receive a tournament t-shirt and flipping coin as mementos to thank
	them for their contribution.
Address:	Referee forms must be mailed with the Team Application to:
	Gil Torres, Tournament Director
	Ventura Viper AYSO Elite Soccer Tournament
	1802 Eastman, Ste. 113□Ventura, CA 93003
Contact	Questions regarding referee requirements should be directed to:
Information:	E-mail viper.ref@ayso39.org
	Web site www.AYSO39.org