

AYSO 114 Referee News

Update for Parents, Coaches and Referees/Volumes 6 and 7/November 16, 2017

Volume 7

Greetings Region 114,

As we approach the final week and tournament finale of our Fall Season, please keep the following in mind:

- Special thanks to all referees for the excellent match coverage last week. By Friday 11/10, we had 100% coverage and Saturday (11/11), we had 92% coverage and more games picked up on game day – Excellent job Ref Team!
- A special thank you for the extra efforts our region referees brought to game day. Many refs whose teams had already earned enough points to qualify for the Commissioner's Cup still reserved matches! Thanks for stepping up so that our kids could play!
- Please support our U6/U8 Friendship Cup. The schedules are now posted on MatchTrak. Please sign up so our youngest divisions can play in a true tournament atmosphere!
- Information for the 10U and above Commissioner's Cup is forthcoming soon – Stay tuned and watch for schedules and details. We need full referee support for this event. **Are you ready for the challenge? Please step up and support our athletes in this higher, more competitive level of play!**
- Please remember the End-of-Season Raffles that were announced in our Referee Volume 6 Newsletter: [Referee Thank You Raffle](#), [Coach and Team Manager Raffle](#), and [Team Referee Contest](#). *Make sure you ref games for more opportunities to WIN!!!
- Trophy Distribution – we are in need of assistance with trophy distribution this Saturday and next Saturday. Earn a point for your team for each 2-hour shift worked. To volunteer and confirm a work schedule, please contact Joylyn Souter at ayso114youthmentor@gmail.com.

Zero Tolerance Policy for Negative Comments or Actions Directed Toward Referees, AR's, or Youth Referees

IMPORTANT NOTE: Due to recent events, **negative comments and/or actions towards a referee, an AR, or a youth referee will NOT be tolerated by or in Region 114.** Coaches and/or spectators refusing to respect and follow a referee's corrective instructions will be sent off immediately. We support a culture of respect and safety for our players and the league.

Send-offs will be documented in MatchTrak via a detailed report within 24 hours of the incident. This could result in additional action taken by the Region and possibly Area.

Thanks to all of our referees for making our region a better place. And thanks to all of our regional volunteers. Great soccer is happening here because of all that you do.

Sincerely,

Greg Ball
Region 114 Referee Administrator

Volume 6

Greetings Region 114,

Special thanks to parents, coaches, team managers, referees, field-liners, referee-station attendants, and other volunteers. Our collective dedication has made this season outstanding, and I'm looking forward to the same excellent quality in the exciting weeks ahead.

A few important updates:

- Please click to see our end-of-season raffles: [Referee Thank You Raffle](#), [Coach and Team Manager Raffle](#), and [Team Referee Contest](#).
- To maintain excellent soccer in the final two weeks of the regular season, we need full referee participation. Sign up for matches to earn Commissioner's Cup Tournament points. In addition, even if your team has earned its tournament points, please continue to reserve matches so that all teams and athletes can enjoy outstanding soccer on game days!
- We will also need full referee participation for our U6/U8 Friendship Cup and the Commissioner's Cup. More information is forthcoming. For now, please plan to reserve matches for these two exciting culminating events!
- Finally, let's continue to support and engage positively with our Referee Support Crew, which is committed to fostering AYSO's mission. Together, with everyone's assistance, we can affirm ASYO's values in all aspects of our programs.

Thank you once again for all that you do. Your hard work and dedication make outstanding soccer happen in Region 114.

Sincerely,

Greg Ball
Region 114 Referee Administrator