

### Welcome!!

### Referee Spring 2025 Kickoff Mtg Mar 13, 2025 7:30pm (zoom call)

- 1. Please say Hi in the chat when you join so I know who is here. Add your email in case you are new and I don't know who you are. I'll get back in touch with you to create a SINC Sports account asap!
- 2. We need a Federal W9 form from all new Referees please!
  - Download at sterlingsoccerclub.org under Referee tab / Resources page, Referee Pay section
  - Print page 1, fill it out, take a pic, then send it in as an attachment to <a href="mailto:sysa.payables@bill.com">sysa.payables@bill.com</a>

HOST: Dave Taylor, Sterling Soccer Club Referee Assignor and Coordinator

- 1. Email: referee@sterlingsoccerclub.org
- 2. Phone: 703-727-5390

### Ref Kickoff Agenda

- 1. Welcome, Season Info and Changes
- 2. Referee Badge Velcro Backing email me your address if you need one and I'll mail you one
- 3. W-9s for new Referees
- 4. Coach's meeting recap
- 5. Game Field Locations for Spring 2025
- 6. Heading Rule no heading permitted at U11 and below!
- 7. Law Changes for 2024 / 2025 go into effect July 1, 2024 (nothing too much to mention)
- 8. U6 thru U19 Game Protocols and Local Laws of Competition Reminders
- 9. New NCSL-Rec (U11 and up) procedures
- 10.SINC Sports Self Assignment primarily for new referees
- 11.Inclement Weather Policy
- 12.SINC Sports tool for Self-Assignment, Referee Payments, Communication
- 13. General Policies, Procedures
- 14. Uniform Review
- 15. Referee Payments, Bonus Program

### **Spring 2025 Season Details**

1. It's me again, Dave Taylor (Sterling Soccer Club's USSF Certified Referee Assignor) back for yet another exciting season, can't wait to see you all on the pitch!!

### 2. Season Dates:

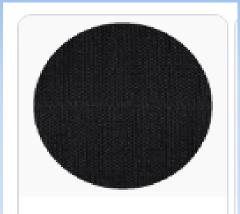
- NCSL-Rec Games: First Weekend Sat/Sun Apr 5/6
   8 Week Season: Apr 5, 12, 26, May 3, 10, 17, 31, Jun 7
   (no games over Easter or Memorial Day weekends)
- U6/7/8 (REFITs) and U9/U10 (Certified Referees): First Weekend is Sat Apr 12
   7 Week Season: (same as above except season starts on week later on Sat Apr 12)

### 3. Changes this season:

- REFIT and U9/U10 No changes
- NCSL-Rec U11 and up None really, just a quick recap below:
  - i. Center Referee Game Reporting in Demosphere (NCSL-Rec site)
  - ii. Request paper rosters from each coach (assists in post-game reporting)
  - iii. Referee Team pre-game Roster Check (if requested by either coach, do both teams)

# **Velcro Badge Backing**

Certified Referees who received a new Referee badge won't be able to affix it to their jersey without a Velcro badge backing which sticks to the back of your badge and then velco attaches to your jersey.



Goal Kick Referee Patc...

\$8.49

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### Need a W-9 on file

A blank W9 form can be found on our club website under Referee tab, Resources page, at end of Referee Pay section

Print page 1, fill it out, take a picture, email it in please

- 1. Print your full Legal Name
- 2. Check 1<sup>st</sup> box
- 3. Print Address, City, State, Zip
- 4. Enter Social Security Number
- 5. Sign and Date

**MAKE SURE IT'S READABLE PLEASE!!** 

Please send ONLY Page 1 of W-9 as an attachment to <a href="mailto:sysa.payables@bill.com">sysa.payables@bill.com</a> (this is our referee Payment system)

All REFEREES receive a 1099-MISC tax form at end of tax year

Form W-9
(Rev. October 2007)
Department of the Treasur
Internal Revenue Service

#### Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

|  | Name (as shown on your income tax return)   |                  |                        |    |  |  |
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| page   | Business name, if different from above  |                  |                        |    |  |  |
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| Print or type  | Check appropriate box: ☐ Individual/Sole proprietor ☐ Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (D=disregarded entity, C=corporation, P=partnership) ▶ ☐ Exempt payee |                  |                        |    |  |  |
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| Specific   | City, state, and ZIP code   |                  |                        |    |  |  |
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| See  | List account number(s) here (optional)  |                  |                        |    |  |  |
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| Par  | Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)  |                  |                        |    |  |  |
| Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1 to avo backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see How to get a TIN on pag |   |                  | or                     |    |  |  |
| Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.  |   |                  |                        | er |  |  |

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
- 3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the Certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

Here

Signature of U.S. person ▶

#### General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

#### **Purpose of Form**

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued).
- 2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- 3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- . An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States.
- · An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301,7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.

The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the

#### **REFEREES INFORMATION**

- ✓ Our REFEREES the backbone of our Referee Team!!
- ✓ Coaches and Parents critical components of a successful referee program!
  - The Referee's focus Is:
    - 1. To Ensure player **S**afety and **E**njoyment, and **E**nforce the Laws of the game (SEE)
    - 2. Entitled by US Soccer Federation (USSF) as well as the Sterling Soccer Club to use the 'Ask, Tell, Dismiss' policy as needed
  - REFeree-In-Training (REFIT) Junior Referees trained by Sterling Soccer are used for our small sided 4v4 games at the U6, U7 and U8 levels (8 new REFITs for Fall)
  - State Certified Referees require yearly State Recertification and are used for the U9/U10 rec/house, and U11 thru U19 NCSL-Rec levels (about 15 new Certified Refs for Fall, 7 of them being REFIT upgrades!)
  - **Book-smart** does not equal **field-smart**, referees learn by doing , just like players!
  - Takes a full year (~25 games) to develop a referee they need to 'see stuff' and learn from their mistakes (yes, mistakes will unfortunately happen)
  - PLEASE REPORT REFEREE CONCERNS TO the Referee Assignor and refrain from approaching youth referees with your concerns

- ✓ Dave Taylor Referee Assignor & Coordinator referee@sterlingsoccerclub.org )
- ✓ Tara Koehler Club Administrator admin@sterlingsoccerclub.org
  - The glue that holds the whole thing together!



**SPRING 2024 COACHES MEETING** 

### ✓ Rule Review for U6, U7, U8

- 1. Single Referee In Training (REFIT) scheduled for each game
- 2. Game format is 4v4, possible 3v3, but no 5v5 (too crowded and dangerous)
- 3. Coaches can 'help players' on the field during first 2 weeks, then off field please
- 4. NO DEDICATED Defenders or Goalkeepers please, the objective at this level is to get LOTS OF TOUCHES/SCORING BY ALL PLAYERS (position development is later)
- 5. The point of the 'ARC area' in front of the goal is that it's a potentially dangerous area for player-player & player-goal collisions, so it's a no-go area for all players
- 6. ARC area rules are soft, only called if a consistent problem or clear goal denied
- 7. What should be called by the REFIT is a denial of a goal by a defender who defends in the ARC area the goal is awarded to scoring team
- 8. NO JEWELRY IS PERMITTED, including NO TAPING OF EARRINGS
  - 1. Please do not make the referee the 'bad guy' when this is shared with the player and they are told that they may play, but only without earrings



**SPRING 2024 COACHES MEETING** 

### ✓ Rule Review for U9/10 (7v7 games)

- 1. Many of our Local Laws of Competition prioritize the safety of the players
- 2. This is the first level with goalkeepers, so referees are instructed to 'protect' them aggressively by blowing the whistle if/when a collision is possible
- 3. Coaches can 'help players on the field' for first 2 weeks, then stay off field please
- 4. Coaches must familiarize themselves with the 'Build Out Line' rules
  - Goalkeepers cannot punt the ball
  - For goal kicks and goalkeeper pickups, defenders must retreat behind the build-out line giving space for opposing team to 'build out' an attack
- **5. NO DIRECT KICKS**, again for safety reasons (therefore no Penalty Kicks)
- **6. NO JEWELRY IS PERMITTED**, including **NO TAPING OF EARRINGS** please!
  - 1. Please do not make the referee the 'bad guy' when this is shared with the player and they are told that they may play, but only without earrings



#### FIELDS U3-U8 AND U9-U10 - AGE GROUPS

### **NOVA - Loudoun Campus**

1200 Campus Dr, Sterling, VA 20164

# Fall 2024 Field Locations at NOVA Community College Campus

#### U6/U7/U8:

Play on U7A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J which is same as last season

-10A/10B games fields for U9/10 levels are back up on the hill (square red box) where they were last Fall



### NOVA Fields Parking

Map of Northern Virginia Community College Soccer Fields – Loudoun Campus of Potomac View Rd

THIS SLIDE IS ONLY FOR PARKING PURPOSES at NOVA Community College.

Park in NOVA Lots 6 (near old 10A/10B) or 8 (near new 10A/10B) for Saturday game days.

The new parking lot closest to U9/10 Fields 10A and 10B is open (Lot 8) and operational, feel free to use it!

# U11 and U12 Game Fields Algonkian Elementary

Algonkian Elementary School 20196 Carter Ct Sterling, VA 20165



### STERLING SOCCER CLUB

**SPRING 2024 COACHES MEETING** 

**FIELDS U11-U19 - AGE GROUPS** 

- Algonkian Elementary used for U11/U12 games
- Hencken fields are used for U13 and up games
  - Grass fields 6 and 7 are used along with Turf fields 8 and 9



Algonkian Elementary School 20196 Carter Ct, Sterling, VA 20165



Paul Hencken Fields
20280 Cascades Pkwy, Sterling, VA 20165

# U13 - U19 Fields Game Fields Hencken Fields at Potomack Lakes Sportsplex

Hencken Fields 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 20280 Cascades Pkwy Sterling, VA 20165

 BE AWARE OF YOUR FIELD NUMBER ON YOUR GAME Assignment so that you show up at the correct field for your game!



# VYSA 2016 RULE NO HEADING at U11 and Under

**NEW 2016 RULE: NO HEADING: U11 AND YOUNGER (PERMITTED FOR U12 AND UP)** 

Players in U6 thru U11 age groups may not deliberately head the ball in soccer matches

For age groups U11 and younger, whenever the ball strikes a player in the head\*, <u>play is stopped</u>, <u>and the referee is to check on the player before play is restarted!</u>

If the referee determines that the player deliberately played the ball with his/her head, the proper restart is an indirect free kick (IFK) to the opposing team.

If the play by the head is deemed inadvertent, then the proper restart is a dropped ball (DB) to the team that last touched the ball prior to the heading.

NOTE: Since play is to be immediately stopped regardless of whether the heading was intentional or inadvertent, no goals, corner kicks, goal kicks, or thrown-ins should be awarded.

The only two proper restarts are Indirect Free Kick (IFK) or a Drop Ball (DB)

\* If the header occurs within the goal area, the ball is to be moved to the goal area line parallel to goal line for IFK or DB

# 2024 / 2025 Laws of the Game Changes

Went into effect July 1 2024, but nothing too shocking or surprising:

#### Law 12 - Fouls and Misconduct

•Clarification that non-deliberate handball offences for which penalties are awarded are to be sanctioned in the same way as fouls which are an attempt to play the ball or a challenge for the ball

### Law 14 - The Penalty Kick

- ·Clarification that part of the ball must touch or overhang the centre of the penalty mark
- •Encroachment by players will be penalised only if it has an impact (same philosophy as goalkeeper encroachment)

### Sterling Soccer - U6-U10 Reminders

- > U6/U7/U8 Referee In Training level (simplified game and rules)
  - 4v4 (possibly 3v3, but not 5v5) 4 quarters, 10 mins each
  - SAFETY is primary responsibility
  - Game Reporting-is not require
- > U9/U10 For new younger Certified Referees ages 13, 14, 15 (Full 3-Ref crew used when possible)
  - 7v7 (possibly 8v8 due to team size) with goalkeepers
  - Uses FIFA Laws of the Game, but with the following Local Laws of Competition modifications:
    - (2) 25 minutes halves w/substitutions during any stoppage with permission of referee
    - No Heading (if it occurs, blow whistle, indicate NOT PERMITTED, and give IFK to opposing team where it occurred)
    - No Direct Kicks, so no Penalty Kicks (for fouls inside Penalty/Goal Areas, use an IFK on Penalty Area line)
    - At a goal difference of 4, losing team may add a player. If difference goes to 5, add another play, but stop there
    - As losing team catches up, they then must remove their added player
    - Offside yes, but only between Build-Out line and Goal Line as per Build-Out Line rules
    - Ah yes, the 'Build Out Lines' (this is a line halfway between the Goal Line and Halfway line on each end)
      - 1. When keeper takes possession, opposing team must retreat behind the build-out line, keeper can wait
      - 2. Keeper must roll, throw, or pass the ball (no punts, but if so, whistle, and bring it back for proper delivery)
      - 3. When a goal kick is awarded, opposing team must retreat beyond build-out lines, kicker can wait
      - 4. Please review Build Out Line documents on our Referee / Resources website for add'l information
  - PROTECT THE GOALKEEPERS they are first timers! Whistle early, avoid player/keeper collisions at all cost!!
  - DO NOT USE Yellow or Red cards on players this age unless absolutely necessary...use verbal warnings/cool offs first

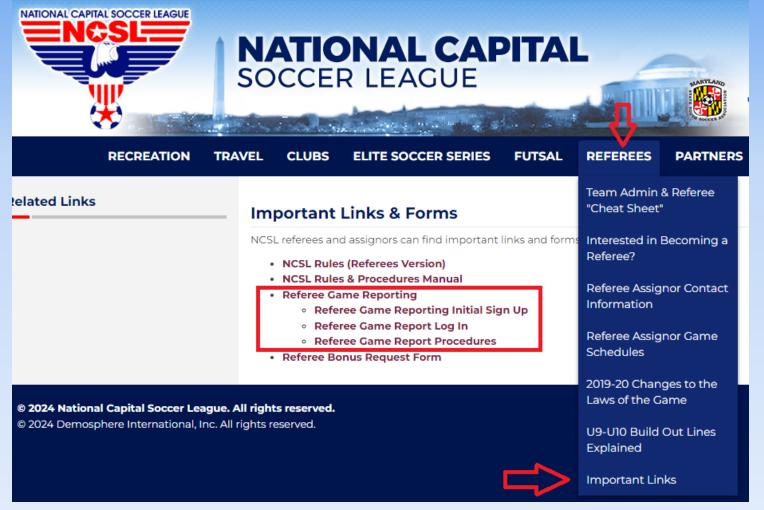
### Sterling Soccer - U11+ (NCSL-Rec)

- > New NCSL Rec rules apply, SFL is no longer but all rules will LARGELY be the same
  - Center Referee must be 2 years older than game level (U11+2=13, so min is age 13, U14+2=16, so min is age 16yo, etc)
  - AR can be less than game level, but check with me before doing these games for your first time!!
- > **U11 No Heading!** Blow whistle, award IFK to opposing team at point of header (Heading permitted starting at U12)
- > Game Durations: U11/U12 (30min half), U13/U14 (35min half), U15+ (40min half)
- > Before the game: Roster Check only if requested by a coach (check both teams to be fair)
- > After the game: Confirm both the score and the cards with both coaches after the game, then report score later (more later)
- > U11/U12: Games are held at Algonkian Elementary on 2 fields (newer Certified ages 14, 15, 16 to start)
- > U13+: Games held at Hencken Soccer Fields at Potomack Lakes Sportsplex
- > U11-U19: For newer older Certified Referees (ages 15 and up) and experienced Certified Referees
  - For any game issues, email me with details! Call me if urgent!
  - Report all RED Cards in an email to me please at <u>referee@sterlingsoccerclub.org</u>
  - See NCSL-Rec Rules and Procedures Document on our website under Spring 2025 Documents on Referee/Resources tab
    - Know the Play Down Rule team can play with no more than 2 more players than other team
    - Game Format: U11/U12: 9v9 w/min of 6 players, U13+: 11v11 w/min of 7 players
    - Know the NCSL-Rec Substitution Rules: Substitutions are unlimited at any stoppage of play
    - Mercy Rule is based on 4 goal differential (at any time after 4 goal differential, losing team can terminate match)
      - When a team first goes up by 4 goals, the team winning by 4 goals must remove a player
      - For 5 goal differential, remove another player (for 6 goal differential, remove another player, etc)
      - If team losing scores a goal, winning team can add a removed player back
      - If team winning goes down to the minimum to play (6 for 9v9, 7 for 11v11), do not take more players off
      - IF TEAMS AGREE TO PLAY DESPITE WINNING TEAM AT MINIMUM NUMBER, REGARDLESS OF SCORE, KEEP PLAYING (NO FORFEIT ASSESSED, and either team can request to terminate the match at this point)

### **▶** Pre-Game Roster Checks (not mandatory, but only if requested by Coach)

- The check-in is conducted by the referee using that team's NCSL-REC Team Roster.
- The players line up by uniform number and each player is validated by stating their name and birth date when the referee calls their uniform number.
- 1. Player issues include but are not limited to
- name/birth date provided by the player does not agree with the NCSL-REC Team Roster
- uniform number worn does not agree with NCSL-REC Team Roster
- NCSL-REC Team Roster shows player issues such as missing uniform numbers, duplicate uniform numbers, etc.
- 2. Players may be required to spell their name or sign their name on a blank piece of paper if required by the official.

- > Center Referees need to Report the games on NCSL-Rec website
- **▶** Process is the same as used for NCSL Travel Match Reporting
- **>** https://www.ncsl-soccer.com/ REFEREES tab, Important Links at bottom



### > Center Referee Post-Game Reporting on NCSL-Rec website in Demosphere

1. Define an Email Address based login and a PIN#



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#### **Referee Sign Up for Game Reporting**

Fill out form to sign up for entering Game Reports

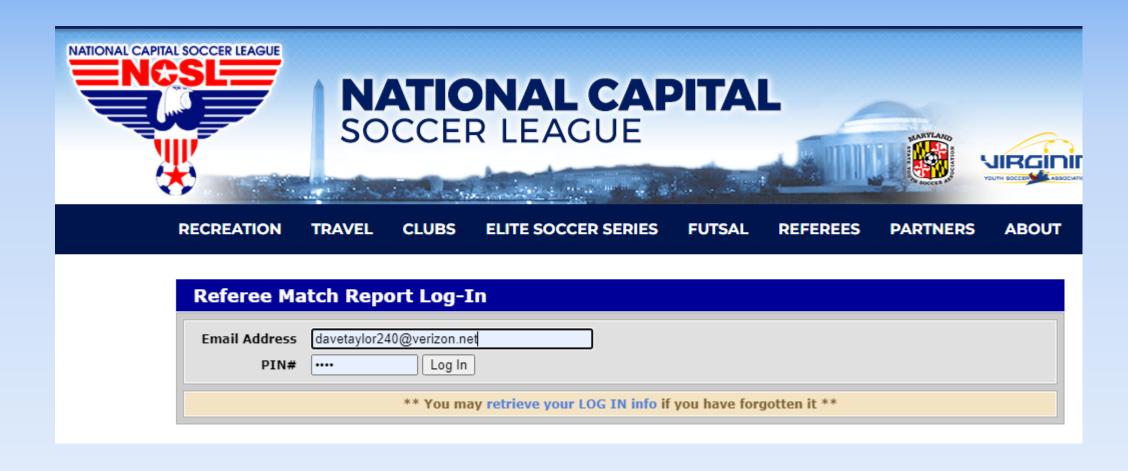
All referees need to set up a user id and password for entering game reports. You only need to do this **one time**. Your email address will serve as your user id.

Here are some useful links:

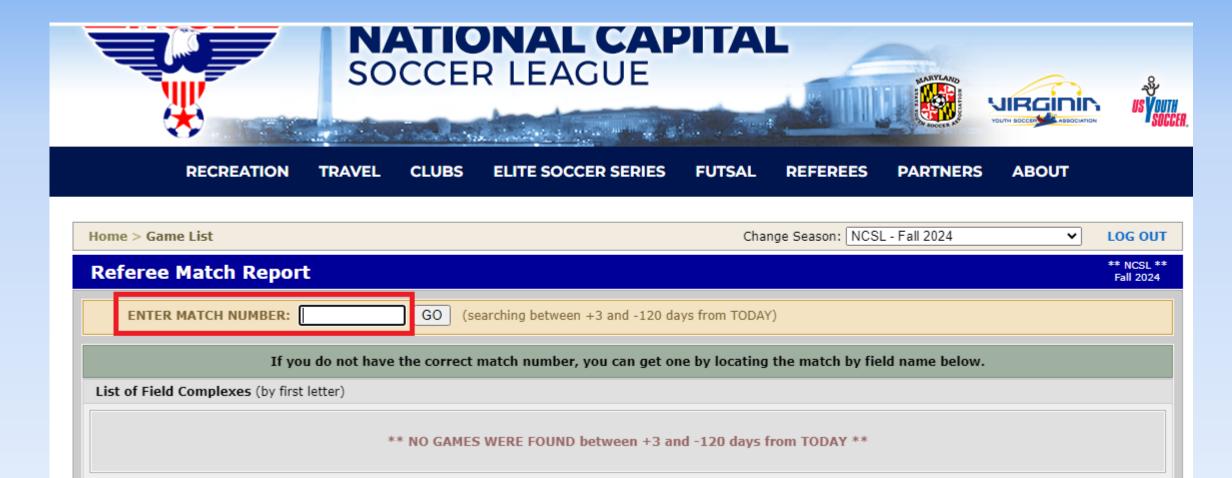
- . If you have already signed up, but you do not have your pin number, click here to retrieve your pin number.
- If you have never signed up before, then click here to sign up now.

Thanks for all your efforts for the Good of the Game.

- **➤** Center Referee Post-Game Reporting on NCSL-Rec website in Demosphere
- 2. Login to Report your game score and cards



- > Center Referee Post-Game Reporting on NCSL-Rec website in Demosphere
- 3. Report score and cards using NCSL-Rec MATCH NUMBER!!!!!



### **Sterling Soccer Club Website**

### https://sterlingsoccerclub.org

#### Resources



#### INTERESTED IN BECOMING A REFEREE FOR THE STERLING SOCCER CLUB?

Click here for instructions on becoming a new Certified Referee.

#### ALREADY A REFEREE FOR STERLING SOCCER CLUB?

If you are already a referee for us, below are resources pertinent to referees. The items range from rules of the game to training resources, to how you get paid.

#### **GAME RULES**

Refereeing Documents

Spring 2024

- · ReFIT Training Class Spring 2024
- Spring 2024 Referee Information Night

#### REFEREE FAQS

FAQs for new and current referees

#### REFEREE PAY

Referees receive pay checks twice per season: once during the mid-season referee meeting, and again within 2 weeks following the final games of the season. You will need to submit a W9 form. One can be obtained here.

| AGE GROUP        | CENTER<br>REF (CR) | ASSISTANT<br>REF (AR1/AR2) |
|------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| U9/U10           | \$24               | \$16                       |
| U11 (SFL)        | \$28               | \$20                       |
| U12 (SFL)        | \$32               | \$22                       |
| U13/U14<br>(SFL) | \$42               | \$27                       |
| U15/U16<br>(SFL) | \$52               | \$32                       |
| U17-U19<br>(SFL) | \$58               | \$35                       |

#### OUESTIONS?

Please contact Dave Taylor, Referee Mentor/Assignor, at referee@sterlingsoccerclub.org

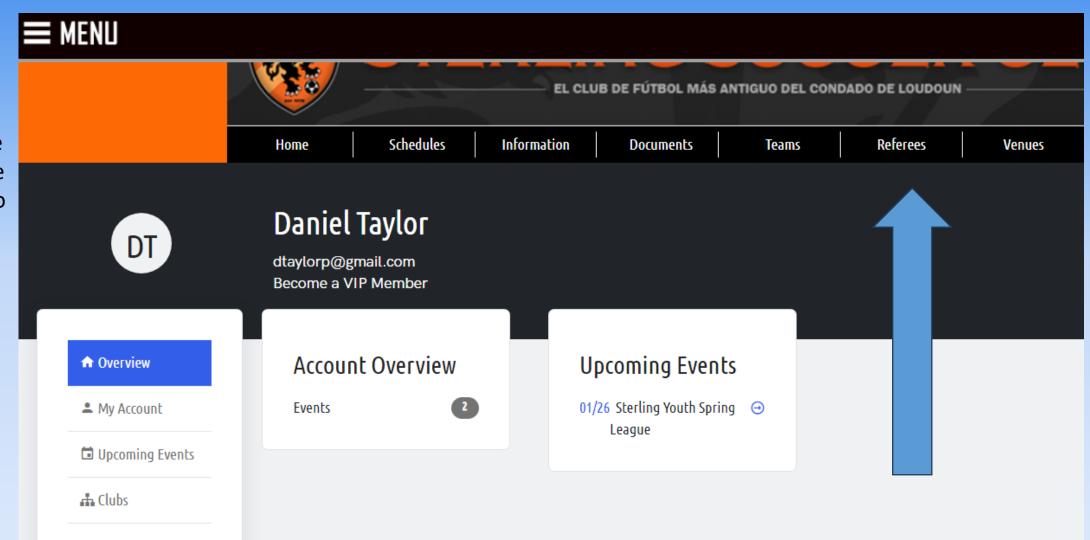
## SINC Sports tool — it's a bit of a 'doozy'!

- Referees use this to Self Assign themselves to games
- Assignor (myself) also uses is to make adjustment, and occasionally assign games
- Spring DB Link: https://soccer.sincsports.com/TTContent.aspx?tid=SYSA&tab=1
- Can also access the website by clicking on the banner area of the emails from SINC Sports
- I recommend using THE WEBSITE vs phone app AS OFTEN AS POSSIBLE, phone app is clunky
- Not many edit 'checks' available in the system, so sign up for the 'RIGHT GAME' for you!
  - System allows REFITS to sign up for U19B games, I recommend against this!
  - Choose proper level of game based on my guidance and your experience
  - Half of my job is monitoring self assignments for proper ref-to-game fit
  - I reserve the right to move/cancel you based on a variety of things (too many games, level)
    - If this happens, I'll let you know
- SINC Sports has lots of features we don't use, please don't 'play with them'
- Games are visible 2 weeks in advance ONLY
- SINC automatically sends game reminders a couple days prior to your assignments
- MONITOR YOUR EMAIL PLEASE asking for refs or 'lifting' of game limits so you can take more
- You are locked into your game 72 hours prior to game time (cannot cancel in SINC), so if you need to cancel, please text or call me (no emails at last minute)

# SINC Sports — First page

If your first page looks like this, the Home tab gets you to the Sterling Soccer Club main page

Click on the Referees tab up top to the right to get started to Self Assign a game



# SINC Sports Home page – Spring 2025

- is your first page normally. This has relevant info that I have usually sent on email as well
- To start the self assignment process, click on the Referees Tab

This is the
Sterling
Soccer
Home Page
In SINC Sports



#### This is the SPRING 2025 Referee database - SEE BELOW

IF YOU SEE THIS PAGE, YOU ARE IN THE RIGHT PLACE FOR our SPRING 2025 Season!!!

This Sterling Soccer Spring 2025 League event page is where you will see games for the Spring 2025 season when they are eventualy posted. I will update this page once games are posted. Dave Taylor

#### Important Spring 2025 Season Dates

Mon Feb 10, 7:30: Referee Information Night Zoom Mtg! Zoom Info:

Topic: Sterling Soccer Ref Info Night

# SINC Sports – WRONG Home page!!

- Might

   happen if
   you've
   saved an

   OLD Link
- If SO, in
  WRONG
  DATABASE
  and won't
  see games
  for this
  season!



#### Welcome to our Fall 2021 soccer season!!

IF YOU SEE THIS, YOU ARE IN THE WRONG DATABASE!

To get to the Spring 2022 Database:

- 1 Click on the top left MENU icon
- 2 Select SINC MENU, then My Account, then My Home Page
- 3 Click on the Event Page button for the Active Event called Sterling Youth Spring League

#### Latest Updates

View schedules, standings, and get score updates on your mobile device!



Or search for "SincSports" in the store/market.

#### - LOUDOUN COUNTY'S FIRST SOCCER CLUB

### STERLING SOCCER CLUB

EL CLUB DE FÚTBOL MÁS ANTIGUO DEL CONDADO DE LOUDOUN

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Referees,

Sterling Soccer Club uses this system to both assign and allow referee self-assignment of games in accordance with our policies and procedures. Please review these policies and procedures on the Referee tab of our www.sterlingsoccerclub.org website, and then complete the information below. Younger referees please use a parent's email address as the alternate email address so we know they are receiving information as well.

If you have any questions please contact the Assignor, Dave Taylor at referee@sterlingsoccerclub.org or Tara Koehler, our league administrator, at admin@sterlingsoccerclub.org.

Thank you.

Sterling Soccer Club

Click this link to update personal information like address, cell#, email



Update Daniel Taylor

### Daniel Taylor referee profile

Click here to modify your team list in the dropdown below

What year were you born?

# SINC Sports - Finally, we're getting there!

- To SELF ASSIGN games, please hit the 'Referee Self-Assigning' button
- THIS IS A RECENT ADDITION TO MAKE THINGS EASIER!!!



Sterling Soccer Club Referees,

Sterling Soccer Club uses the self-assignment option within SINC Sports for game assignments. 'address which is also your account login and your secondary email address for mass email comm

Please ensure all of your account information is accurate. We request that younger referees (Refethe age of 16) please use a parent's email address as the alternate email address so we know the well.

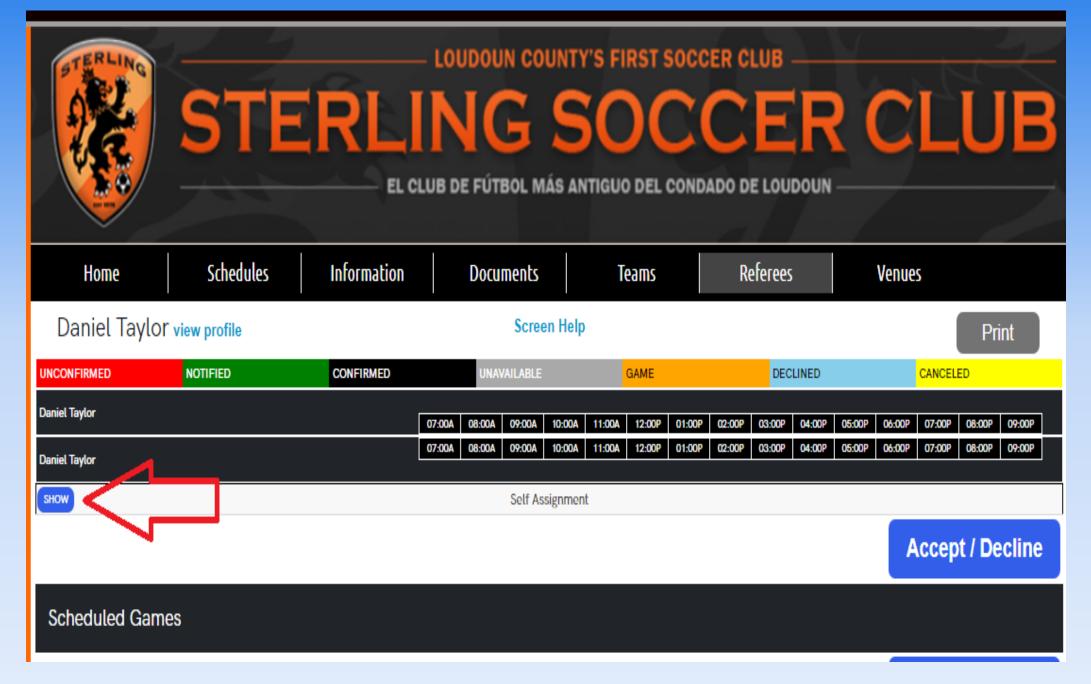
If you have any questions please contact Dave Taylor, Referee Assignor/Coordinator (Referee@st

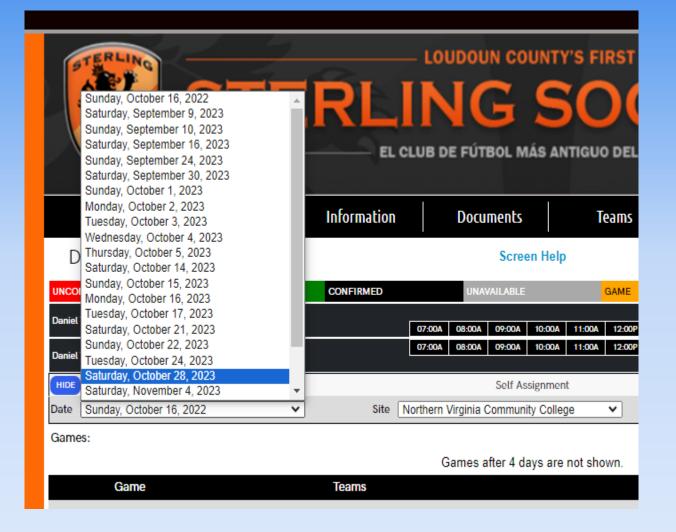
After you have registered as a referee, you can use the self assigning tool:

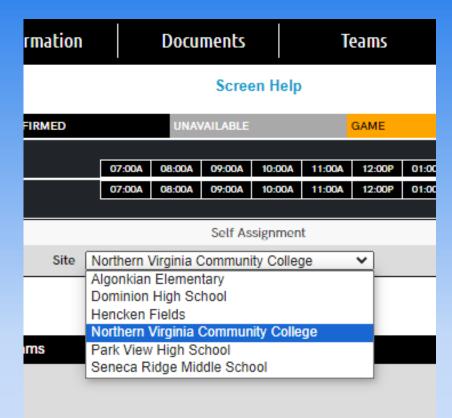
Referee Self-Assigning



The 'Show' button will result in you seeing the Self Assignment filters of Date and Site

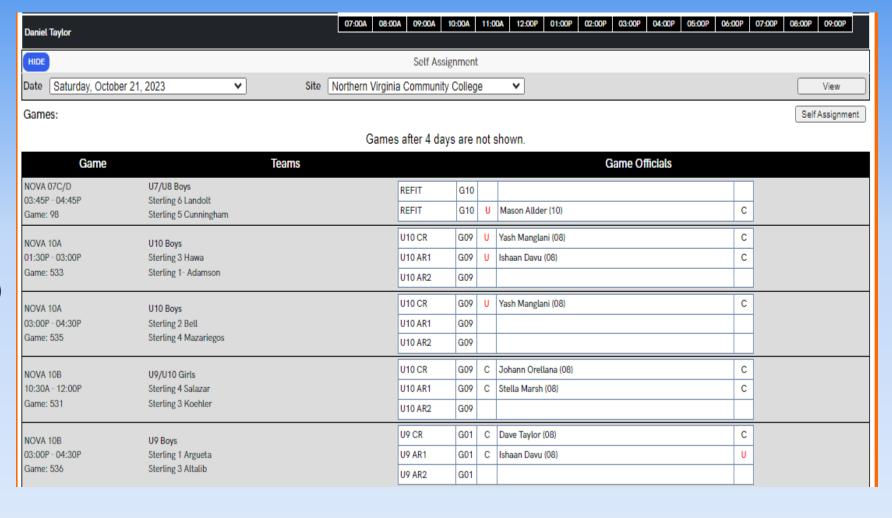






#### \*\*\*PART ONE\*\*\*

- 1. First choose the appropriate
  Date from the Date dropdown
  (all future season dates will also
  appear available, but we only
  make games available 2 weeks
  in advance!)
- 2. Then Choose the Site:
- Northern Virginia Community
   College (REFIT and U9/10),
   Algonkian Elementary (U11/U12)
- Hencken Fields (U13-U19)
- 3. Then click View to see games
- 4. Then click in the open space of the assignment you want (your name will appear shaded in pink)

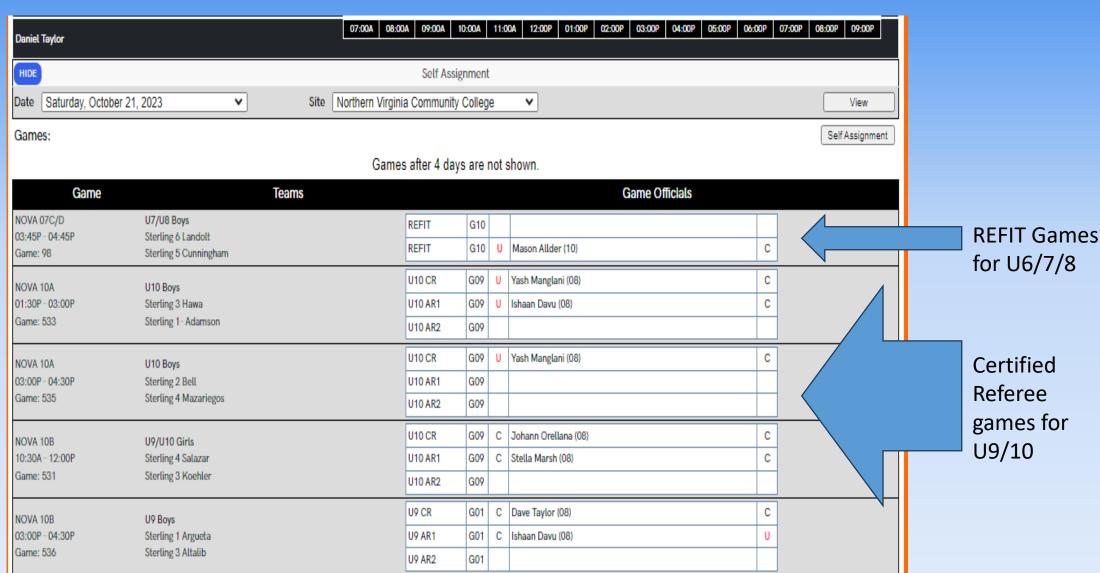


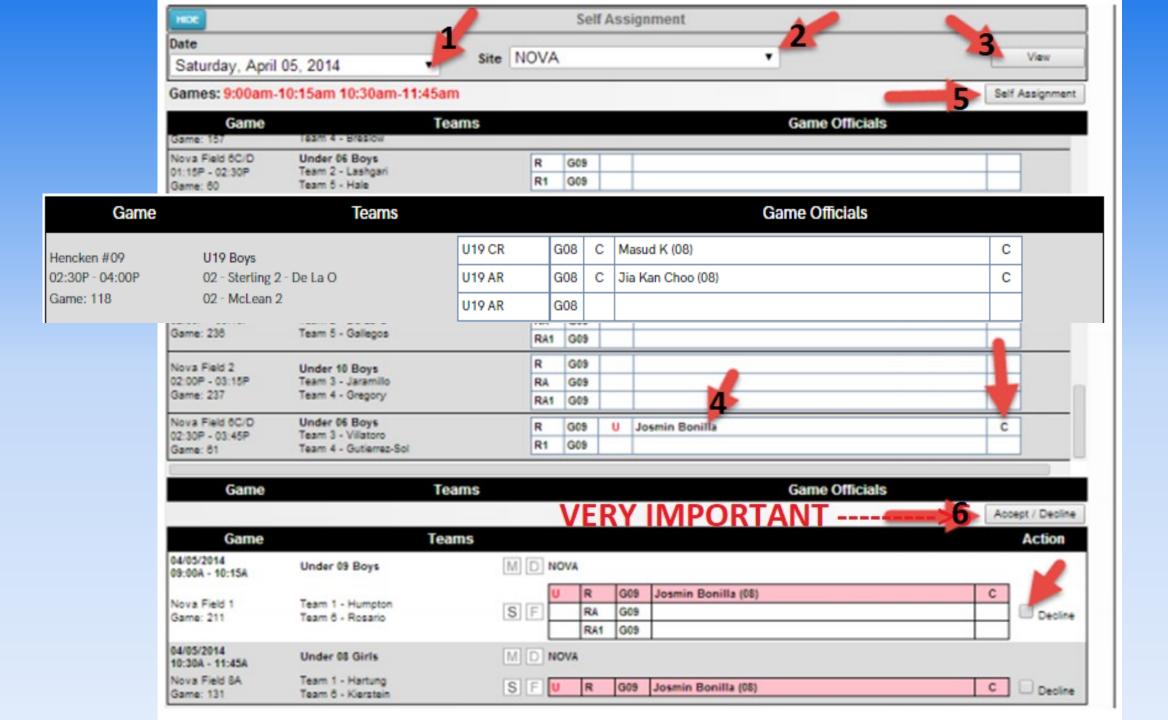
5. Then click Self Assignment

REFITS – look for games where only 2 referee slots are shown. They are labeled as REFIT games (first section)

Certified Referees – look for 3 referee slot games, level is first area such as U10 – first slot is for Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> 2

are ARs





SINC Sports — we're there!

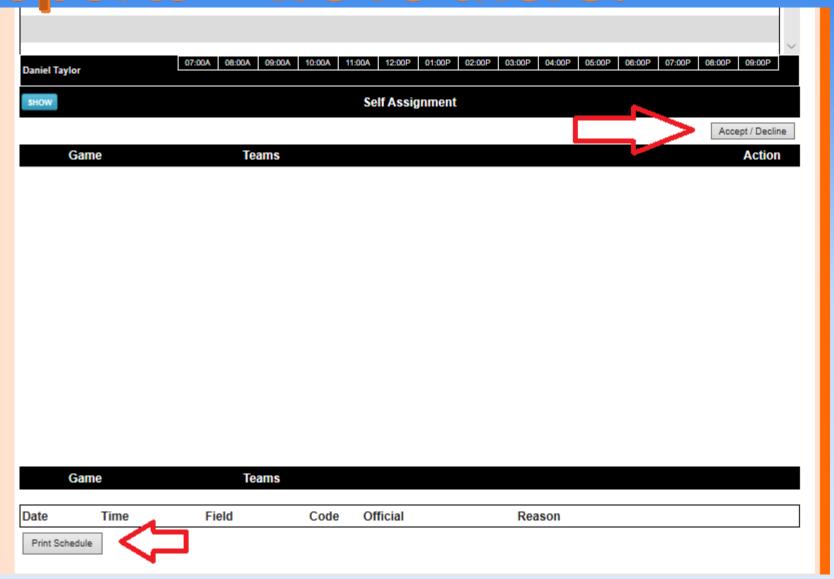
\*\*\*PART TWO – You must ACCEPT your OWN Self Assignments\*\*\*

6. Once games are chosen, click Accept/Decline

YOU'LL NEED TO USE IT A FEW TIMES TO GET FAMILIAR WITH HOW IT WORKS!

For the first few times, once you think you've taken games, get out, then all the way back in to be sure you've saved your games and they appear as yours!!!

7. You can also Print your Schedule or take a picture of it. Somehow please bring your schedule with you in case there are any conflicts!!!



### **Policies & Reminders for ALL**

- ➤ SINC Sports Match Cancellation policy:
  - You may cancel out of an assignment prior to 72 hours within match date/time (provide Reason)
  - SINC does not allow you to cannot cancel within 72 hours of match date/time
  - If you need to cancel (SINC option is 'Decline') but cannot, please call or text me, no emails please
  - THERE IS NO GAME REPORTING, SO SHOWING UP FOR YOUR GAMES IS ON AN HONOR BASIS!!
- > SINC Sports Self Assignment Match Limits and Policy:
  - Matches may only be taken up to 2 weeks in advance (system restricts this)
  - YOU CAN ONLY SEE GAMES WHERE 1 or more REFEREE SLOTS ARE STILL AVAILABLE!! (Top slot is Center Ref)
  - Be on the lookout for any game limits on email or lifting of game limits on email
    - ✓ REFITs: you may initially take a maximum of 2 back-to-back games to start with
    - ✓ U9+: you may initially take a maximum of 3 back-to-back games to start with
  - Take games in 'blocks' please (2 or 3 depending on what's permitted)
  - If you can only take one, take the first or last, not the middle games (single stranded games are hard to fill)
  - REFITs and U9/U10 Certified Referees: please email me your availability for the first two weekends
  - Please subsequently 'Accept' them in the bottom window!!
- > If you are not finding matches that fit your schedule:
  - Let me know, I can work with you to pre-assign you to games that fit your schedule

### **Inclement Weather Policy and Process**

- > Sterling Soccer Club's Inclement Weather Policy:
  - If things look risky (heavy clouds approaching, warn coaches game might get 'called' due to weather
  - Alert your ARs (if you have them) and have them keep an eye to the sky
  - At first sign of thunder or lightning, suspend the match, request all to take cover in a hurry
  - No returning to fields until 30mins after last thunder or lightning
  - Judgement needed on whether to resume match because we can't extend games due to field schedule
  - A 'rain shower' or even a brief down-poor ALONE (no lightning/thunder) is NOT sufficient to suspend the match, try to play through it
  - But if field conditions deteriorate to dangerous (you see slipping, puddles, etc) and paying conditions
    have become unsafe for the level of play, confer with Ars, and if in agreement, suspend the match
  - Please call me immediately at 703-727-5390 to notify me that this has occurred
  - Please send me a followup email (<u>referee@sterlingsoccerclub.org</u>) that this has occurred

## Sterling Soccer Ref Payment & Payscale

• Payment: 2 payouts for all refs: mid-season after first 4 weeks, end-of-season after last weekend of games – mailed to the address found on your W9

| Sterling Soccer Club rates since ~ 2015 |                      |         |  |  |  |  |
|---|----------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|
| Current:                                | Sterling Soccer Club |         |  |  |  |  |
| AGE GROUP                               | (CR)                 | (AR)    |  |  |  |  |
| U9/U10                                  | 22                   | 14      |  |  |  |  |
| U11 (SFL)                               | 26                   | 18      |  |  |  |  |
| U12 (SFL)                               | 30                   | 20      |  |  |  |  |
| U13/U14 (SFL)                           | 40                   | 25      |  |  |  |  |
| U15/U16 (SFL)                           | 48                   | 28      |  |  |  |  |
| U17-U19 (SFL)                           | 55                   | 32      |  |  |  |  |
|   |                      |         |  |  |  |  |
| Spring 2023                             | Sterling Soccer Club |         |  |  |  |  |
| AGE GROUP                               | (CR)                 | (AR)    |  |  |  |  |
| U9/U10                                  | 24 (+2)              | 16 (+2) |  |  |  |  |
| U11 (SFL)                               | 28 (+2)              | 20 (+2) |  |  |  |  |
| U12 (SFL)                               | 22 (12)              | 22 (12) |  |  |  |  |
|   | 32 (+2)              | 22 (+2) |  |  |  |  |
| U13/U14 (SFL)                           | 42 (+2)              | 27 (+2) |  |  |  |  |
| U13/U14 (SFL)<br>U15/U16 (SFL)          |                      |         |  |  |  |  |

# **Cert Fee Reimbursement/Bonus Programs**

- End of Season Bonus Programs
  - REFITs \$25 bonus at end of season for working 10 games
  - Certified Referees \$100 bonus at end of season for working 15 games

- For NEWLY Certified Refs ONLY Reimbursement Program for 2025 (continuing)
  - U9/10 Games \$30 after working 8 games at this level (end of season payout)
  - U9/10 Games and upper level games \$40 after working 8 games at these levels
  - U11 and up \$50 after working 8 games at these levels

### **Referee Uniform**

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS (THIS IS RIGHT OFF THE <u>WWW.STERLINGSOCCERCLUB.ORG</u> WEBSITE)

Note: caps may be worn but must be solid black with no emblems

#### **▶** U6-U8 Rec Game Referees:

- Gold referee shirt
- Black shorts
- Official referee socks (all black or black with 3 white stripes)
- Referee whistle (suggest having a spare in case one breaks or is lost)
- A watch with Chronograph/Stopwatch feature to keep time (get used to a count-up timer!)

### > U9-U19 Rec Game Referees (and all Travel Game Referees)

Above items plus

- Pair of referee flags
- Set of red/yellow cards
- Score keeping sheets
- Flip coin





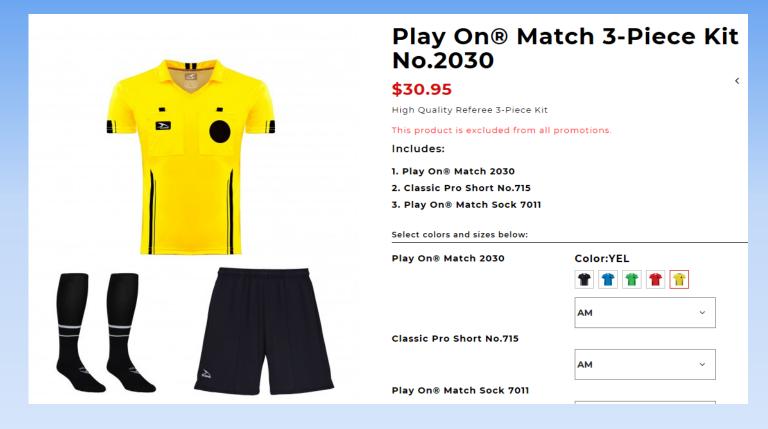
The older style shirt and socks above are no longer approved!!!

Please purchase the newer uniform to the right!

### **Ref Uniform**

www.soccer.scoresports.com

https://scoresports.com/play-onr-match-3-piece-kit-no-2030.html



But this newer style shirt and socks are fine too...

If anybody needs a velco badge backing, email me at referee@sterlingsoccerclub.org and I'll mail you one!

That's a wrap, thank you for joining!

Now let's go and have another GREAT season!

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU for your refereeing support for our club!!!