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2026 Milliken Fog Classic AYSO Tournament Referee Plan



The following are guidelines that the AYSO All American Tournament will apply for referees in our 2026 tournament:

Commitment Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Each team participating in the 2026 Milliken Fog Classic AYSO Tournament must provide at least 3 qualified and competent referees. B. The Pacifica Fog Classic Referee Information Form must be completed, approved by the Region Referee Administrator and returned with the Team Application. C. Each referee will be asked to officiate a minimum of 2 matches during the tournament. These may be game assignments, standby assignments, or shootouts, which will be considered equal in terms of earning the referee deposit refund. D. If all assignments are completed, the entire referee deposit of \$200 will be refunded 15 days after the completion of the tournament. If less than six assignments are completed, then no refund will be provided. E. The deposit refund check will be returned to the address of the Region. F. Remember: the quality of officiating is largely dependent upon the experience and abilities of the referees you provide.
Qualification Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Each referee must be an AYSO registered volunteer for the current year and Safe Haven certified. 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 must have previous experience of at least 3 games before the tournament. D. Players in the tournament are discouraged from officiating. 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 if not in the presence of their Parent/Guardian.
Uniform Requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. All referees must be in full Uniform as defined by AYSO, including the AYSO Badge. 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. C. Referees not in uniform will not be permitted to referee games, and their team's referee deposit may be subject to forfeiture.
Tournament Rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. B. Only the diagonal system of control will be used. C. Referees will be expected to fill out the game cards and to keep track of substitutions. 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. E. Referees will be expected to turn in all completed game cards and misconduct reports to the Field Marshal immediately after each game.
Referee Schedules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Referee schedules will be created online. Referees may go online to view their schedules
Use of Local Referees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 team referees to ensure an opportunity to earn their deposit refund.
Referee Check-In	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. All referees are expected to check in with the Field Marshal at least 20 minutes prior to their assigned game. Failure to appear on time may result in a replacement referee being assigned to the field.

Referee Mementos	<p>A. Referees will be provided with a meal and drink at the Field Marshal Station for each day that they officiate. Chilled water and snacks will also be available.</p> <p>B. Participating referees will receive a tournament flipping coin as a memento to thank them for their contribution. Also available are T-shirts and sweatshirts depending on the number of games that are officiated.</p>
Address:	<p>Referee forms must be mailed with the Team Application to:</p> <p>Tournament Registrar Milliken Fog Classic AYSO Tournament 1263 Park Pacifica Ave. Pacifica CA 94044</p>
Contact Information:	<p>Questions regarding referee requirements should be directed to:</p> <p>Call: Richard Ryall E-mail: tournament@ayso157.org Web site: http://www.ayso157.org/</p>