

# ASC Pre-Season Referee Meeting

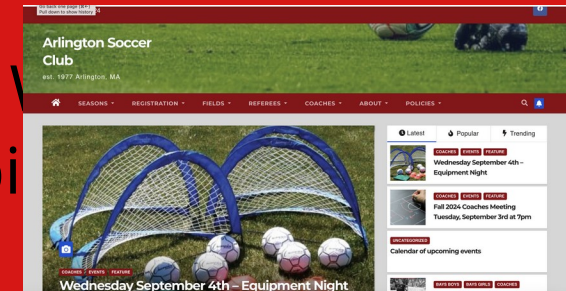
Wed, 4 September 2024  
Robbins Library

6:45-7:45 p.m. In-Town Referees  
8:00-8:45 p.m. Grassroots/BAYS Referees



# Essential Information

- ASC Season begins Sat, 7 Sept. for BAYS (gr. 3-8) and In-Town (gr. 2-4).
- IFAB rules of 2023-24 apply in Fall 2024.
- Availability deadline for opening weekend was this past Sun, 1 Sept.
  - Look for email from Paul A with open games on V
  - New In-Town referees cannot yet submit availability



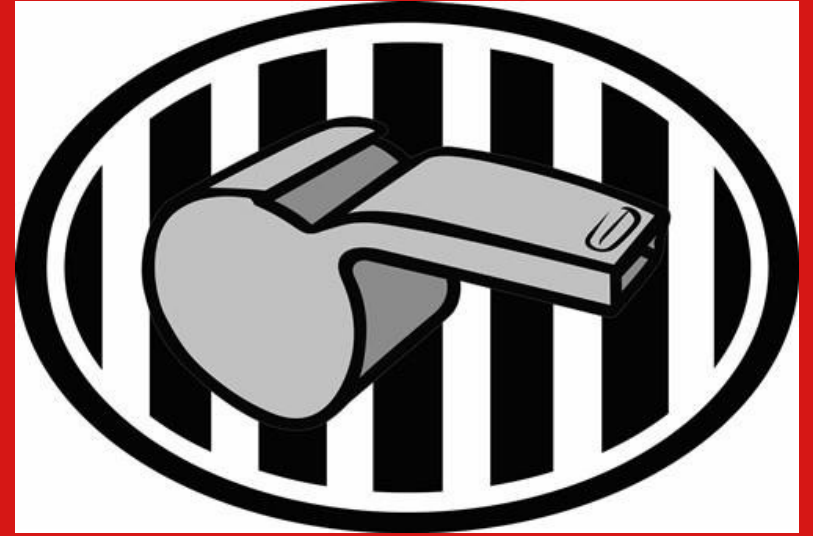
ASC Referee Website:

<https://www.arlingtonsoccerclub.org/referee>



# SAFE – FAIR – FUN

- How do we ensure safety?
- How do we promote fairness?
- How do we encourage fun for players?



# Game Assignments / Scheduling



- at <https://usofficial.com>,
  - **Sunday** – Referees input availability
  - **Monday** – Games are assigned
  - **Tuesday** – Referees accept/reject games
  - **Wednesday** – Open games are announced via email
  - **Wed-Fri** – Referees respond to Paul A. directly via email, and schedule is finalized.

Availability Status — [Help](#)

< **AUGUST 2024** >

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Select your availability

Date	Time	Notes
09/07/2024	From 01:00 PM To 04:30 PM	 

Unavailable    Available    Reported  
 Pending    Accepted    Rejected

[Copy calendar link](#) - to sync your calendar with other devices

<https://usofficials.com/calendar/39876/4fdf5f32addcbd70a>

# Game Reports (and Payment)


- Everyone accepts game initially at US Officials.
- In-Town referees report games at <https://usofficials.com>.
- BAYS referees accept game also in BAYS, and report game in BAYS, <https://bays.org>.
- Payment
  - 2x per season for In-Town
    - Mid-season, End of season
  - 4x per season for BAYS
    - Weeks 3, 6, 9, and end of season

# Game Reports (2)

- All referees should submit comments in game report for
  - ZT violation,
  - Red Card,
  - Injury,
  - or unusual circumstances.
- Game reports should be submitted within 24 hours.
- Game reports cannot be submitted until the game is accepted.

# Game Cancellations

- ASC decides by 7:00 am /10:30 am for weekend games, so check ASC website and your own email.
- Referees can declare a field unplayable, in consultation w/ coaches
- Thunder/Lightning Policy
  - No play for 30 minutes

Why No Game	Conditions	Who Initiates	Refs Paid
Teams No Show	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Refs <i>at the field</i></li> <li>· Neither team or coach show up</li> <li>· Fields are open and playable</li> </ul>	Center Referee by filing game report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Yes – If at the field</li> <li>· Original game shows with -1 suffix</li> </ul>
Late Cancel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· One side or BOTH sides initiate a cancellation and fails to notify by stated window</li> </ul>	Referee Assignor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Yes – game reports AUTO-generated</li> <li>· Shows with -86 suffix</li> </ul>
Forfeit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· One or both teams forfeit</li> <li>· Can happen if team does not have roster or credentialed adult w/in 15 minutes</li> </ul>	Division Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Yes – if at the field</li> </ul>
Rainout/unplayable field - When teams show up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Game cannot be safely played or finished</li> </ul>	Referee Assignor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Yes – if at the field or on the way to the field</li> </ul>
Rainout/unplayable field - When NO teams show up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Refs on the field but no teams show up then EITHER Teams No Show or Late Cancel – <b>NOT</b> Both</li> </ul>	Referee Assignor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Yes – if at the field or on the way to the field</li> <li>· No – if club closes fields at least one hour before game time</li> </ul>
Clubs Close fields	Clubs close fields by BAYS required windows <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 7:00AM for morning games</li> <li>· 10:30AM for afternoon games</li> </ul>	Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· No</li> </ul> 

BAYS Table re Game Cancellations and Ref Payment



# Referee Gear

- What items does every ref need?



**Plus wristwatch!**



# Game Day Reminders

- 5 Pre-game steps:
  1. Check your own equipment
  2. Check the field
  3. Check the coaches
  4. Check the players
  5. Check the ball
- Minimum # of players to start
  - 7 (for 11v11)
  - 6 (for 9v9)
  - 5 (for 7v7)
- Arrive 30 min early
- Review rules for that level
- Start on time
- 15-minute grace period for late arrivals

# Game Rules (LOTG)

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## LAWSON OF THE GAME

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## Playing Rules and Regulations for BAYS Soccer Competition

### FALL 2024 AND SPRING 2025 SEASONS

To BAYS Coaches, Club Officials, Parents, Spectators, and Players:

Coaches, parents, spectators and referees are reminded that the Laws of the Game, as adopted by the International Football Association Board (IFAB), are specified in these playing rules. The Laws of the Game can be found in the 2023/2024 IFAB Laws of the Game as adopted by FIFA. It is recommended that you have a copy on your smartphone. It is free and available in the App Store or in Google Play.

If you have any comments or suggestions regarding either the substance of the rules or the format of this rulebook, please forward them to your town's referee. We will be glad to discuss them.

Click here for a [Game Rule Summary Chart for Coaches, Parents, and Referees](#)

- Advisory Information for Coaches and Managers
- Game Rule Summary Chart
- BAYS MODIFICATIONS to IFAB Laws of the Game
- LAW 1: The Field of Play
- LAW 3: Number of Players/Substitution/Injuries
- LAW 4: Players' Equipment/Jerseys/Shin Guards/Casts/Splints/Orthopedic Braces/Jewelry/Medical, Religious and Cultural Items
- LAW 5: Referees/Refereeing Systems/Ejections/Game Report
- LAW 6: Assistant Referees/Line Assistants
- LAW 7: Duration of the Match
- LAW 12: Fouls and Misconduct/Cards/Multiple Ejections
- LAW 13: Free Kicks
- LAW 14: Penalty Kicks

Arlington soccer club

*Keeping it Fun!*

### Arlington Soccer Club Rules Summary for Grades 3-4 In-Town Games

**Size of team on field:** 7v7

**Size ball:** No. 4

**Time:** Two 30-minute halves and a 5-minute half time break.

**Important rules to remember:**

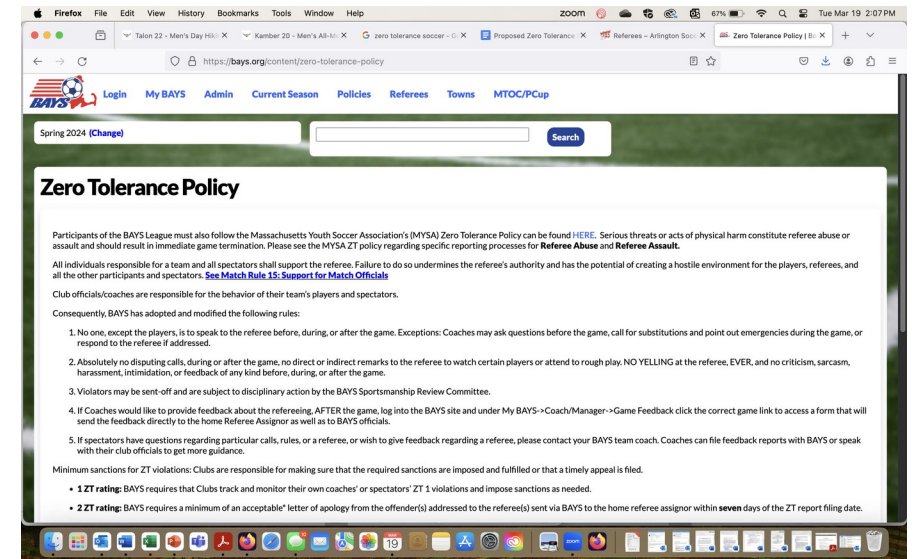
In addition to (or in modification of) the regular laws of the game, the following special rules will apply to ASC Grade 3-4 In-Town games.

- Educating players about the rules is an important part of the referee's job at this age. Briefly explain the rules if players appear confused (15 seconds should be enough—do not interrupt the flow of the game).
- Free Kicks: Direct and Indirect free kicks are awarded. Opponents should stand **10 yards** away from the ball.
- Penalty Kicks: NO Penalty Kicks are awarded at this level. Instead of a PK, a direct kick will be awarded at the edge of the penalty area closest to where the foul occurred.
- Goal Kicks:
  - Place the ball 5-6 yards from the goal line—lines are not always marked, so goalkeeper and referee use their judgement.
  - Defensive team must retreat to the midfield line. Cones on each side are helpful to mark the midfield line. The ball must touch the field or a player in the defensive half of the field. If the ball crosses midfield without touching the ground or a player, the opposing team will be awarded an indirect kick at midfield.



# Zero Tolerance

- What is Zero Tolerance (ZT)?
- Why do BAYS and ASC support ZT?
- Essential points of ZT
  - For players, coaches, spectators
- Consequences for violations of ZT
  - ZT-1: Clubs track, monitor, and impose sanctions; often a letter of apology.
  - ZT-2: One-game suspension
  - ZT-3: Two-game suspension
  - If violator coach is not identified, head coach serves suspension.
  - If violator is a spectator, all spectators are forbidden at next game.
  - Violations are tracked for 4 seasons (2 years) as repeat offenses



<https://bays.org/content/zero-tolerance-policy>

# Special Considerations for In-Town Referees

- No yellow-red cards.
- One referee only.
- Education & Enforcement.
- Special rules for Grade 2, and for Grade 3-4 (see handout).
- Professionalism
  - Dress appropriately.
  - Display confidence with coaches, players, and spectators.
  - Use whistle and hand signals.
  - Move with the ball around the entire field.
  - Be in charge of substitutions, restarts, and the whole game.

# Questions?