

## BISA Adult Soccer Program Referee Instructions

### PRE-GAME DUTIES

- Arrive a minimum 20 minutes prior to the start of the game
- Dressed in proper uniform (different jersey color than either team)
- Ready to start pre-game check-in
- Each AR checks in a team and obtains a filled in game sheet from the team manager. It needs to have the date, time, field number, home & visitor team names, and roster of players for that team with player's numbers listed.
- If the team is the home team and their jerseys are the same color as the opponent, the manager is to locate the board member on duty to check out pennies if they do not have any. Remind them they will need to leave a set of car keys when they check out the pennies.
- Each player must individually check in with the AR presenting their BISA adult player card which has a color photo and player number on the back.
- The AR will verify the ID belongs to the player presenting it and that player is listed on the roster, that the player number is on their jersey and is permanent (no marker or tape) and that the player is wearing shin guards covered by socks. **NO CARD, NO PLAY.**
- Any player arriving late must check in with the AR with their player ID prior to entering the game.

### IN GAME DUTIES

- Games will start when each team has a minimum of 7 players. The referee may start the clock while waiting on a team to reach 7 players, the manager with the game sheet or ID cards to arrive.
- If a game starts with 7 players, there must be a maximum of 5 male field players, a minimum of 1 female player, and a GK of either gender.
- Keep up with play, run the field.
- Enforce BISA's adult rules
- Allow water breaks as required or requested. Time runs during a water break.
- Slide tackling is not allowed. The tackling player must be cautioned. Slide tackling is going to the ground in close proximity to an opposing player that could reasonably result in contact. Sliding in open space (such as prevent the ball from going out of bounds or to intercept a pass) is permissible.
- **This rule applies to goalkeepers;** if they go to the ground, lead with their feet, and are close enough to make contact, they must be cautioned.
- A PK must be taken by a woman.
- Scoring rules:
  - 2 points for a goal scored by a woman during normal play or if the PK was awarded as the result of a woman being denied an obvious goal scoring opportunity.
  - 1 point for a goal scored by a man or as the result of an own goal or a PK not called for a denial of an obvious goal scoring opportunity by a woman.
- The center referee will clearly indicate the number of points awarded after a goal is scored.
- The maximum number of goals/points scored by an adult is outlined in the BISA Adult Rules.
- A red card reduces the number of players of that gender by 1.

### POST GAME DUTIES

- Complete game sheets with: score for each team and cautions/ejections are listed for the offender. Game sheets are kept by the referees and turned into the folder in the referee hut.
- Player ID cards are returned to the manager except for any player receiving a red card even if the red was for a second yellow card. These ID cards are left with the game sheet in the folder.