

## 2015 State Cup Games – Referee Instructions

4/10/15

The State Cup games will be played during the spring season. The schedule for these games (U13-U19) can be found on the Mass Youth website:

[http://www.mayouthsoccer.org/tournaments/state\\_cup.aspx](http://www.mayouthsoccer.org/tournaments/state_cup.aspx)

The referee for each game will have to complete a simple and short online game report immediately after the match is completed. If you can not complete the game report within two hours, you need to call Terri Filippetti with the score (length of match, etc) within 2 hours and then you must complete the game report within 24 hours.

The State Cup game report can be accessed at [http://www.mayouthsoccer.org/state\\_cup/referees.aspx](http://www.mayouthsoccer.org/state_cup/referees.aspx)

Type in the information requested in each “block” and then “submit report”. You will receive a copy of the game report upon submittal. If you have a problem, you need to contact Terri Filippetti via phone asap. The following information is required:

- Game number – **THIS IS REQUIRED** (example: G14-01 – means girls U14, game #1)
- Date, age group, gender, and location
- Name of teams involved (higher seed is home team)
- Final score of game (use numbers as 1, 2, 3, etc. – do not use ll to mean 2)
- Click the length of match – Regulation
- **Number and Name** of player receiving yellow or red card – use comments’ section if needed
- Name of referee and assistant referees (if fees paid – click “Y” or “N”)
- Is this a “Dual” game? Answer is NO unless I tell you otherwise.
- Complete the Fair Play Rating for each team (scale of 1 to 5; 5 is the highest)
- GAME ROSTERS: Please email or fax to Terri Filippetti (Cup Director) within 24hrs

### General guidelines for all State Cup games:

- All U13-U19 Round Robin games will conclude at the end of regulation halves (in other words the game is allowed to end in a Tie).
- Refer to game length chart below for proper time limits and ball size!
- All Cautions and Send-Offs must be listed on the game report – name, number, and team. This information must be correct. **DO NOT KEEP ANY PASSCARDS EVEN IF A RED CARD IS ISSUED!**

### **STATE CUP Substitutions**

- a. Substitutions may be made, with the consent of the referee, at any stoppage of play.
- b. For Under 14 and younger age groups, unlimited substitutions shall be allowed; and
- c. For U15 and older age groups, a maximum of 7 substitutions for each team shall be allowed in each game during each half and during any overtime play. After leaving the game during a half of play, the substituted player may not re-enter the game during the same half of play. After leaving the game during overtime play, the substituted player may not re-enter the game.

**All teams must hand the referee a copy of their **Game Roster** prior to all matches (referee check-in).**

The U13-19 *Team Roster* may have up to a maximum of 22 players but the **Game Roster** is limited to a maximum of 18 players (taken from the 22 player Team Roster). The Cup Game Roster is created by simply crossing-out the “in-active” players on the Team Roster. The players not participating in the game may be on the bench but they may not be in uniform.

Please review the above guidelines with coaches before the game begins. Get a “State Cup” roster, ½ game fee (cash) from each team, and laminated player pass cards when you check the players in. No player can play until a valid pass card is presented – NO EXCEPTIONS! Each team is allowed to have up to 4 coaches/team administrators with the team and show a valid passcard. Start the game on time – the game must be finished before darkness unless field has lights. There is a 15 minute grace period unless otherwise notified.

**Referees should read the 2015 State Cup Rules and Procedures:**

[http://www.mayouthsoccer.org/tournaments/state\\_cup.aspx](http://www.mayouthsoccer.org/tournaments/state_cup.aspx)

**Fees: U13-U14 \$120/game (50-35-35) U15-U17 \$150/game (70-40-40).**

**Each team is required to pay 1/2 the game fee to the referees prior to kickoff.**

If any unusual situation occurs that might affect the game from being played/completed, all three officials should try to resolve it immediately. If necessary, call me on my cell phone – if I’m not available, call the State Cup Director. Every effort must be made to play the game.

Thunderstorms require the game to be stopped until they pass – there is no maximum time limit to wait – just wait. Player safety comes first but as a general rule: Rain only – play! Muddy field – play!

| <u>Age</u> | <u>Regulation Halves</u> | <u>Ball Size</u> |
|------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| U13        | 35 Minutes               | 5                |
| U14        | 35 Minutes               | 5                |
| U15        | 40 Minutes               | 5                |
| U16        | 40 Minutes               | 5                |
| U17        | 45 Minutes               | 5                |
| U18        | 45 Minutes               | 5                |
| U19        | 45 Minutes               | 5                |

**State Cup Round Robin matches do not require a winner.**

Thank you,

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