



Livermore Referee Association

Referee Calendar of Events



No May meeting, enjoy the holiday
 June 1st LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR 2002!
 June 24th LRA meeting
 June 29-30th June Cup, Livermore
 August 10-11 Livermore Girls Soccer Festival
 September 1st Fun Run, Pleasanton Middle School 7 PM



Meeting Agenda

May meeting: Take the month off, enjoy the holiday; we will hold our next meeting on June 24th at the normal time at the normal place.

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Clinics, you want clinics? We got clinics!

Newbie or Oldie, District 3 has the clinic for you. District 3 will be presenting a pair of clinics coming up in July. The clinic on July 27 will be for referees with 3 or fewer years of experience. The clinic on July 28 will be for referees with more than 3 years experience. More information to come soon so keep checking the District 3 website at <http://www.d3ra.com>.

The University of the Pacific Referee Clinic will be held at UOP in Stockton on August 2-4. This year the clinic will focus on referees with 5 years or more of experience and referees thinking of upgrading from 6 to 5. Your editor went to the UOP clinic last year and had a great time and learned a lot. More details will be posted here as they become available.



**PROCRASTINATORS,
Do it this week!!**



June 1, that's right - **June 1**, repeat **JUNE 1** is the last day to get your registration in for the 2002 season. If you aren't registered by then, you can't do games when the season starts this fall! I know it's \$25, but if you do five games we will reimburse you for it. **NO EXCUSES** get that registration in. You can even get the form online. Go to http://www.cnra.net/ftp.cnra.net/RegForm/regform_fillin.pdf, fill out the form and send it to the CNRA address on the form. Don't wait, do it tonight, the kids need you out there this fall. OH, by the way, registration for 2003 opens in July, you can't be too early.

**Check it out, BRIAN HALL
WORLD CUP REPORTS AVAILABLE
ONLINE!**

A special feature available at ussoccer.com will be first-person accounts of the World Cup experience from the eyes of Brian Hall, who will file a number of reports from Japan, as he becomes the first American-born referee to work a World Cup. Hall's reports will be featured in the "Breaking Down the Cup" section of ussoccer.com



**Going on the road?
Don't forget!**

Referees traveling are asked to notify the District 3 offices (just drop them an email via their website) if they plan to referee outside the district (and especially if they referee outside the state). This is necessary to ensure full protection of the group insurance that comes through the district.

What's your call?...



1. What may the team captain do?
2. What is the proper procedure for indicating direction of (a) direct kick (b) throw in?
3. Identify the following ref "short-hand": DFK, DT, S, GA, FRD, DGH, PI, E, VC, DR.

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Plan your vacation early; local tournaments will be coming up soon!

August kicks off tournament season in earnest in the Tri-Valley area. Following is a list of upcoming local tournaments.

August 3-4	San Ramon Valley Cup DVSC Gold Cup
August 10-11	Livermore Girls Soccer Festival Mustang Stampede Classic
August 17-19	Ballistic Summer Soccer Classic
August 24-25	Livermore Boys Summer Classic Pleasanton Soccer-city Warm-up Shamrock Invitational Tournament
August 31-Sept 1	Mustang Devil Mountain Tournament
August 31-Sept 2	Pleasanton Friendship Classic



Hey Ref! What are you gonna do?

1. It's late Saturday afternoon on the first youth tournament of the season and you need a winner in this U14G game to determine who makes it to which bracket on Sunday. The Real and the Fury have fought to a 3-3 tie through regulation and overtime and you are into KFTPM. You are AR on this match and serving as goal judge. It's been a long day and you wish these kids would wrap it up but each side is 6 for 6 on kicks and neither team shows any sign of missing. The seventh Real kicker sends a wicked shot toward the lower left corner of the net. The Fury keeper tries for a diving save but only succeeds in landing awkwardly on her hand. She gets up, holding her thumb, in obvious pain. The Center talks to her and you can see her nodding her head "yes". She sits outside the PA, her head down, while her teammate rockets the next shot home. As you look up after the shot, you can see the Fury keeper already heading for the touchline towards her coach, followed hurriedly by the Center, trying to catch up. As they near the touchline, the Fury Coach calls out "She's injured, she can't play, I want to sub for her". On hearing this, the Real Coach gets up "They can't do that, you can't sub during kicks. You have to play with who was on the field. One of their players already out there has to play goalie, I pull one off, and we go on with ten players each." You think, "Boy, I hope the Center passed this part of the test".

2. "Ok, let's see if I can drop this right on the eight!" You are the left midfielder on the U16B Cosmos and right now you are concentrating on taking this corner kick. It's almost halftime and if you can turn this into a goal, you will have tied it up. Not bad against the Sharks, a team that has easily beaten you twice already. Bang! The kick is off, and rebounds off the goalpost. "Rats!" The ball is headed right back to you. "Don't touch it, don't touch it". Ben, your striker, is yelling at you and you can spot him racing after the ball. You can still get a score. But you also see a Cosmos defender running hard to beat Ben to the ball. "Well, I may not be able to play it but I sure can shield it." You run to the now slowly moving ball and position yourself two-feet away, shielding it from the oncoming defender. You feel the Cosmos defender bump you in the back as Ben collects the ball and moves away. You turn to rejoin play and ...

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Answers to What's your call?...



1. The team captain has no more right to question the decisions of the referee than any other player. The role of the team captain is described in the USSF publication "Advice to Referees on the Laws of the Game": 19.4 THE ROLE OF THE TEAM CAPTAIN. The role of the team captain is not defined in the Laws of the Game. He usually wears an armband. The captain is responsible to the referee for his team, but has no special rights or privileges. By practice and tradition, certain duties fall upon the team captain: see that the referee's decisions are respected by his teammates and by team officials; counsel a teammate who may be reluctant to leave the field at a substitution, but neither the captain nor the referee may insist that the player leave; represent his or her team at the coin toss to determine which direction the team will attack to begin the game (and subsequent overtime periods) or which team will take first kick in kicks from the penalty mark; be the team representative to whom the referee must go to obtain the name or names of members of that team who must be withdrawn from participating in kicks from the penalty mark in order to match the size of the opposing team (which has fewer players on the field before or during the kicks from the penalty mark procedure as a result of injury or misconduct).
2. Free kick: FIFA asks the referee to hold their arm at a 45-degree angle above the horizontal and in the direction of the kick when indicating a free kick. This is done for both direct and indirect free kicks. For an indirect free kick, the referee then moves to their position for the kick and raises their arm straight up to indicate that the kick is indirect, rather than direct, lowering the arm only when a second player has touched or played the ball or the ball has gone out of play. Throw-in: There is no prescribed FIFA signal for the referee to use in indicating direction of a throw-in. The usual practice is to signal at approximately 45 degrees in the direction of the throw, but no particular angle is required.
3. DFK=direct free kick, DT=Dissent, S=Spitting, GA=Goal Area, FRD=Fails to respect required distance (10 yds.), DGH=Denies goal with handball, PI=Persistent infringement, E=Enters or re-enters without referee's permission, VC=violent conduct, DR=Delays restart.



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Hey Ref, What are you gonna do?

1. Go ahead and sub. Normally a coach may not substitute in a player to replace the goalkeeper for KFTPM. Why? The rules for KFTPM provide that only players who are on the field of play at the end of the match, which includes extra time where appropriate, are allowed to take part in KFTPM. They provide further than an eligible player may change places with the goalkeeper at any time when KFTPM are being taken. There is one loophole. A goalkeeper, who is injured during KFTPM and is unable to continue as goalkeeper may be replaced by a named substitute, provided her team has not used the maximum number of substitutes permitted under the rules of competition.



2. REF, YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING! Because you already kicked the ball, you may no longer play the ball until someone else has played it. Thus your impeding is unfair and violates the provision of Law 12 regarding impeding the progress of an opponent. You may be charged from behind by an opponent (as long as it is not done carelessly, recklessly, or with excessive force) who wishes to dispossess you of the ball. On this play, the referee properly stopped play and awarded the Sharks an indirect free kick.

Thanks to Jim Allen's "Ask the Ref" website



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