

LUFC

Referee Game Checklist

What to Bring:

- Whistle
- Watch
- Red and Yellow Cards
- Pay Sheet
- Pen or Pencil
- Wear your Referee Shirt
- Coin
- Rule Book
- Site Map – Know your field assignments
- Duffel bag for personal property
- Coach/Fan comment card
- Your Game Schedule
- Contact List

Helpful Hints

- Know the Rules
- Work Enthusiastically
- Blow your whistle for everyone to hear.
- Announce your call
- Use hand signals
- Use whistle to control and stop the game

Before the Game:

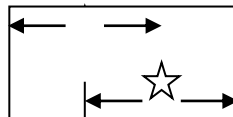
- Introduce yourself to Coaches
- Teams on same side of field – Spectators on opposite side
- Request cones to mark corners
- Request game ball
- Inspect Players: (Call players to midfield for inspection using your whistle)
 - ✓ Shin Guards fully covered by socks
 - ✓ Shirt tucked In
 - ✓ No pockets, belt loops, zippers or other clothing posing a safety hazard
 - ✓ Spikes must not be metal and no toe cleats
 - ✓ Jewelry removed – Pierced earrings **removed.**
 - ✓ No casts
 - ✓ No Baseball Hats (Goalie can if sun in eyes) or Bandannas
 - ✓ Goalie must wear different color
 - ✓ Hooded Sweatshirts cannot be worn over the head and must be tucked inside shirt
- Instruct Players on your expectations – (Do not push, Slide Tackles, Throw-Ins, Off-side, Substitutions...Specify how you will call U-8)
- **START GAMES ON TIME** – Do not allow on field warm-ups if past start time.

Coin Toss:

- Team Captains called to Center circle (Show head/tails of Coin) (If no coin, use fingers behind back)
- Select team to call toss
- Winning team selects the goal to defend or kickoff. If selecting kickoff, other team selects goal to defend.

Referee Position:

Diagonals when using 2 Officials:



Official

Center Field if Officiating Alone:



Linesman-Parent

Half Time: 5 Minutes



Conclusion of Game:

- Teams shake hands – watch for problems/poor sportsmanship
- Coaches to sign game card

Report any problems, cards, serious injuries or concussions to Referee Coordinator.