

Parry Sound Soccer Club Referees & Facilitators



Equipment Checklist

Be sure to arrive to the field with...

- whistle
- watch and/or timer (not a phone)
- water
- uniform: shirt, shorts, socks, shoes
- referee patch
- red & yellow cards
- pen or pencil
- coin
- sunblock

Prior to the Match Checklist

Be sure to...

Check the field:

- Put corner flags out.
- Put the retreat line markers out (if applicable).
- Ensure nothing dangerous on the field.
- Ensure goals are secure.
- Verify that the nets fastened and safe.
- Scan to check whether lines marked and clear.

Prepare for the match:

- Introduce yourself/yourselves to the coaches.
- Participate in the Soccer Activity (if applicable).
- Verify the rules for the division.
- Check the balls (inflated, no tears, size: U8 - 3, U10/12 - 4, U16 - 5).
- Coin toss.
- Decide who will call half-time and full-time (if 2 referees are being used).

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During the Match Checklist

Throughout the game be sure...

- Referees/assistants run the diagonal.
- Players and spectators are back from the touch line.
- Players and spectators are not behind the goals.
- Players wear shinguards.
- No jewelry is worn.
- Every player is in uniform.
- Uniform is worn properly:
 - socks over shinguards
 - shirts are tucked-in
 - goalkeeper in different colour
- Players understand the game:
 - talk to players
 - explain the rules if needed
 - demonstrate if needed
- Use "advantage" and "play-on" as appropriate

After the Match Checklist

Be sure to...

- Hand the ball(s) to the appropriate coach.
- Return corner flags to the shed.
- Reflect/discuss incidents in the match with partner/assistants.
- Complete game sheet and submit to the box in the shed.**
- Take the appropriate copy of the game sheet (for proof of officiating).
- Notify Head Referee of any unusual/inappropriate issues.

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Suggested communication during matches

Use your whistle to communicate.

Blow Whistle

- when it is time for kick-off
- to signal fouls
- to take a free kick IF player taking kick has asked for 10 yards
- to take penalty kick
- if play does not stop when ball is out
- half-time and full-time
- ...avoid blowing the whistle at all other times

Use half-time

- address issues with coaches
- clarify or explain rules with players/coaches

Be Prepared to Explain (to players, and spectators alike)

- kick-offs must go forward
- “high kick” is dangerous play
- throw-in technique
- where to put the ball on a corner kick
- retreat line
- substitution procedure

Always consider yourself an on-field coach; assist players when the match is stopped.

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Parry Sound Soccer Club Fair Play Code of Conduct for Referees

As a referee, game facilitator, and/ or referee's assistant, I will...

Act with Integrity

Specifically, referees shall:

- Conduct themselves in an appropriate manner and carry out their duties to the best of their ability;
- Seek support/ guidance advice from peers, colleagues, mentors;
- Honour all refereeing commitments except in the case of serious illness or unexpected circumstances and in such circumstances to notify, in a timely manner, the appropriate people or where appropriate to make alternative arrangements;
- Act to stop or limit the activities of a player, coach, parent, spectator or referee that may be harmful or unethical.

Demonstrate Competence

Specifically referees shall:

- Develop the skills and knowledge required appropriate to the level they wish to officiate at;
- Engage in continuing learning in terms of refereeing;
- Participate in and contribute to the continuing development of refereeing;
- Seek assistance or advice when needed from other members of the referee team

Earn and Act with Respect

Specifically, referees shall:

- Treat all players, coaches and officials with respect, regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, race, culture, religious belief or other difference;
- Safeguard the respect of players and coaches;
- Take the necessary preventative actions so as not to allow situations where individuals' respect or dignity could be undermined in the context of age, gender, disability *etc.*

Be Responsible

Specifically, referees shall:

- Be aware of their responsibilities to the players and teams in the game and level at which they are officiating
- Shall be responsible for their actions and carry out their duties to the best of their ability.
- Do their best to create a fun, learning environment for players to enjoy the game of soccer.

I HAVE READ, AND AGREE TO FOLLOW, THE FAIR PLAY CODE FOR PARRY SOUND SOCCER CLUB.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____