



Announcer and Time Clock

Code of Conduct:

First and foremost PYF would like to thank you for volunteering your time. Whether you're a Parent Coach or just a Parent donating your time as the game announcer or running the time clock, the time you put in is extremely valuable to our organization and is paramount in regards to the success of this amazing youth football program moving forward.

As the Announcer or Clock Official you are technically a part of the officiating team and are expected to act in a professional manner. As a volunteer member of the Officiating team you will always defer to the Head Official on the field. Whether you agree with the calls and times determined by the Head Officials on the field you will maintain complete impartiality at all times (remember it's about the kids). We understand that the vast majority of the time that you as a volunteer will most likely have a child either playing in the game or at least a child playing for PYF and that being neutral and non biased is crucial for maintaining a professional experience for spectators and helps the continuity of game flow.

Announcer:

Usually before the game starts we would appreciate it if you went down on the field and introduce yourself to the Officials and let them know that you are here to help them and work with them for the sake of the game. You will want to seek out the Head Coaches of each team to gather any rosters that may be available. Again this will help make the game more enjoyable for players and spectators. All parents and players love hearing their names called out over the PA when they have made a great play (again it's about the kids).

You will also, from time to time, be expected to announce information for the Concessions and Admissions Volunteers during halftime or between games if you are announcing more than one game back to back. In addition, it has been normal for some announcers to play music during half time and between games as well. We do ask you to keep the music appropriate for all spectators. Just because you like it doesn't mean everyone else will. Remember we will have young children and the elderly attending these games. Foul or obscene language in the music will not be tolerated and will result in the denial to volunteer for this duty in the future.

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Time Clock Official:

As with the Announcer we would recommend you find the Officials on the field and introduce yourself as the Clock Official. Go over some of the time rules with them ahead of time so there is minimal confusion during game time. Running the clock can be a little complicated at times, but don't worry, the Field Officials will always face you and the announcer as to make sure that you can clearly hear their calls and see the hand signals. If you are not as experienced with the clock panel just do what you can do. The most important part of running the clock is game flow and time management. In this league we have what is referred to as the "Mercy Rule" where when one team is ahead of the other team by a certain amount the scores will be zeroed out and the game play time will run continuously with the exception of time outs and change of possession.

Any other questions or issues can be referenced by the Time clock user's manual kept with the clock panel and the Officials signal reference guide that should be kept in a binder inside the announcer's booth along with the NYFL rules.

PYF would like to thank you one more time for the time and work you put in as a volunteer. Your efforts are a crucial part of what makes PYF a successful youth football program. The success that our young athletes achieve as High School Football players is partly due to your time invested in them and games they play along their journey up through the ranks from Mighty Mites in Elementary to their first year as Freshman in high school.

GO TIDES AND GO SEAHAWKS!!!!!!!!!!

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