

## ASC Spring 2018 Referee Meeting Agenda – Certified Grade 8 Referees' Meeting

1. Check-in and explain mentoring program, signup sheet. Can count as community service time for high school referee mentors.
2. Code of Conduct and Game Day Reminders.
3. Referee Certification and Preliminary Important Steps for newly certified referees – see numbers 2 and 3 under USSF Referee Grade 8 Certification. 2 = go to [www.bays.org](http://www.bays.org) and follow the process for Creating a Referee Account, including applying to Arlington and 3 = contact Paul A at [paul2319@gmail.com](mailto:paul2319@gmail.com) and let him know you passed course and want to referee for Arlington. Paul will set you up with a USOfficials account if you do not already have one. You cannot be assigned games until you take care of these two important tasks.
4. Game assignments – All referees must input availability at [www.usofficials.com](http://www.usofficials.com) by Sunday night for the following weekend and accept/reject games at [www.usofficials.com](http://www.usofficials.com) by Wednesday night.
5. Game reports (and payment) – Complete within 24 hours of the game.

All in-town games are reported to USOfficials

BAYS games are reported to BAYS only (with exceptions noted below). Referees and ARs for BAYS games should receive an email to login to accept or reject a game. When they accept, a link to the game report will be provided.

BAYS Grade 5 ARs and 6 ARs need to report on USOfficials to get paid.

Payment for in-town and BAYS happens about three times each season and should happen automatically if you have entered game reports to the appropriate sites.

6. Summary of 2017-2018 Changes to the Current Laws of the Game. The Laws of the Game can be found at [theifab.com/laws](http://theifab.com/laws).
  - Kickoff can go in any direction, including backwards and must clearly move. Kicker can be in the offensive half but should be within a playable distance of the ball.
  - If a dropped ball enters the goal without touching at least 2 players (same as an indirect free kick), restart (for the opponent) is either a goal kick if it goes in the opponent's goal or a corner kick if it goes in team who kicked its goal.
  - DFK for throwing or kicking ball/object onto the field to interfere with play/someone and DFK on boundary line for throwing or kicking ball/object at someone off the field
  - A substitute who comes into the game on a throw-in must step onto the field prior to taking a throw-in.
7. Miscellaneous Items
  - Reminder to BAYS referees – need to check coaches' credentials (can be current BAYS coach card or MYSA lanyard for spring 2018, after that must be current MYSA lanyard) and players' passcards for Spring Grade 6 and above, Divisions 1 and 2 only, and all Grade 12 games.
  - BAYS sends automated emails when referee assignments are made/changed, even if the game is in the past... no need to worry about it if we're correcting a change that happened.
  - Under no circumstances should a referee submit a game report for a game he/she doesn't do - it is harder to change once report is submitted.
  - If any same-day changes happen, contact both Paul Athanasiadis at [paul2319@gmail.com](mailto:paul2319@gmail.com) and Arlington's Referee contact via BAYS website under Referee Section, enter Arlington Soccer Club, look for Organization Members and Referee Assignor
  - Referees in school grade 9 or above can sign up for Central Assigning at BAYS website. This allows you to be assigned to Sunday high school games. You may get assigned games outside of Arlington so should be sure you are able to reject these games if need be.
8. Future Questions:
  - Questions about referee assignments, contact Paul Athanasiadis at [paul2319@gmail.com](mailto:paul2319@gmail.com)
  - Other questions, contact Lori Barry-Smith at [lori.barrysmith@gmail.com](mailto:lori.barrysmith@gmail.com)