

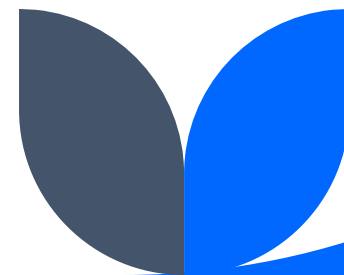
CDYSL
Board of Directors Meeting
February 12, 2026

Agenda

Roll Call

Review of January 8, 2026 – General Board Meeting Minutes

Treasure's Report



President Report

- Preliminary Team Placements were posted on February 10th
- Appeals for Team Placements must be received before 11:59pm on Feb. 15th.
- Games committee spent an extraordinary amount of time researching each team for the proper placement. Coaches need to be honest on where their teams should be so that we don't have lop sided games.
- All club administrators, coaches and assistant coaches should plan on attending the Appeals meeting for their age division. Even if your team is not appealing, you may want to make sure that your division is protected.
- Once the Appeals meeting is concluded on each night, there will not be any other team movement during the season.
- Games Committee has heard your ideas and have worked hard to make sure the Division are balanced to the best of their ability. Unfortunately, there will always be issues.

APPEALS MEETING DATES

Monday, February 23rd - u10 & u12 Boys; 6:30 - 7:30pm

Monday, February 23rd - u14 & u16 Boys; 7:30-8:30pm

**Location: CDPHP Fitness Connection at the Ciccotti Center, 30 Aviation Rd
Albany 12205**

Tuesday, February 24th - u10 & u12 Girls; 6:30 - 7:30pm

Tuesday, February 24th - u14 & u16 Girls; 7:30- 8:30pm

**Location: CDPHP Fitness Connection at the Ciccotti Center, 30 Aviation Rd
Albany 12205**

Wednesday, February 25th - u8 BOYS/GIRLS 6:30 - 7:30pm

Wednesday, February 25th - HIGH SCHOOL BOYS AND GIRLS 7:30 - 8:30pm

Location: CDYSL OFFICE 24 Aviation Rd Albany, NY 12205



APPEALS

Mandatory Coaches Meeting for Coaches with 3 or less seasons, coaching Spring Travel

Wednesday, March 4th 7:00-9:00pm

U8, U10 and U12 Boys/Girls

**Location: Ciccotti Center, 30 Aviation Rd
Albany NY**

Topics

Game Rules for each level

- **Game Procedure**
- **Referee Guidelines**
- **Game Day Roster Limits**
 - **Match Day Card**
 - **Club Pass Players**
- **Zero Tolerance Review**
- **Red/Yellow Card Policy**

Thursday, March 5th 7:00-9:00pm

U14, U16, and High School Boys/Girls

**Location: Ciccotti Center, 30 Aviation Rd
Albany NY**

Topics

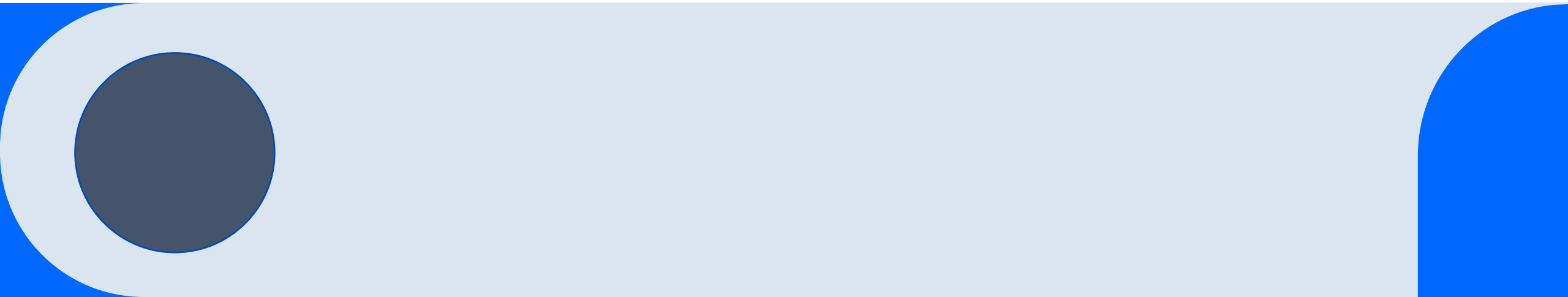
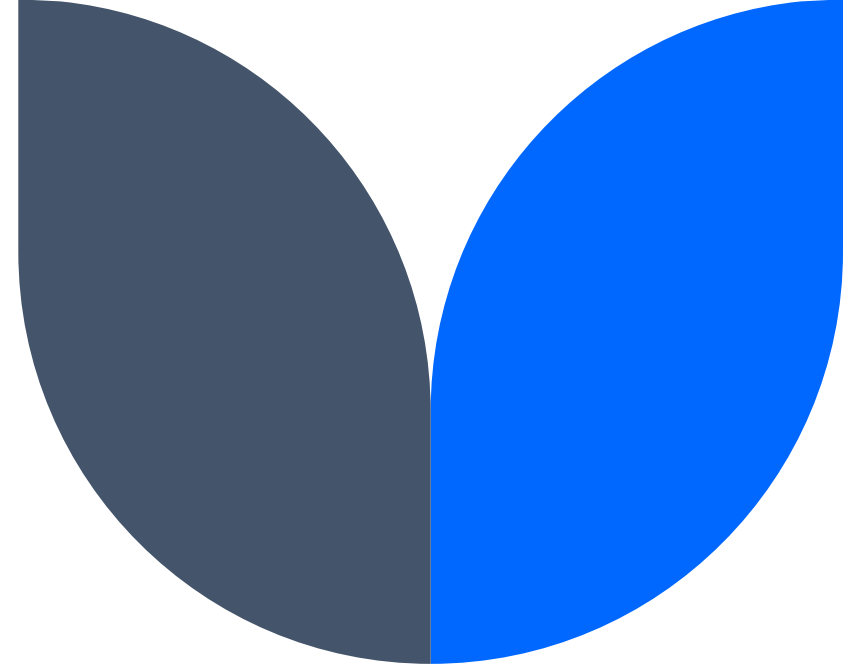
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Executive Director Report – Paul Bascomb

League Operations Director – Gillian Dessis-Dinneen



Standing Committee Reports

- Appeals Committee –NA
- Arbitration Committee- NA
- Games Committee
 - Games committee met with clubs on January 20 for another Round Table Discussion
 - Game committee held a Team Placement meeting Feb 4th and teams were placed into Divisions and Groups
 - CDYSL met with CDRef to discuss the upcoming Spring Travel Season
 - Slides 9, 10, & 11 – Match Day Card, Primary Roster
 - Importance of Jersey numbers on the Primary Roster

Association: NYE

Season:

Division:



Team Number: 512181



Age: U9

Gender: Male

Level: Travel

Color:

	Role	Name	Reg#	Phone	Email/UserID
	Coach (Primary)	McGinnis, Wesley	14963933		wjmcgin@gmail.com
	Coach (Assistant 1)	Adili, Eglusel	13860038		eglusel.adili@dusc.net
	Coach (Assistant 2)	Bah, Abdoulaye	20940030	+13323739398	abdoulaye.bah@dusc.net
	Coach (Assistant 3)	Maya Serna, Carlos	20273153		mauricio.maya@dusc.net

	User Image	Name	Jersey	Reg#	DOB	m/f	Status	Assignment/Approved Date
1		Aseff, Gabriel	32	14772429	07/2016	M	P	07/17/24 / 07/17/24
2		Ezra, Levi	16	21738492	10/2016	M	P	07/17/24 / 07/17/24



**Field: Major R. Owens Health & Wellness Community Center -
Bedford Union Armory: Full Field**

Date: 05/03/25

Time: 09:00AM EDT

Male U9 - U9 Born 2016 (7v7) D3 Gold

Game#: 1074

H KINGS COUNTY SOCCER CLUB KINGS COUNTY 2016 (CRUSADERS)					Score:
1. Gabriel Aseff	2. Levi Ezra	3. Alexander Freylejer	4. Jon Hajdari	5. Richard Kempton	
6. Preston Lai-Jones	7. Kirill McNaughton	8. Magnus Pallordet	9. Aidan Pitters	10. Terry Potter	
11. Quinn Schultz	12. Alexander Vitolo	13. Theo Walsh	14. Toby Wu		

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Coach	14963933				Wesley Mcginnis	
Coach	13860038				Eglusel Adili	
Coach	20940030				Abdoulaye Bah	
Coach	20273153				Carlos Maya Serna	
ID	#	Name	✓	DOB	Yellow	Red
1	14772429	32 Gabriel Aseff		07/16		
2	21738492	16 Levi Ezra		10/16		
3	24630087	2 Alexander Freylejer		08/16		
4	21638595	50 Jon Hajdari		08/16		
5	30165620	4 Richard Kempton		08/16		
6	27007950	52 Preston Lai-Jones		07/16		
7	29345070	7 Kirill McNaughton		07/16		
8	14773110	13 Magnus Pallordet		05/16		
9	21130458	18 Aidan Pitters		01/17		
10	21130506	19 Terry Potter		05/17		
11	21809431	20 Quinn Schultz		07/16		
12	20793245	43 Alexander Vitolo		02/16		
13	21130755	25 Theo Walsh		03/17		
14	14772706	22 Toby Wu		02/16		

Staff

1. Wesley Mcginnis Coach	2. Eglusel Adili Coach	3. Abdoulaye Bah Coach	4. Carlos Maya Serna Coach

Team Color 1
Team Color 2

Home Goals								Final Score
By #	Min.	By #	Min.	By #	Min.	By #	Min.	

Home Official Sign

By signing this report you agree all items reported are valid

Team Color 1
Team Color 2

Away Goals								Final Score
By #	Min.	By #	Min.	By #	Min.	By #	Min.	

Away Official Sign

By signing this report you agree all items reported are valid

Referees	Grade	USSF ID Number	Instructions/Notes

Cautionable Offense Codes	Sending-Off Offense Codes
UB = Unsporting Behavior	SFP = Serious foul play
DT = Dissent by word or action	VC = Violent conduct
PI = Persistent infringement	AL = Offensive, insulting, or abusive language
DR = Delays restart of play	DGH = Denies opposing team of obvious goal-scoring opportunity
FRD = Fails to respect required distance	DGF = Denies obvious goal-scoring opportunity to an opponent
L = Leaves the field without permission	S = Spits at opponent
E = Enters the field without permission	2CT = Receives 2nd caution



Capital District Youth Soccer League
Minimum/Maximum Roster Size, Game Day Roster Size
& Number of Club Pass Players on Game Day

Age Division	Minimum # Players on Roster	Maximum # Primary Players on Roster	Total # of Club Pass Players allowed on roster
U8 - U19	7	22	8

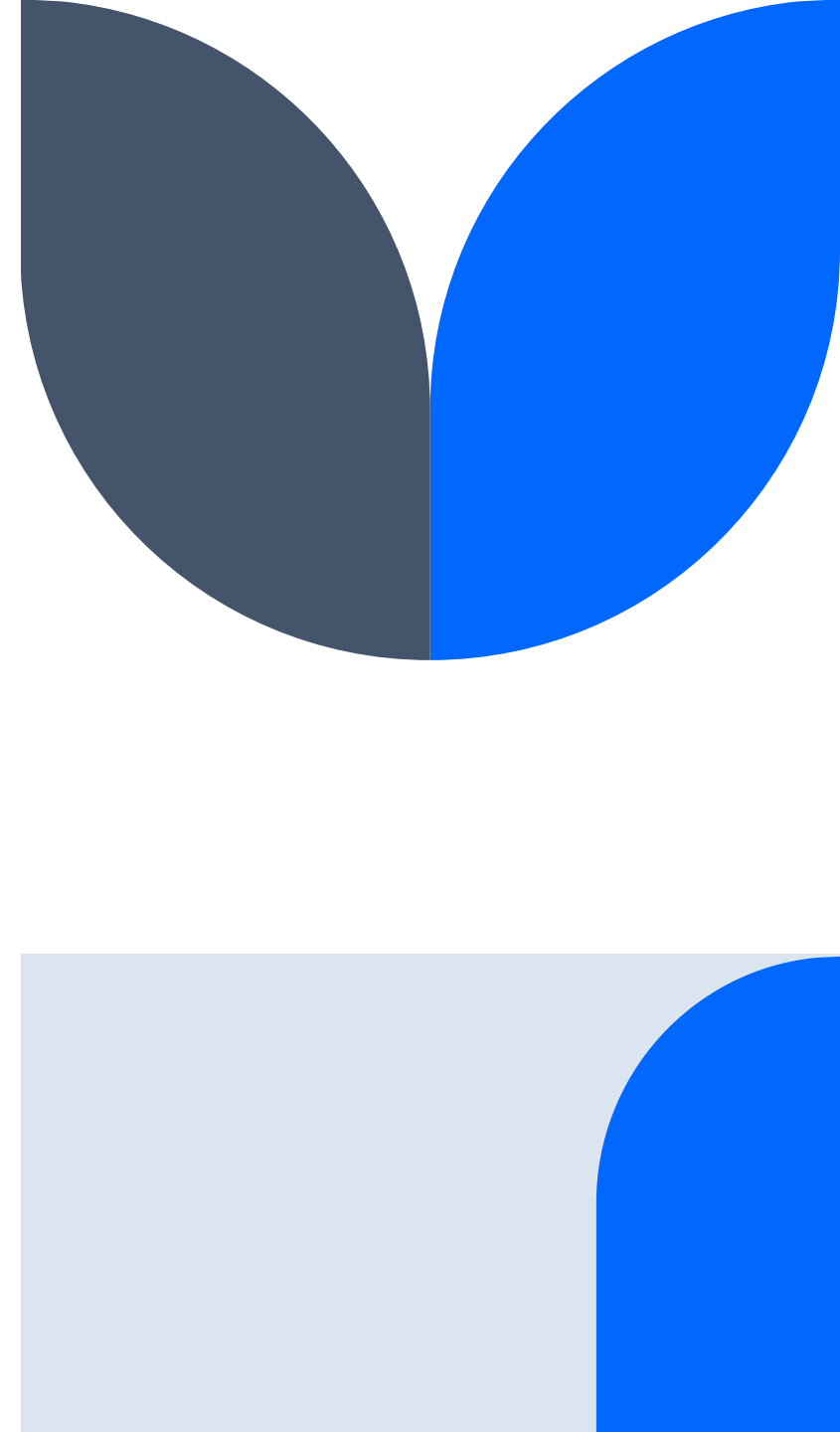
CDYSL GAME DAY ROSTER SIZES:

Age Division	Minimum # of players to start a CDYSL game	Maximum # of players able to play on Game Day including club pass players	# of Club Pass Players allowed to participate in Game Day
U8	1 squad- 3 v 3	14	7
U9 - U10	5	14	7
U11 - U12	7	16	11
U13 - U19	7	18	11

- ❖ 12U teams playing in State Cup as "Travel" roster max is 16
- ❖ 13U & up teams playing in State Cup as "Travel" roster is max 18
- ❖ Players not participating in a CDYSL match must be crossed off the roster
- ❖ CDYSL matches must have a printed copy for the referee or match is cancelled

Age Division	Allowable Number of Club Pass Players to participate in Game Day
U8 - U12	Up to 7 Club Pass Players
U12 - U19	Up to 11 Club Pass Players

- ❖ All Rules of the Club Pass Player Policy and Roster Rules for Game Day must be followed
- ❖ **Each team must provide the Referee with a copy of the Printed Match Day Card with player's photos. NO EXCEPTION ACCEPTED**
- ❖ Each team must be able to give the opposing coach a printed copy of the Match Day Card with player's photos if requested.





Feb. 28 - Last Day to Withdrawal a Team

April 1 - Rosters lock

March 4- 8U, 10U & 12U Coaches Meeting

March 5 - U13 up to High School Coaches Meeting

March 10 - Game Schedule Posted

March 10-24th Free Rescheduling Period (ends 3/24 at 11:59pm)

April 19 - League Play 1st game

- **Weather related cancellations Form-**
- By 4:30pm weekdays
- By 10:00am weekends

- **Rescheduling games Form**
- must have opposing coach agree





Finances Committee – NA

Membership Committee

2nd reading for new Limited Membership North County SC
1st reading for new Limited Membership BUSA – Brazilian United Soccer

Nomination Committee

Risk Management Committee

Looking for Chairperson


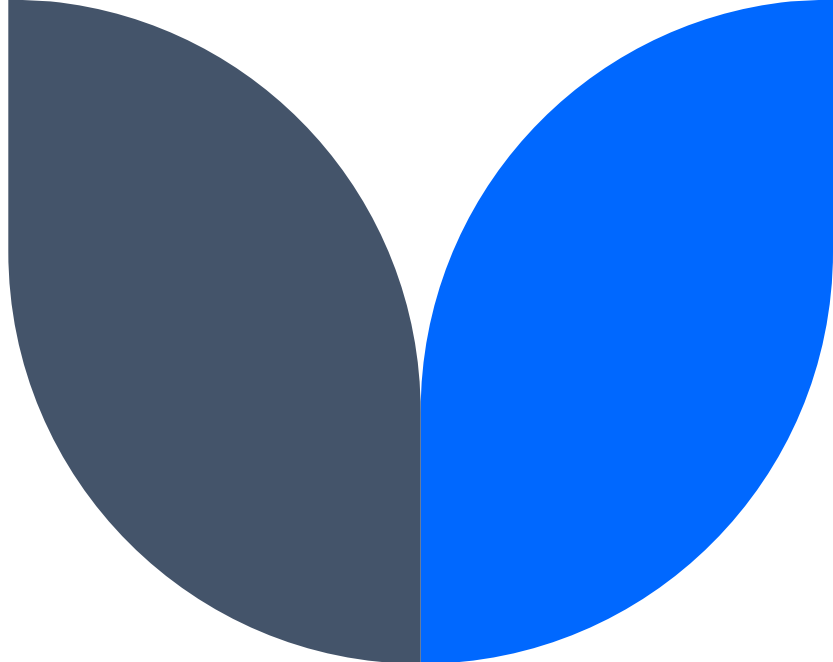

Rules Committee – Joe McCollum

Amendment of Rules & Regulation for Tryouts & Poaching
Amendment of Rules & Regulation for 08U & 10U

Scholarship Committee

Zero Tolerance Committee

Review of Zero Tolerance – Policy 531-9



NON-PHYSICAL ABUSE

LEVEL 1: VERBAL TAUNTING

Speech or gestures intended to belittle the referee, damage their credibility, and undermine their ability to effectively officiate the game.

DEFINITION

Insulting, Belittling, Insinuating or Taunting Behavior
Undermining Referee Authority.

EXAMPLES

- **Questioning Competence:**
"Do you even know the rules?"
- **Mocking Appearance or Abilities:**
"Did you forget your glasses?"
- **Accusations of Bias:**
"What's the other team paying you?"
- **Dismissive Language:**
"You suck."
- **Aggressive Tone:**
"You're the worst ref we've ever had."

RECOMMENDED APPROACH

If you have concerns about a call, respectfully ask the referee for clarification. Share your perspective calmly, avoiding yelling, insults, or offensive gestures.

Disclaimer: These are only a few examples of abuse – other actions or statements may also fall into this category.



NON-PHYSICAL ABUSE

LEVEL 2: HARASSMENT/INTIMIDATION

Occurs when language or body language is intended to make a referee feel unsafe but where the threat of violence remains unspoken.

DEFINITION

Harassment, Intimidation, Retaliation, Abusive or Threatening (Non-Physical) Language.

EXAMPLES

- **Using Expletives:**

*"That call was complete \$H*t!"*

- **Personal Attacks:**

"You're a F-ing joke!"

- **Escalating Intensity:**

*"You can't make a single good f***** call!"*

- **Getting In The Referee's Face.**

RECOMMENDED APPROACH

Take a moment to gather yourself before you speak to the referee. Ask for clarification calmly, aiming for constructive communication rather than causing conflict.

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NON-PHYSICAL ABUSE

LEVEL 3: THREATS/DEROGATORY LANGUAGE

When aggressive language or threats of violence enter the mix – or when abuse spills online.

DEFINITION

Aggression, Attacking, Derogatory, Cyberbullying, Doxing, or Threatening (Physical / Violence) Language.

EXAMPLES

- **Threatening To Inflict Harm On A Referee:**

- “You’re gonna pay for that!”
- “I’ll see you in the parking lot”
- “I’m going to shove that card down your throat!”
- “You better watch your back!”

- **Public Attacks Online** such as uploading a post to social media attacking the referee.

RECOMMENDED APPROACH

When you feel frustrated by a referee’s call, take a moment to pause and breathe. Reflect on how your reaction impacts your experience and the overall atmosphere of the game for everyone involved.

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NON-PHYSICAL ABUSE

LEVEL 4: OFFENSIVE OR DISCRIMINATORY ACT



U.S. Soccer is inclusive of everyone. Discrimination – attacking referees for who they are, or offending their dignity – will not be tolerated.

DEFINITION

Discriminatory or derogatory words or actions on account of race, skin color, ethnicity, nationality, social origin, gender, disability, sexual orientation, language, or religion.

EXAMPLES

- Racial or ethnic slurs.
- Offensive gestures.
- Homophobic language.
- Using harmful or sexist stereotypes.

RECOMMENDED APPROACH

Remember that soccer is for everyone. We're all human, and everybody deserves the opportunity to enjoy the game without being made to feel bad about who they are.

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Physical Abuse

Remember that Referees with a GREEN badge are MINORS and all penalties are 3x the initial penalty



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PHYSICAL ABUSE

LEVEL 1: MINOR OR SLIGHT TOUCHING



Even minor deliberate touches can be unwanted and make referees feel unsafe and are considered physical abuse.

DEFINITION

Minor or Slight Deliberate Touching.

EXAMPLES

- Tapping the referee's shoulder to get their attention.
- Touching the referee's chest with your finger.
- Grabbing the referee's jersey to get their attention.
- Intentionally bumping lightly into the referee.

RECOMMENDED APPROACH

Respectfully get the referee's attention without touching them – and, even in the heat of the moment, make a conscious effort to keep your hands to yourself.

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PHYSICAL ABUSE

LEVEL 2: INTENTIONAL CONFRONTATION



Escalation of using contact to intimidate or provoke a physical confrontation – or causing damage to property – without the intent to cause bodily harm.

DEFINITION

Pushing, Grabbing, Pulling, Squeezing, Pinching, Lightly Slapping, Use of Object in Non-Striking Manner, or Physical Property Damage

EXAMPLES

- Shoving the referee.
- Forcefully grabbing the referee's arm.
- Throwing a water bottle at the ground in front of the referee.
- Dumping the referee's bag into a trashcan.
- Aggressively grabbing the referee's jersey.
- Following the referee to the parking lot or to their car.

RECOMMENDED APPROACH

Understand that this behavior not only won't change the outcome on the field, it will keep you out of the game for a long time. Channel that energy to drive better on-field performance. Remove yourself from the situation if you need to calm down.

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PHYSICAL ABUSE

LEVEL 3: VIOLENT CONTACT



Malicious, violent contact intended to cause bodily harm – this is considered assault and can result in criminal punishment, legal suits, and medical liability.

DEFINITION

Hitting, Punching, Elbowing, Kicking, Biting, Spitting, Choking, Tackling, Throwing or Use of Object or Any Part of Body (Forearm, Knee, Head) in a Striking Manner

EXAMPLES

- Kicking the referee's shin.
- Throwing a punch at the referee.
- Placing hands on the neck to choke the referee.
- Throwing a water bottle with intent to hit the referee.
- Intentionally kicking the ball at the referee.

RECOMMENDED APPROACH

Before physical abuse ever escalates to this level, there are plenty of opportunities to choose another course of action. Remove yourself from the situation and give yourself time for your anger to defuse before doing something with serious long-term consequences.

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PENALTY OVERVIEW

The Penalties Matrix defines consequences associated with physical and non-physical offenses against Referees.

NON-PHYSICAL OFFENSES of gross misconduct, abuse, and / or assault

NON-PHYSICAL*	MIN. GAMES	TIME
Insulting, Belittling, Insinuating or Taunting Behavior Undermining Referee Authority	2	
Harassment, Intimidation, Retaliation, Abusive, or Threatening (Non Physical) Language	4	
Aggression, Attacking, Derogatory, Cyberbullying, Doxing or Threatening (Physical / Violence) Language	6	6 - 24 Months
Offensive or Discriminatory Act	10	12 - 24 Months

PHYSICAL OFFENSES of gross misconduct, abuse, and / or assault

PHYSICAL*	MIN. GAMES	TIME
Minor or Slight Deliberate Touching	3	1 - 6 Months
Pushing, Grabbing, Pulling, Squeezing, Pinching, Lightly Slapping, Use of Object in Non Striking Manner, or Physical Property Damage	10	6 - 24 Months
Hitting, Punching, Elbowing, Kicking, Biting, Spiting, Choking, Tackling, Throwing or Use of Object or Any Part of Body (Forearm, Knee, Head) in a Striking Manner		12 Months - Lifetime

KEY PENALTY FACTORS

- Single offenses are at **minimum the prescribed game penalty or time penalty** for non red zone offenses
- Penalties can be **both game and time depending on severity** / circumstances
- Second time offenders receive **double punishment**
- Third time offenders receive a **lifetime ban**
- More than one offense at the same time is **at least the punishment for the most serious offense**
- Offenses against minors are automatically subject to a **“minor multiplier” resulting in triple punishment**
- **One offense warning per league** to be managed by states and leagues collaboratively
- Game consequences are **inclusive of 1 game penalty for any red cards given**
- Optionality for **50% penalty for first offense from a minor**

Please follow your current reporting structure – updated reporting procedure will be a part of Phase 3..

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**Programs (ODP, Coaching, Tops)
Grassroot Coaching Courses**

Unfinished Business

Question was asked:

1.) Players that are not participating in the game sit on the bench side of the field?

a.) Players that are rostered on the team but are injured may not dress in their uniform but may sit with their team.

b.) Players that are on the team roster but are not able to play because of the roster limits for match day, may sit on the bench side with the team but is NOT allowed to wear their uniform

c.) Players that are suspended from the game with a red card from the previous match, may not sit on the bench side during the suspension period.

2.) Can players from a Tournament Team be a “Club Pass Player”

a.) No, the player must be registered on another team in the same club and registered to play in the same CDYSL event. Exception is players that are registered in the same club and are registered with CDYSL to play in another League.

New Business

Comments from the Floor



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Adjournment

Thank you for coming

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