



## **SOCAL GAME DAY INSTRUCTIONS for the 2021/22 Season (Not including Discovery Division)**

Here are the Game Day Procedures for the SOCAL 2021/22 Season.

(I would suggest printing and keeping this with you for all game day information).

**IMPORTANT: READ THE RULES and REGULATIONS on the website. Print them and keep them with you for reference.**

Referee Fees can be found at: [www.socalsoccerleague.org](http://www.socalsoccerleague.org) > RESOURCE CENTER > 2021/22 Referee Fees. I would recommend printing those and keeping them with you as well as refs will be a little rusty on fees.

This Game Day Instructions document is available on the [SOCAL website](http://www.socalsoccerleague.org) under RESOURCE CENTER

**TEAM ROSTERS: ALL TEAMS must have their roster entered by Thursday, September 9th at 5pm so that teams can begin printing Game Reports. You should have received an email about updating team pages and how to do it. If you did not, please contact your Club Admin and ask that they share it with you.**

### **GAME REPORTS:**

Wait until the Friday before your games to print the Game Reports. The HOME team is responsible for bringing 3 copies of the Game Report to the game. It is suggested that visiting teams bring copies as well, just in case. (Games will not be forfeited if someone forgets a Game Report). Go to [www.socalsoccerleague.org](http://www.socalsoccerleague.org) > Club Directory > Your Club > Your Team > Team Login > Use your email and PIN# to login > TEAM PAGE. You have to be logged in to your team page to print your Game Report. If neither team brings a Game Report then BOTH teams are required to manually handwrite their rosters for the referees for the game so my suggestion is to bring Game Reports whether you are home or visitor.

Once you are on your team page, go to your schedule at the bottom of the page (you may have to click "show schedule" in order to see your schedule).

Click on the blue "vs" in between the team names. The "Official Pre-Match Lineup" will appear.

**Do not update the player eligibility field. That should be left alone. If you mistakenly click on player names the system will add red cards to your overall count and this cannot be undone.**

Click on the tab at the top of the page that says, "PRINT GAME REPORT PDF". This will convert the Game Report to a PDF that you will print 3 copies of. In the upper right corner of the pdf, you will see the Match # and the date you are printing the report. Don't panic and think this is your game date and time. It's only to verify the time and date that the report is printed.

If the opposing team roster is not on the GAME REPORT, please email [hayley@scdssoccer.com](mailto:hayley@scdssoccer.com) and let her know so she can follow up with the club. If the roster is still not on the Game Report by game day, the opposing team will need to handwrite their roster on the Game Report. To print your Game Report, right mouse click on the pdf and select "print" (make sure you print 3 copies). San Diego clubs (we do not require 3-ply carbonless paper. Just print 3 copies of the Game

Report on regular white paper). After the game, Home team keeps a copy, the away team keeps a copy and the referee keeps a copy. All 3 copies must have the score and any red, yellow cards recorded.

Keep your game reports for the season in case there are questions that arise. SOCAL may contact you for a copy of your Game Report so please do not throw it away or destroy it. **DO NOT MAIL YOUR GAME REPORTS TO THE SOCAL OFFICE.** We do not keep them.

#### **CLUB PASS RULE:**

If you have a player(s) from your club that is going to club pass to your team (and are age appropriate), write the players name and player id# on all 3 copies of the game report. Players **MUST HAVE THEIR PLAYER ID CARD (US CLUB SOCCER card)** in order to be eligible to play in the game. A photo of the player card is acceptable as well.

**FOR FALL 2021 - Players can play in TWO games PER DAY. There is no special card for the club pass, the player just needs their player ID cards (or photo of their player ID card).**

#### **NOTE ON CLUB PASS RULE:**

Players can only club pass between teams, from their own club with US Club Soccer player cards. Players from other leagues (CSL, Presidio, GA, MLS Next, EA DPL) may NOT club pass to an SOCAL team within your club unless they have a US CLUB SOCCER player card. ECNL and ECRL players are US Club sanctioned and are eligible to use their ECNL or ECRL player cards to club pass, per the criteria in the Rules & Regulations to SOCAL teams.

There is no roster freeze week-to-week for club passing players and they can be written on the Games Reports even on game day.

#### **BEFORE THE GAME:**

Give all 3 copies of the Game Report to the referee along with your player id cards. Each team should pay half of the published league referee fees, in cash.

#### **PARENTS & SPECTATORS (IMPORTANT):**

In the SOCAL league, all Parents/spectators all sit on one side of the field. The home team coach will choose which side of mid-field the home team sits on. Parents/spectators will mirror their respective team/coach on the opposite side of the field. Parents are to stay on their side of midfield.

**PARENTS/SPECTATORS DO NOT SWITCH SIDES AT HALF-TIME.** They are to stay where they are the entire game.

There are no scores or standings posted for 7v7 games. There are scores but no standings in the 9v9 games. Scores and standings are posted for all 11v11 games.

Referees are slowly trickling back to the associations and most are not even close to 100% of what they had before so expect 1 ref per game for 7v7 and possibly 9v9 games and if you get 3 then it's a great day for your team but do not be upset if only 1 shows up. If you've got parents who referee on your team, tell them to be ready, they just might be called to help in a game!

Please make sure ALL spectators understand what is expected of them on the sidelines during SOCAL games. Clubs, DOC's and coaches will be held accountable for the sideline behavior of their spectators. This is a learning process for everyone and the more prepared Team Managers are and the more information they have available to answer questions, the better things will go.

Managers should introduce themselves to each other prior to the game. If there are issues with parents/spectators from the opposing teams, parents/spectators are NOT to get confrontational with

the opposing team. Managers should communicate with each other and each manager should deal with their own sideline issue. Parents/spectators are NOT to talk, criticize or bother the Assistant Referee on their side of the field nor talk to, criticize, bully or harass players on the opposing team or their own team. There is a ZERO tolerance policy for anything directed at referees or players and offenders will be dealt with quickly and with consequences.

**PARENT EJECTIONS** – ANY parent ejected from a game will serve a MINIMUM of a 3-game suspension that will be enforced by the coach AND the manager. If a parent fails to serve their suspension, the coach of the team will be suspended. I would suggest notifying your parents of this policy and encouraging them to monitor their sideline behavior. Poor sideline behavior by parents will not be tolerated and suspensions may be longer than 3-games depending on the severity of the offense. There is a zero-tolerance policy for bad behavior from parents so please make sure your parents understand the suspension.

#### **AFTER GAME:**

Both teams should sign all 3 copies of the match report. Make sure both teams verify the information recorded by the referee, including score, cards, who scored, etc. REFEREES DO NOT MAIL IN COPIES OF THE MATCH REPORTS (UNLESS THERE IS A VIOLENT CONDUCT OR REFEREE ABUSE SITUATION) SO YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SUPPLY ENVELOPES OR STAMPS. Referees are only to keep player cards in the case of Violent Conduct or Referee Abuse. No other incident requires the referee to keep the player cards and all cards should be returned after the completion of the game.

MAKE SURE YOU GET YOUR PLAYER CARDS BACK AFTER THE GAME and not the opposing teams cards by mistake. Any card that a referee keeps will be mailed to the SOCAL office. We will contact the team with further instructions if a Disciplinary hearing is required. Player cards will be returned to the team by the SOCAL office after the completion of the suspension.

Referees are NOT responsible for calling in scores or reporting Red cards. If there is a red card for Violent conduct or referee abuse the referee is required to pull the player, or coaches card and write a Supplemental Report and send it to the SOCAL office where the Disciplinary Committee will review it.

**DO NOT post scores if your team is: 2012, 2013, 2014 or 2015. We do NOT post scores or standings in these birth years. (This applies to all 7 v 7 teams)**

**Post scores for 2010 and 2011.** We only post scores in these birth years. We do not keep standings. (This applies to all 9 v 9 teams).

All 2009 and older must post scores and there ARE standings in these ages. (This applies to all 11 v 11 teams)

#### **SCORE REPORTING –**

**WINNING TEAM is responsible for posting the score** within 3 hours of the game ending. If the score ends up in a tie, the HOME team is responsible for calling in/posting the score.

1. The ONLY way to now post scores is via this link: <http://www.socalsoccerleague.org/PhoneItIn/>
2. **The PIN# is 5524**
3. If you post the wrong score, you can post it again and correct the score. It will over-ride the score in the system.
4. Please pay attention to the GAME # of the score you are reporting. If you post the score to the WRONG GAME #, you need to notify hayley@scdlsoccer if the score is reported incorrectly for the WRONG GAME. If the score is posted incorrectly for the CORRECT GAME, simply post the correct score and it will over-ride the incorrect score.

5. **If the winning team does not report the score within 3 hours of the end of the game, the visiting team can post the score in without notifying the SOCAL. Home team reports the score in case of a tie.**

**REPORTING SPECIFIC CARDS:**

**CARD REPORTING POLICY FOR 2021/22 season – SOCAL does not track single yellow-cards in any age group. ALL DOUBLE-YELLOW and RED cards MUST BE REPORTED**

**All teams have 24 hours to post, AND REPORT, VIOLENT CONDUCT ejections for their team.** All teams have 48 hours to post ALL ISSUED DOUBLE-YELLOW AND RED CARDS IN A GAME FOR THEIR TEAM. If a team does not post red/double-yellow cards within the allotted amount of time, there may be a monetary fine imposed on the club for failure to follow the rules. Any discrepancies should be reported to [hayley@scdsslsooccer.com](mailto:hayley@scdsslsooccer.com) and she will ask the opposing team for their copy of the match report.

This league is based on an honor code of ethics and there is no need to cheat or not record the actual information from the game. We will find out if cheating occurs and there will be consequences.

**Disciplinary Points will be accumulated as follows:** double yellow card (2pts), red card (3pts). Coach ejections (3 pts), Parent send-offs (3 pts). Suspension guidelines will be included in the SOCAL Rules & Regulations. Disciplinary point accumulations are not points deducted from the PPG column on the website. They are compiled in the DP column on the website. A team accumulating more than 30 DP points will be suspended from future play for the remainder of the season and will be reviewed for membership for the following season.

**If your coach is sent off, you are to EMAIL [hayley@scdsslsooccer.com](mailto:hayley@scdsslsooccer.com) within 24 hours of the ejection** and it must also be recorded on the Match / Stat page. Coach suspensions are a minimum of 3-games and the coach can not be within site or sound of the games he/she is suspended from. The suspension only applies to the coach coaching the team from which he was sent-off from. Not their other teams.

If you have questions OR ISSUES at your game, please go through your Club Admin first and if they don't have an answer, they will contact me. If referees don't show up or there are issues with referees, please contact your Club Admin first and they can get in touch with the lead Referee Distributor for your area.

Good luck to you all this season! THANK YOU for being a part of SOCAL and enjoy your games!