



Referee Information For Coaches ICHL Games

[Inter-Community House League website](http://ichl.hewlett-ward.com/) - <http://ichl.hewlett-ward.com/>

Referee Coordinator: referee@calgarywestsoccer.com

Game Scheduler: gamescheduler@calgarywestsoccer.com

Referee Liaison: cwscparentliaison@gmail.com

Calgary West Soccer Club, like many other soccer clubs in Calgary, experiences a low retention rate of referees from year to year. One of the common reasons for this is the abuse suffered by the younger referees especially. In order to increase the number of referees that are available and in order to better support our referees, Calgary West Soccer is continuing to implement the new initiatives that have been in place for the past few years.

1. **Coach - Referee Education Course** - All coaches and assistant coaches must take part in the online Referee Education Course being offered by CWSC.
2. **Referee Liaison (volunteer position)** - Each team must also select two or more persons to become the **Referee Liaison**. This person is responsible for:
 - Taking part in the online **Referee Education Course** being offered by CWSC.
 - Wearing the green armband that is provided with your team equipment so that you are visible to the referee and other parents.
 - Talking to the referee after the game and making note of any concerns or compliments.
 - Filling out a report after each game and emailing it to cwscparentliaison@gmail.com

The **Field Marshal/Referee Liaison Report** form can be found on our website under the Referee section of our website
<http://www.calgarywestsoccer.com/referee-liaisonfield-marshall/>.

- The emails are checked regularly for reports of abuse and referee no shows.

General Information

1. The referee's word is FINAL. In the spirit of being good role models for our players, let's reserve our comments (even if it is a bad call) until after the game.
2. Please give reassuring and positive feedback to the referee. In fact, you may consider having all your players go over after the game and thank the referee - this creates a real sense of respect for referees on the part of the players.

3. CWSC only provides referees on CWSC fields (**in Citadel, Hawkwood, Arbour Lake, Royal Oak, Rockyridge, Tuscany and Ranchlands**). For example, if you were playing a game on a field in Hamptons, CWSC would not be responsible for providing the ref.
4. Referees will be provided on **the above mentioned fields** according to the following schedule:

Age Group	Days	Playing Time
U12 Boys	T/Th	6:15 - 7:20
U12 Girls	M/W	6:15 - 7:20
U14 Boys	T/Th	7:30 - 8:45
U14 Girls	M/W	7:30 - 8:45
U16/18 Mixed	T/Th	7:30 - 8:45

5. If a referee does not "show up" for one of your games it is important that the referee liaison parent on your team emails the referee coordinator and payment coordinator on the same day.
6. It is also important that you let us know if you have cancelled a game so that this information can be passed onto the scheduled referee. If we are not told of the cancellation and the referee shows up to the field, he/she will have to be paid. (This can become very expensive for the Club). Please e-mail the Game Scheduler at gamescheduler@calgarywestsoccer.com
7. If you reschedule one of your cancelled games and would like to have a referee, please email the Game Scheduler as soon as you can so that there is enough time to find a referee for you.
8. Please remember that many of our referees are new refs and are youngsters themselves. This is a new learning experience for them as well.
9. **IMPORTANT: ANY TEAM RECEIVING A BAD REPORT FOR REFEREE ABUSE WILL NOT HAVE A REFEREE SCHEDULED FOR THEIR NEXT GAME. THERE WILL BE NO WARNINGS DURING THE SEASON, AND NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.**

Thank you and have a great season.