Youth Referee Commitment Form – AYSO Region 10 – Palos Verdes

(This is required for Regional Referees [minimum age 12]. This is not required for 8U Referees [min. age 10].)

In AYSO, we love youth referees! We are pleased to offer free training that can begin a lifetime of refereeing. Who knows? Maybe we will see you referee a FIFA World Cup match someday!

Becoming an AYSO referee is a great way for soccer players to learn **critical leadership**, **decision making and communication skills**.

But it takes a **commitment** from the **youth** and their **parent or guardian**. The online and classroom instruction is where we teach the Laws of the Game and how to be a referee. This is the first step. Then, all referees create an online account in the ref scheduling system and sign up to referee games that are convenient to their schedule. Then, the referee must actually get themselves to the games and put in to practice what they learned in the training. Adult encouragement and support are big parts of this.

To ensure that all youth referees are ready to take on this commitment, we ask for 2 things: 1) A parent/ guardian to acknowledge by signing below that the youth referee **has the time available to referee at least 4 games** this year, and 2) **a check for \$50** to cover the cost of the referee uniform. Once the youth referee has signed up for and completed 4 games, the **check will be returned** (or destroyed). If the youth referee decides that they cannot complete 4 games, the **uniform can be returned**. If it is not returned, we will deposit the check in our uniform fund.

All youths are welcome to take the referee training classes to learn the laws, but uniforms will only be provided upon receipt of the signed acknowledgement form and a check made out to AYSO Region 10 for \$50. Please complete and sign below and bring to the referee training class to receive your uniform.

I acknowledge that as parent/guardian of a youth referee that he/she is ready to take on the commitment and I will support this by encouraging self-scheduling and completion of a minimum of 4 referee or assistant referee assignments in Region 10 this year. Once this is verified, please (choose one):

_____ Destroy the check

_____ Mail the check to this address: _____

If the youth referee does not complete 4 assignments and the uniform and all provided gear is not returned by the end of the year, I understand that the uniform fee of \$50 will be retained by AYSO Region 10.

Agreed by youth referee candidate (signature): ______

Agreed by parent/guardian (signature):

Date: _____

Check enclosed for \$50.00 made payable to AYSO Region 10, check number: _____