



AMERICAN YOUTH
SOCCER ORGANIZATION

Returning Refs Meeting Sept. 10th 2021

(all info on: [AYSO10.org](https://www.ayso10.org))

Agenda

- AYSO Philosophies
- Quick Law Quiz
- Meet your Referee Staff
- Reminders for 2021
- Coach & Fan Interaction
- What's New
- COVID Protocols
- Badge Upgrades
- Law Changes

Law Quiz - 1

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Law Quiz – 2 (Answer)

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Law Quiz - 5

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Region 10 Referee Staff

- Co-Regional Referee Administrators
 - Larry Flusser, Matt Pope, Michael Heinze
- Dir. Of Referee Assessment: Michael Wolff
- Dir. of Referee Instruction: Alan Siegel
- Dir. of Youth Referees: Collin Shiang
- Upper Division Ref. Coord.: Gregg Ferguson
- Game Scheduling System Coord.: Giorgi “G” Chigogidze
- Ref. Uniform Coord.: Shannon Mastan
- Dir. of Women Referees: OPEN

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Region Reminders

- Every year: Volunteer Form – in SportsConnect (BlueSombbrero)
 - Covered under AYSO Insurance
- Once: Safe Haven, Concussion Awareness, Sudden Cardiac Arrest – AYSOU.org
- Game Cards: Complete, Legible, CR/AR's Names, Sportsmanship, Misconducts, other Incidents that Region needs to be aware
- Misconduct Report for all Red Cards and Ejections
- Division Ref Guidelines and Summary.

Region Reminders

- Refing own child's team:
 - 8U: Home team provides ref, sign up in CGISports. Friday noon, away team or any other ref
 - 9U/10U: 3 neutrals preferred, can AR own game until playoffs; center game before or after own game
 - 11U/12U/14U: 3 neutrals required
 - Ask coach to provide Club Linesperson if not 3 badged refs
- 9U/10U can Caution and Send Off but do not embarrass child by showing yellow and red cards

Region Reminders

- Jewelry Related Policy (AYSO)
 - None during games AND practices; nothing that the ref deems a danger to the player or anyone else
 - No bracelets, rings, necklaces, earrings, hard beads/barrettes in the hair and the like
 - Earrings CANNOT be taped or bandaged; child's choice to remove and play or not play; no exceptions (except Medic-Alert)
 - Hard casts are never allowed, even if padded or wrapped. Soft wrist braces, with no metal inserts are allowed. Knee braces, if sufficiently padded, are allowed. Hearing aids and prescription glasses are allowed. Gloves, goalkeeper caps and religious headgear are allowed.

Look Professional

- like you know what you are doing!
- Shirt tucked in
- Socks pulled up
- (mostly) Black shoes
- Badge, whistle, watch, pens, coin, data wallet with cards and match report
- Shannon Mastan can provide most of the above
- Arrive early!



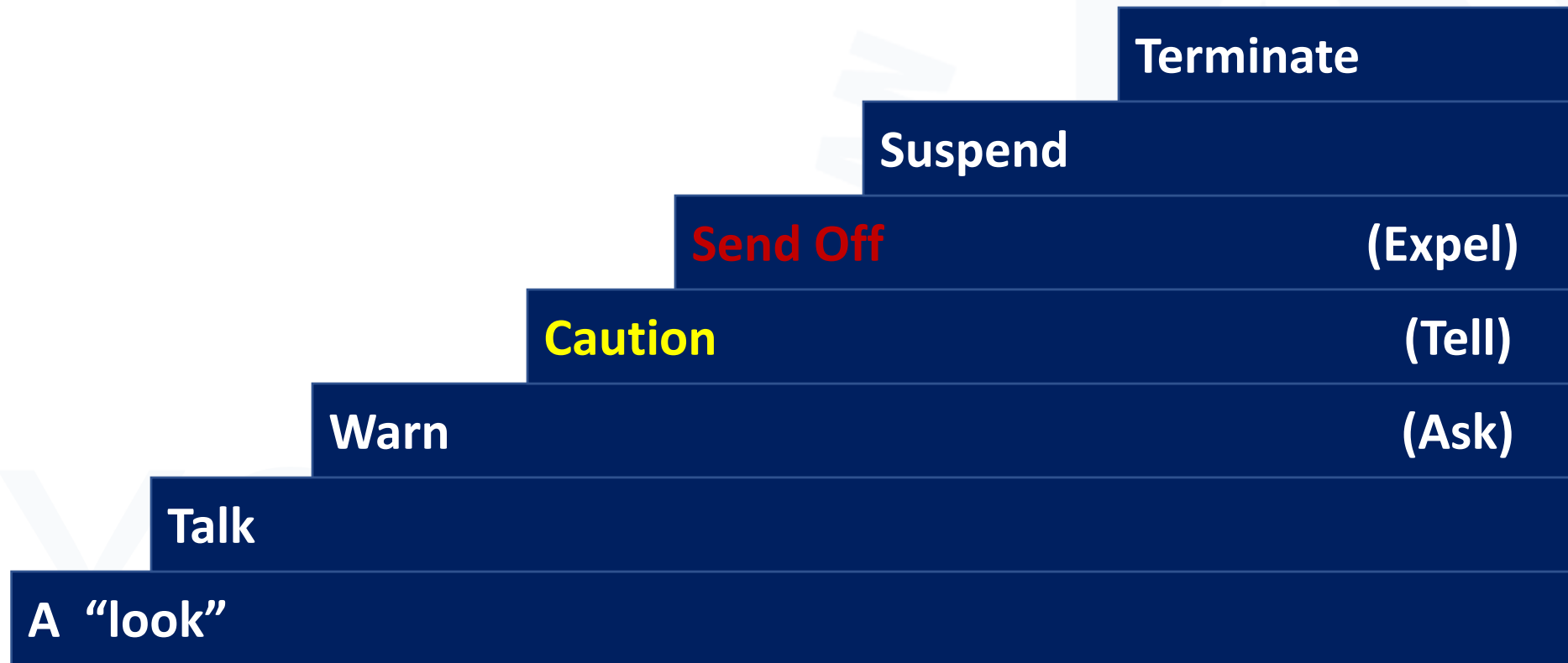
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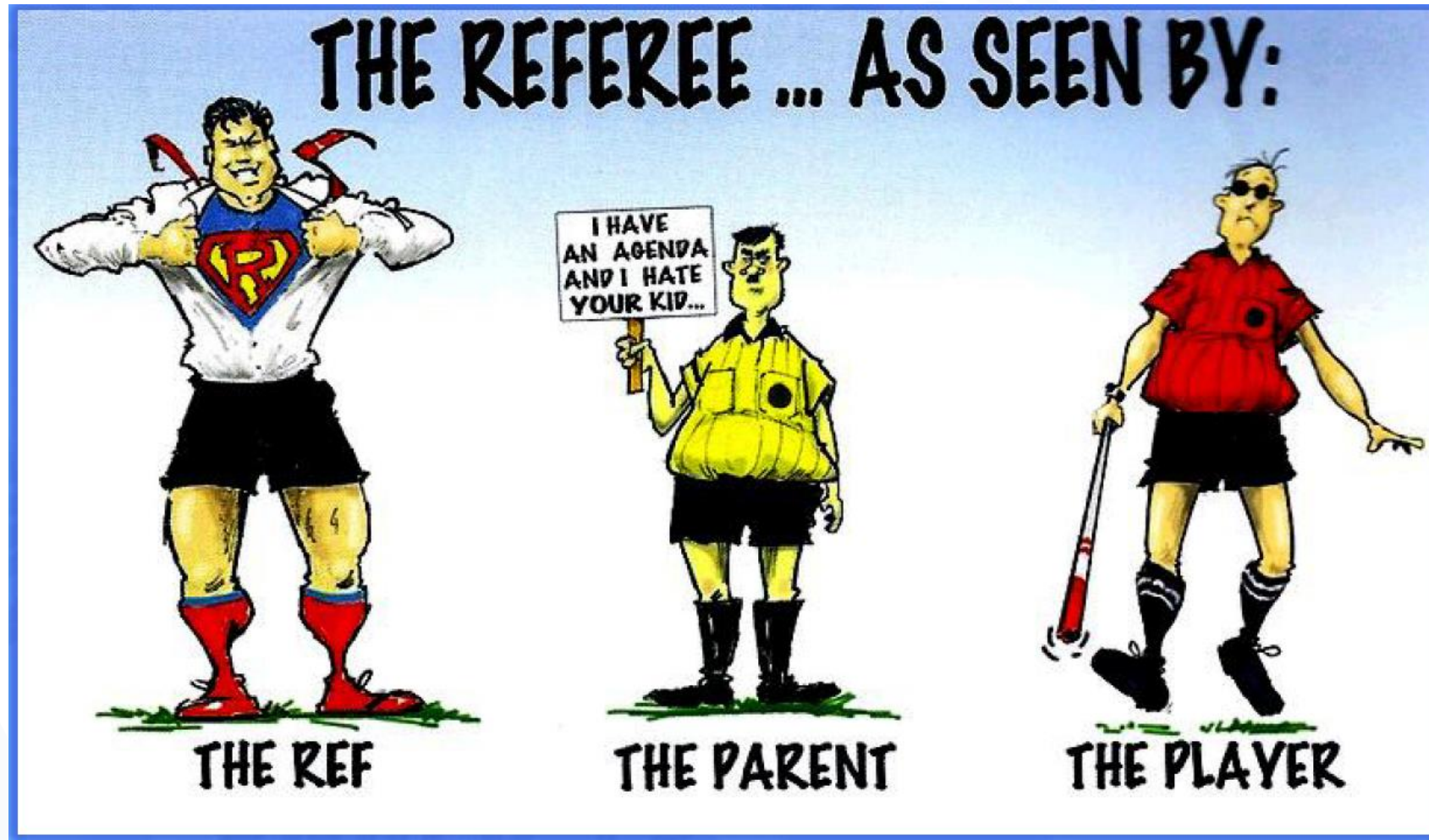
Coach and Fan Interaction

- Coaches and Fans should not dispute or express dissent about calls
- Don't ever ignore yelling at you or your decision (if it is Personal and Public, it must be addressed)
- You are a volunteer and need to be respected.

Use the AYSO ladder of control:



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What's New?

- Playoff Participation Policy, 9U and older
 - 2 points for each CR, 1 for each AR, assign credit to your team
 - Must do approx. 50% of games (equivalent) to get Playoff invitation or season ends with regular season
 - If many games done by Extra refs or unaffiliated refs, requirement drops to less than 50%
 - Schedule only 4 weeks in future
 - Cannot change team credited for past games
- Upper Division is combined with Area 1D – Beach Cities: Read the rules carefully on AYSO1D.org and enforce them

What's New?

- Mentoring
 - Remember your first game?
 - 1st 2 weeks at B09U, G09U – Point Vicente Elementary
 - Sign up to mentor new refs
 - Fabulous incentives for mentoring 3 times, and drawing amongst top mentors
- Field training session for new refs at G10U scrimmage
 - Sunday Sept. 12th, 1:00pm, Malaga Cove, 3-4 experienced refs needed – See Larry Flusser

COVID Protocols

- Players 12 years and up, Coaches & Refs
- Show proof of fully vaccinated OR weekly negative test required w/in 72 hours of each game
- Update Profile in CGISports
- Email proof to Michelle Catanzarite (Mcatanz@gmail.com)

COVID Protocols – Common sense approach

- Masks recommended for refs at coach/player interactions
 - Masks optional while reffing
- Coin toss: 1 captain only, ref handles coin
- Teams on opposite touchlines
- No spectators behind the AR
- No handshakes, but other good sportsmanship gesture like clapping or respectful waiving to other team
- COVID Symptoms? “drop” the game and stay home

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Badge Upgrades

- Intermediate Referee: geared to 11U/12U
 - Class likely local in October
 - See AYSOU.org for all details
 - The exam is HARD, study the Laws
 - 1 Observation on the field
- Advanced Referee: geared to 14U
 - Offered at Section 1 camp in January and Ken Aston Camp in June
 - Law test, Physical test and 2 Assessments
- National Referee: geared to 16U/19U
- See Michael Wolff, Dir. of Ref Assessment
- Also need more Assessors and Instructors in Region 10.



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Recap of Selected Law Changes 2019-20 (relevant to AYSO)

Law changes for 2019-2020

- Source: www.theifab.com
- AND there's an app for that! TheIFAB.com/LOGApp
- Don't rely just on this presentation; study the laws!

The coin toss

- Team winning the toss now chooses to:
 - Take the kick-off OR
 - Choose the goal to attack.

Disciplinary action against team officials

- Team officials (e.g. coaches) may be:
 - Warned
 - Cautioned & shown the yellow card
 - Sent off & shown the red card
- If the offender can't be identified, the senior coach gets the card

Dropped Ball

- One-sided dropped balls mandated!
- INSIDE THE PENALTY AREA: Drop the ball to the goalkeeper
- OUTSIDE THE PENALTY AREA: Drop the ball
 - TO ONE PLAYER of the team that last touched the ball
 - AT THE POINT of the last touch
- ALL OTHER PLAYERS (both teams) must be at least 4.5 yards away.

Ball hits a match official on the field

- DROP THE BALL if the ball touches a match official, stays on the field, and
 - Goes directly into the goal,
 - Team possession changes, or
 - A promising attack starts
- WHERE it touched the match official, UNLESS that's in the penalty area (in which case drop to the goalkeeper).

Handling the ball (Goalkeeper offences)

- If the goalkeeper attempts to 'clear' (release into play) a throw-in or deliberate kick from a team-mate but the 'clearance' fails, the goalkeeper then can handle the ball
- Clarifies no disciplinary action for a goalkeeper handling the ball within their own penalty area when not permitted to do so.

No attackers in the wall

- IF three (or more) defenders form a wall for the taking of a free kick
- THEN all attackers must be at least 1 yd from the wall until the ball is in play
- RESTART if an offence by kicking team: Indirect free kick for the defenders.

Penalty kick modifications

- Goalkeeper must keep at least ONE FOOT on or above the line until the ball is kicked
- PK taker, if assessed quickly for injury, does not have to leave & can take the kick
- Goalkeeper may not be touching goalposts/crossbar/nets
- Goalposts/crossbar/nets may not be moving.

Goal kick & defensive free kick

- Ball is in play when kicked and clearly moves
- Does NOT have to clear the penalty area
- Opponents STILL MUST be outside the penalty area when the kick is taken
- 9U/10U WITH BUILD-OUT LINE: On a goal kick, opponents may cross BOL when ball is kicked and clearly moves.

Free kicks

- Referee can allow quick free kick after YC/RC offense IF attacking team has a clear goal-scoring opportunity AND the referee has not started the disciplinary sanction procedure
- The sanction (card) is administered at the next stoppage
- YC (caution) and not RC (sendoff) if this is a DOGSO situation
- IDFK arm signal can be lowered once it is clear that a goal cannot be scored directly.

Other changes

- All opponents must stand at least 2 yds from the point at which on the touchline where the throw-in is to be (should have been) taken
- Substituted player **must** leave from the nearest point on the boundary line, unless directed by referee
- Still a caution for “illegal” celebration after a goal even if the goal is disallowed
- Difference between “drinks” breaks (max 1 min) and “cooling” breaks (90 sec-3 min)
- Multicolored or patterned undershirts allowed if they match the sleeve of the main shirt.

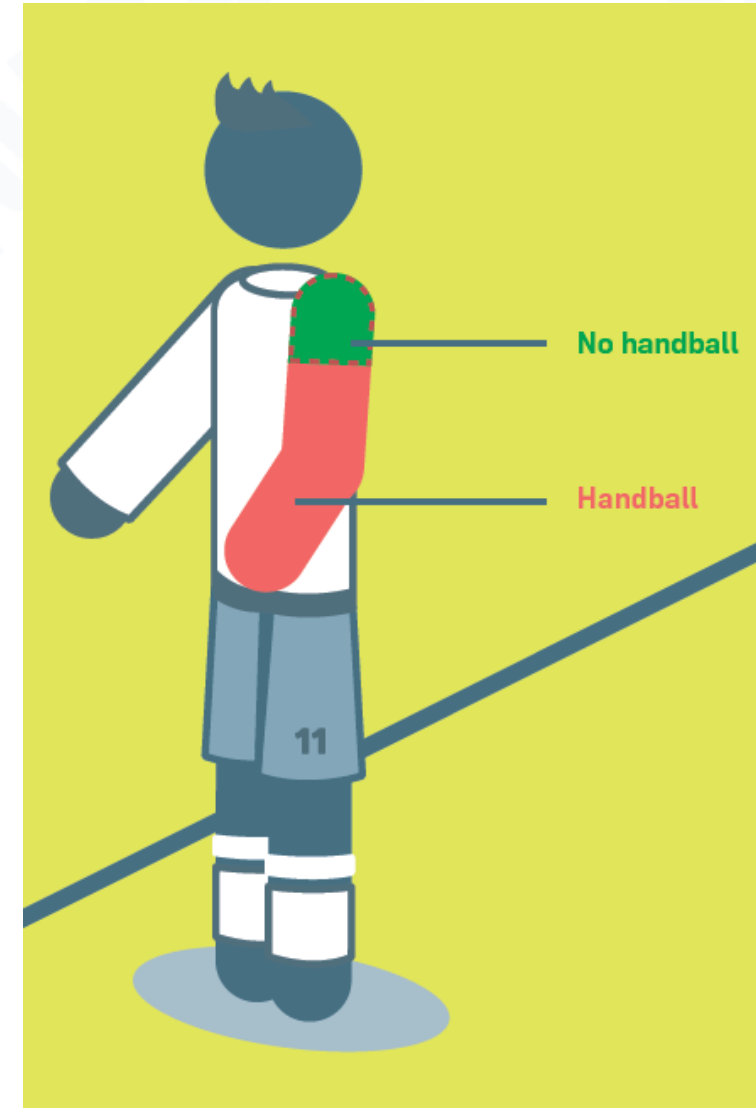


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Selected Law Changes 2020-21 (relevant to AYSO)

Handball

- Hand defined below the bottom of the armpit
- Shoulder touches are legal
- Related: handball by defender is “Deliberate Play” for Offside, so cannot flag for Offside



Penalty Kicks

- Keeper is NOT penalized if kick misses or rebounds from the goal unless the offense clearly impacted the kicker
- Keepers is warned 1st time for coming off the line, cautioned for subsequent offenses
- Kicker is penalized if keeper and kicker offend at same time (likely a feinting move caused this, so caution the kicker)
- Note: all warnings and all cautions do NOT carry to KFPM



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Selected Law Changes 2021-22 (relevant to AYSO)

Handball – highly simplified!

- Deliberate touch: like moving hand towards the ball
- Touch ball with hand when arm has made body UNNATURALLY Bigger
 - Position is not a consequence of or justifiable by body movements for that specific situation.
 - Player takes a risk of the ball hitting the hand
- Scores in opponent's goal:
 - Directly from hand, even if accidental
 - Immediately after the ball touched hand, even if accidental

What does this all mean for AYSO?

- Lots of mechanical changes, but not much change in the way the game is played
- Let's WORK WITH other AYSO Team members (coaches, referees, administrators, spectators) to ease the transition
- Let's not go crazy!
- Questions?

Thank you!

- Please sign up to ref in CGISports
- Let's have fun out there!
- See Shannon for uniform parts and match reports, etc.