



Sponsored by AYSO Region 364 Socorro, New Mexico

14th Annual M Mountain AYSO Tournament

Referee Plan



<p>Commitment Requirements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Each team participating in the Tournament must provide at least one qualified referee crew consisting of three qualified referees. To encourage teams to bring referees, we will give game time preference to teams bringing referees. B. The Referee Information Form must be completed, approved by the Regional/Club Referee Administrator and returned with the Team Application. C. Each referee crew will be asked to officiate a minimum of 3 matches during the tournament, or nine positions total (3 centers and 6 lines). Game assignments and standby assignments will be considered equal in terms of earning the referee deposit refund. D. Referee refunds will be mailed within 14 days following completion of the tournament. If all assignments are completed, the entire referee deposit of \$150 will be refunded. If only partial assignments are completed, \$25 will be deducted from the refund for each missed center line assignment, and \$12.50 will be deducted for each missed line (AR) assignment. E. The referee refund check will be returned to the address shown on the Team Application form. F. Remember: the quality of officiating is largely dependent upon the experience and abilities of the referees you provide.
<p>Qualification Requirements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Each AYSO referee must be AYSO-trained and certified, including Safe Haven, and be a registered volunteer with current season form on file with the NSTC. USSF Referees with AYSO cross-certification are acceptable. B. Each referee must be versed in the Laws of the Game, including current law changes and capable of applying the laws according to the spirit of the game. C. Players in the tournament will not be allowed to officiate. D. Coaches in this tournament are strongly discouraged from officiating so that scheduling of referees with the best experience and without conflicts can be accomplished. Exceptions due to lack of referee volunteers must be approved in advance by the Referee Administrator. E. Youth referees will only be allowed if they are not a player in the tournament. Care must be taken when considering whether to allow a youth referee to officiate in the heated environment of a competitive tournament. These referees must have their Youth Volunteer Application form with them at all times and present it to any Tournament official upon request. F. Youth referees will only be assigned to games where they are qualified and at least 2 years older than the age group they are officiating. G. A FIFA referee who is AYSO certified as per the National Referee Program is allowed to wear the FIFA badge.
<p>Uniform Requirement</p>	<p>All referees must be in full Uniform as defined by AYSO, including the current AYSO referee certification level badge earned by the referee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. The Gold uniform will be considered the primary color of referee uniform for this tournament. The referee crew will be expected to change to an alternate color in case of conflict with either of the teams' uniform. B. In inclement weather, black rain pants or black warm-up pants will be permitted in addition to the official uniform. C. Referees not in uniform will not be permitted to referee games, and their team's referee deposit may be subject to forfeiture. D. When participating as a coach or as a spectator, referees are to remove or cover their referee shirt and socks.
<p>Competency Requirements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Referees will be assigned to games as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> U-10: Regional Badge or higher U-12: Intermediate Badge or higher U-14: Advanced Badge or higher <p>Any exceptions must have the prior written approval of the Tournament Referee Administrator.</p>

	B. Every effort will be made to assign referees to neutral games at their level of competency or below. In rare cases, referee crews may be asked to split up in order to meet these goals.
Tournament Rules	<p>A. Referees will be expected to familiarize themselves with and uphold the tournament rules, AYSO guidelines and FIFA laws. Any failure of the referee to uphold these rules may be cause for dismissal from the tournament, and will place a team's referee deposit refund in jeopardy.</p> <p>B. Only the diagonal system of control will be used.</p> <p>C. Referees will be expected to fill out the game cards and to keep track of substitutions.</p> <p>D. Referees will be expected to note on the back of the game cards and to fill out misconduct reports immediately after the game in which a misconduct (caution and/or send-off) was issued to a player or coach, or if there were spectator interference problems, or any other action that merits a report.</p> <p>E. Referees will be expected to turn in all completed game cards and misconduct reports to the Field Monitor immediately after each game.</p>
Referee Schedules	A. Referee schedules will be mailed out to each team and also made available on the tournament website within 2 weeks of the tournament. Each team will be expected to ensure that the referee schedule and check-in instructions have been provided to their referee crew.
Use of Local Referees	A. Additional referees will be provided by the host region, including from the surrounding regions and Areas to ensure all games are covered by qualified referees. These referees will be provided assignments on a stand-by or fill-in basis. Priority will be given to visiting referee crews to ensure an opportunity to earn their deposit refund.
Referee Check-In	<p>A. All referees will be expected to check in at the Referee Station upon their arrival at the tournament.</p> <p>B. At check-in, each referee team will be provided with a summarized set of tournament rules that they will be expected to administer.</p> <p>C. Referees are expected to check in at the Referee Station at least 30 minutes prior to their assigned game. Failure to appear on time may result in a replacement referee crew being assigned to the field. Once a replacement crew has been assigned, they will have priority and the original crew must report to the Referee station for alternative assignment.</p>
Referee Mementos	<p>A. Chilled water and snacks will be available at the Referee Station.</p> <p>B. Participating referees will receive a memento to thank them for their contribution.</p>
Address:	Please mail Referee forms with the Team Application to: Tournament Registrar AYSO Region 364 P. O. Box 152 Socorro, NM 87801
Contact Information:	<p>Questions regarding referee requirements should be directed to:</p> <p>Call Wes Young wyoung@aoc.nrao.edu</p> <p>Web site www.AYSO364.org/MMountain</p>