

Headset Use Information

Purpose - the BCSOA has purchased headsets and associated accessories for chapter use during assigned soccer games. The purpose of this document is to define how these headsets will be used within the chapter.

- Headset use will be optional - in order to be used in a game all crew members (2 person or 3 person) must agree to their use.
- Any official is eligible to use the headsets but the following priority order will be used to assign headsets to officials since we will not have enough sets available to cover all games at all levels each day (Varsity, Junior Varsity, Junior High)
- BCSOA would like to list some examples of game situations where headset use could be beneficial:
 1. Fouls where an official is straight lined or was unable to get a good look at the play
 2. Injuries where play should be stopped
 3. Decision between goal kick and corner kick
 4. Card-able offenses - ensure correct call and player is penalized
 5. Throw-in decisions - direction and spot of throw
 6. Offsides - intentionally played by defense versus deflection by defense
- The BCSOA has developed a cleaning protocol to ensure proper cleaning of the headsets between games since the headsets will be shared among chapter members
- Specific chapter members will be assigned to each one of the headset sets. Each assigned member will offer the headsets to his or her crew throughout the season. These chapter members will perform all responsibilities associated with headset setup, cleaning and maintenance.
- In addition to the headsets, the following accessories were purchased by the chapter - microphone covers, cleaning supplies, tape, ear pads and ear connectors.
- If desired, officials may purchase their own single headset to plug in to the intercom unit for \$17.99 on Amazon. Please reach out to Kevin Creamer to verify the compatibility to use in lieu of the headset provided by the chapter. You can also purchase your own (3) units and (3) headsets that run about \$200 without extras on Amazon.
- Communication topics on the headsets between officials before, during and after the game should be limited to game play and game situations.