

Standards of Conduct Code of Ethics for Referees



- 1. I will always maintain the utmost respect for the game of soccer.
- 2. I will conduct myself honorably at all times and maintain the dignity of my position.
- 3. I will always honor an assignment or any other contractual obligation.
- 4. I will attend training meetings and clinics so as to know the Laws of the Game, their proper interpretation and their application.
- 5. I will always strive to achieve maximum teamwork with my fellow officials.
- 6. I will be loyal to my fellow officials and never knowingly promote criticism of them.
- 7. I will be in good physical condition.
- 8. I will control the players effectively by being courteous and considerate without sacrificing fairness.
- 9. I will do my utmost to assist my fellow officials to better themselves and their work.
- 10. I will not make statements about any games except to clarify an interpretation of the Laws of the game.
- 11. I will not discriminate against nor take undue advantage of any individual group on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin.
- 12. I consider it a privilege to be a part of the United States Soccer Federation and my actions will reflect credit upon that organization and its affiliates.