

MWSL Referee Info Guide 2024-25

Assignments

Match assignments will be sent out between 10-14 days prior to matches. Please update your availability accordingly. The availability should be set in your profiles. Please refer to the "How To Guide" in referee resources if you don't know how to set your availability.

The assignments are sent out based on your availability. This should minimize the games being declined. If you're no longer available for a game, please update your availability or contact me via email.

Please confirm your match assignments within 24 hours of receiving the match assignments.

Pre-match procedures

ID Checks

Team ID's and rosters **MUST** be checked before each game- no exceptions. This should be done at least 20 minutes prior to kickoff (30 for premier). If teams don't have their rosters and team sheets prepared at least 15 minutes prior to kickoff, please note it in your match reports.

If you're unable to arrive at your match at least 20 minutes prior to kick-off, please email or text Emad. The teams will then be notified.

ALL JEWELRY MUST BE REMOVED

Team Sheets

Only listed players, substitutes, and Team Officials listed on the team sheet may be in the technical areas.

Suspended players, spectators, parents, significant others, and children **MUST** not be in the technical areas of the teams. This must be enforced by the referees. We want to be consistent across the league at all levels. Failure to enforce this will make it difficult for the referees who do enforce this.

In terms of children in the technical areas, this is for the safety of the child. Children must be away from the technical areas. There are liability issues for referees in the league if an individual not listed on the team sheet is injured in a technical area.

Game Cancellations

In the case that matches need to be canceled, referees **MUST not collect fees** from the teams. This includes forfeits, matches not starting due to unplayable field conditions and match abandonments. If games are not started or not completed, please return the match fee to the teams. The MWSL will pay the referrers the appropriate fees.

Match fees

The following is the fee schedule for each match:

Premier Division: Referee \$110, ARs \$70

Selects: Referee \$100, AR \$60

Div 1- Masters: Referee \$100

Exact cash must be received prior to kickoff. If not, please include details in your match report

DO NOT COLLECT THE FEES IS THE GAME IS NOT PLAYED OR COMPLETED FOR WHATEVER REASON

Removal of Individuals after expulsions

After a player has been removed from a game, the player must leave the field of play. Please use common sense when removing players from the field. Please take an approach which does not escalate an already tense situation. Ask the coach or team official to remove the player if the player isn't cooperating.

Team Officials

Team officials are responsible for their team's behavior. If there is persistent dissent from a team or individuals, or team supporters, use the team officials for support. They're ultimately responsible for the behavior of their teams. The team officials must

control the behavior of their players and teams. Failure to do so can be sanctioned by the MWSL and BC Soccer.

Match reports

Match reports MUST be submitted no later than 24 hours after the end of the game. Match reports must include goal-scorers, cautions, red cards, or any other notes from the referee. Please take care to note the correct goal-scorers and scores for each match. A picture of the rosters must be taken and included in your match report

Include any incidents including team/fan behaviour, field conditions in your match reports.

Division Specific Rule:

No Slide tackles in Div 4, Masters and Classics. In case of a slide tackles, an indirect free kick shall be awarded to the opposing team.