

2019 SCB Outdoor Season Referee Notes

Field Size

Game Format	Field Measurements (L x W)	Goal Measurements
U9	Min: 40m x 30m Max: 55m x 36m	Between Goal Posts: 4.88m (16ft) Height of Crossbar: 1.83m (6ft)
U11 and U13	Min: 60m x 42m Max: 75m x 55m	Between Goal Posts: 5.49m (18ft) Height of Crossbar: 1.83m (6ft)
U15 and U17	Min: 90m x 45m (100 x 50 yds) Max: 120m x 90m (130 x 100 yds)	Between Goal Posts: 7.32m (8 yds) Height of Crossbar: 2.44m (8 ft)

All age groups U13 and below are to use the retreat line rule during their games.

SCB encourages that all games are played on the appropriate sized fields with the correct size of goal. But at many community park fields, the field and/or goal posts may not be exactly regulation size or the ground might be uneven and the grass might be a little long. On these fields, BOTH teams are subjected to the same conditions thus the game shall be played regardless unless the conditions are grossly irregular for the teams playing. In these cases, the referee will make the final decision if the field is playable or not. Any referee can note on the game sheet any concerns they may have with a field. If a field is a constant issue, SCB may step in and correct the issue as SCB sees fit.

Game Format Information

Age Group	Game Format	Game Length	Minimum # of Players to Start	Maximum # of Players Dressed	Size of ball
U9	7 v 7	2 x 25 min halves	5	19	4
U11	8 v 8	2 x 30 min halves	6	21	4
U13	9 v 9	2 x 35 min halves	6	23	4
U15	11 v 11	2 x 40 min halves	7	27	5
U17	11 v 11	2 x 45 min halves	7	27	5

Half time for all age groups is a maximum of 5 minutes. If the weather is very hot or/and humid, the referee has the discretion to extend the half time a bit longer and/or add a hydration break during the halves. Referees are to talk to the team officials about this before the game starts. We recommend if the temperature and/or the humidex is 30° or greater, to add a hydration break into each half of the game.

All games shall start at the designated kick off time. The referee has the power to reduce the length of each half if the game starts late. The time lost shall be deducted from the total game time. The time remaining shall be halved, as each half shall be equal. If there is a doubleheader schedule on your field, if the first game started late, time shall be reduced equally to both halves to the second game starts on time with teams warming up prior to the start of their match.

The maximum wait time to start any game is 15 minutes. If one team does not have the minimum number of players to start a game, dressed and ready to go within the first 15 minutes of the scheduled start time, the result will be noted as a forfeit against this team. If both teams do not have the minimum numbers of players dressed and ready to go within the first 15 minutes of the scheduled start time, the result will be noted as forfeiture for both teams.

Team Officials on the Bench

All team officials on the team's bench/technical must be listed on the game sheet. Team must have a minimum of one (1) adult team official list on the game sheet and are permitted up to a maximum of four (4) team officials.

Male teams must have a male adult team official on the bench and females must have an adult female team official on the bench during all SCB events and activities. If the team has male and female players, then an adult of each sex must be present on the bench. Referees are to note on the game sheet if any team that does not fulfill this requirement, after directing them to do so.

Substitutions

There shall be no restriction on the number of substitutions made during a game, but no more than six (6) substitutions per team will be allowed at any one time, except at half time and end of the game (should extra time be required) where teams will be permitted substitute as many players they require. Substitutions are to be made as per IFAB Laws of the Game.

Game sheets and Scores

For SCB games – home team supplies 3 games sheets. At the end of the game, once game sheet goes to the home team, one of the away team, and one the referee keeps to submit.

The game cannot start until the game sheet has been handed to the referee or when the referee says they will collect the game sheet from the teams.

The referee is to file a match report at the end of every game they are in charge of. The report will include the score, any cautions/dismissal information (name and # of the player(s), team(s) and for what did they receive the game for (i.e. USB, Dissent, Serious Foul Play, etc.) given out in the games, any team official ejections, and any other incident that SCB should be made aware of. This information, along with a scan copies or pictures of the completed game sheets are to be emailed to scbscores@gmail.com within 24 hours of the completion of the game. SCB will not pay the referee for any games that the referee has not sent in the scores and copies of the game sheets.

Remember that you have to file a misconduct report with Soccer Nova Scotia for all dismissal with 48 hours of the game. If you need help filling it out or need to talk to someone about an incident, please reach out to Wendell MacGibbon or Scott Mabee.

NSSL Games – the teams will look after submitting the scores and game sheets.

Cape Breton Cup Games

Games must have a winner. If a game is tied at the end of regulation time, 2 x 5 min halves will be played. If still tied at the end of extra time, then Kicks from the Penalty Mark, as per Law 10 of the IFAB Rules of Play, will be taken to determine the winner of the match.

Payment

Payment for SCB games will be done by cheque from the Cape Breton Referees Association. Cheques will be cut every 2 weeks and placed in the referee room at the CBU dome. All NSSL games played in Cape Breton will have payment done at the field. The rate of pay for each level of game can be found on Soccer Nova Scotia's website.