



SUNNYVALE ALLIANCE SOCCER CLUB



Background

SASC is financially responsible for paying the referees assigned to SASC hosted games. Each SASC team, as part of SASC fees collected, is allowed one league's worth of home games (4 to 6 games depending on the season) as assigned by the league at the beginning of the season. All referee fees for extra games played, "away at home" games, forfeited games, or late canceled games must be reimbursed to SASC by the team at the end of the playing season.

SASC uses a 2-step procedure in scheduling games.

- Step 1: Reserve Field – Field is reserved but the game is "unconfirmed". Any game in this state will not be entered into Arbiter, the referee assignment system.
- Step 2: Confirm Game – Once a game is "confirmed" with the Game Scheduler, the referee assignment process is triggered. Games should be confirmed after both home and away teams have confirmed their availability. Games are expected to be confirmed by Wednesday the week before the game (i.e. 10+ days before the game).

Late Game Cancellation or Change Policy

Generally, no change is allowed for any game that has been confirmed with the Game Scheduler. Once a game is confirmed, the acceptable reasons for a game change are:

1. Game rained out or field was unusable
2. Tournament participation

If any change must occur outside of the above reasons, penalties will be assessed. The penalties are HALF of the cost of referee fees up until 12 PM on the Monday before the game and the FULL cost of referee fees anytime thereafter.

Exceptions will be made, on a case-by-case basis, with approval of the Game Scheduler and Referee Coordinator.

All change/cancellation requests must be submitted through the Field Communication Form to the Game Scheduler. Timestamp in the Field Communication Form will be used to determine the penalty.

Interpretation and Comments

- Since referee fees are always paid by SASC for regularly scheduled league games, if the original game cancellation was caused by an away team, the away team should reimburse the home team for the referee fees. This way, the cancellation fee assessed to the home team is recouped.

Scrimmages

- Payment of referee fees for scrimmages is cash-at-the-field by the SASC team, not SASC.
- For scrimmages, the above cancellation timeline still applies but if the referee(s) cannot be paid in person, payment arrangements must be made with the help of the referee coordinator.