

# Central Mass Adult Soccer League

## REFEREE INFORMATION / INSTRUCTIONS

CMASL WEB-SITE: [www.cmo35.com](http://www.cmo35.com)

**Rules:** CMASL uses the I.F.A.B. Laws of the Game with a few changes. **1.** Unlimited substitutions are allowed. **2.** A player may sub on ANY team's throw-in. **3.** Sliding-Tackles are NOT allowed. Players are NOT allowed to slide within playing distance of an opponent. Slides outside of opponents playing distance is NOT a sliding tackle. Playing distance is determined by the referee. Sliding tackles **shall** be sanctioned with a **yellow card** caution and an **Indirect** kick awarded to the opposing team. However, a sliding tackle that would be a foul under I.F.A.B. Laws of the Game shall be sanctioned per IFAB rules. (i.e. card or no card at the Referees discretion and a Direct free kick). No other rule changes.

**Team Captains:** Each team will have two 'Captains' (Coordinator & Captain). Only these two players are allowed to speak to the Referee. Both teams must be on the same side of the field; Home team chooses side. All **ADULT** spectators must be no less than 20 feet from team areas or, when requested by the referee, on the opposite side of the field.

**Schedule:** The Referee schedule will be on the US Officials website. Field directions can be found on the US Officials site or the CMASL site on the League/Field page.

**Referee Fee:** \$100.00, paid prior to start of game. The scheduled 'Home' team pays the Referee.

**Start time:** All games start at 9:00 am (unless otherwise noted on schedule). A 15-minute grace period is required. After the 15-minute grace period you may choose to stay longer or leave, in either case you are to be paid. **During the grace period games are to be started as soon as both teams have a minimum of 7 players.**

**Rosters:** 1. Each team Coordinator shall supply a roster to the Referee and the opposing team coordinator.  
2. The Referee shall check-in ALL players using the **Game Day Roster**. CMASL requires both team coordinators to accompany the Referee to check-in players of both teams.  
3. The Roster **DATE MUST BE VALID**. DO NOT accept an expired Roster! (Date: Top of roster).  
4. Player numbers must be on the roster. **No numbers - return to manager. NO Roster – NO GAME.**  
5. If a player's name is not on the Roster they **CANNOT** play. **NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE.**  
6. You may allow late arriving players to enter the field at your discretion. However, they must be checked in at halftime with the Referee and Both Coordinators.

You **Do Not** have to check player passcards, the picture ID Roster is sufficient. However, if you question a picture on the roster you have the right to ask the player to confirm his identity by showing you his Passcard OR Driver's License. If the player refuses or cannot produce a picture ID that player is no longer eligible and **CANNOT PLAY**. **VERY IMPORTANT: IN ALL CASES THE PLAYER'S NAME MUST BE ON THE VALID ROSTER AND MATCH THE PASSCARD, LICENSE or other PICTURE ID.**

**Cards:** ALL CARDS (Red & Yellow) must be reported to the League through the US Officials website or the CMASL Website or as directed by your assignor. If a player receives a Red card you do **NOT** have to keep his passcard. When submitting your game report be sure to list: Players name, card issued (caution or sendoff) and reason for card. Please give detailed information when reporting a Red card. This information will be used to determine the number of games that player is suspended. Please remember to report both Red & Yellow cards. Yellow cards do accumulate for game suspensions.

**Optional requirements:** In addition to the game report required by your assignor you may also report the score and ALL cards red OR yellow to the CMASL Website at [www.cmo35.com/ref.htm](http://www.cmo35.com/ref.htm). This is an optional requirement that takes less than 10 minutes to complete and is greatly appreciated by the CMASL. In this report you may also report ANY other issues encountered before, during or after the game, ANYTHING! Please we want to hear from you, your comments are not published and are used by the league to make improvements to our rules and hopefully make your experience with CMASL more enjoyable.

**THANK YOU** for Refereeing for the Central Mass Adult Soccer League !!!