

Mandatory Club Based Referees

Youth Grades 12th – 16th grades (division 1) - 2015

Our young up and coming players deserve their games be refereed by someone who has a good knowledge of the Laws of the Game and have the skills to implement them

Far too often have we heard laws being made up by the person refereeing the game, games refereed differently in one half than to the other (2nd half referee making up for the guy who was shocking in the first), and games getting out of control, because the person refereeing doesn't know how to get it back under control.

Clubs were notified in October 2014, that Mainland Football will be making it MANDATORY to have at least two Club Based Referees trained and accredited per team in Division 1 Junior team, from 12th through to 16th grades.

There are courses set throughout the season ([click here to see link](#)), so there is no excuses accepted when it comes to complying with the requirement. Please make use of the first two courses, programmed before the season starts (hosted by Waimak United & Cashmere Technical), so that you do not get caught with consequences.

Try and encourage your fellow club members to participate in the Level 1 Referee courses too. Not only will they get a better knowledge of how to referee, but the Level 1 qualification (and higher) will take precedence in refereeing the whole game at Junior level. Referees from Level 1 and above will be given registration cards.

****Note:** Please do not approach Mainland Football referees to referee your games, unless he/she is already linked to the team.

Rules:

1. From the beginning of the 2015 Junior Football season, it will a **Mandatory** requirement as part of team entry for 12th – 16th Grades (division 1) for at least 2 people to be qualified (accredited) at least at Club Based Referees (CBR) level.
2. As with all referee accreditation, CBR accreditation must be renewed every 2-3 years (accreditation expires on 31 December, 2 years after initial accreditation or refresher).
3. Home CBR will referee whole match, with two assistants that are CBR qualified (one from each team).
4. A Level 1 or higher qualified referee will referee the whole game, whether the game is home or away.
5. Teamsheets are to be completed for all Division 1 games. These should be signed by both coaches and the CBR or referee name enter on the form.
6. All completed timesheets to be scanned and sent to results@mainlandfootball.co.nz within 48 hours of the match.

Non compliance Consequences - Three Steps

- (i) Warning - Two individuals linked to the team must participate in the next available CBR or Level 1 Referee Course

- (ii) 2nd Warning - Two individuals linked to the team must participate in the next available CBR or Level 1 Referee Course and the full Course fee must be paid (\$20 for CBR & \$40 for Level 1)
- (iii) Loss of points for the team until compliance is reached

It is understood that from time to time that your qualified CBR or Level 1 referee will be unavailable. That is why it is so important to qualify 2 or more people per team, so that you don't get caught with no-one available.

More information:

- Referee's fortnightly coaching sessions to be open to all football stakeholders and advertised in the No1 Fan
- Level 1 referee will have a registration card with number and qualification expiry date
- Courses are heavily discounted (CBR's - \$5 & level 1 - \$23 per person)
- Databases of CBR's and referees are kept and will be checked weekly
- If you have done a course earlier than 2013, you need to update, however, for 2015 the previous qualification will be accepted, but will need to be updated for the 2016 season