

ONTARIO SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Referee Registration Form For participants of Entry Level Referee Course

For Participants 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER

This form is to be retained by the host of the referee course

Name of Referee: _____

Date of Birth: _____

1.0 General Information

- 1.1 This Registration Form is only to be used by first-year referees, **18 years of age or older**, who are attending an OSA-sanctioned Entry Level Referee Course.
- 1.2 Registration is effective upon successful completion of the Entry Level Referee Course, validated by the OSA, and is effective up to and including March 31st, 2010.
- 1.3 Registration of the referee is for both indoor and outdoor soccer.
- 1.4 Registration on this form entitles you to referee sanctioned soccer games in the Province of Ontario. This includes tournament games, exhibition games, cup games, and league games. As per OSA policy, registered referees are responsible to ensure games are sanctioned prior to officiating.
- 1.5 Registered referees officiating sanctioned games involving players on registered teams, are covered under the OSA Insurance Programme (both accident and liability) and the OSA Discipline Programme. Registered referees officiating either unsanctioned games, unregistered players, or unregistered teams, are not covered under the OSA Insurance Programme, but will be subject to the OSA Discipline Programme.
- 1.6 Notwithstanding 1.4 above, registered referees may referee school, college, and university teams.

2.0 Signature of Referee

- 2.1 You must sign the registration form before it can be processed. By signing the form, you are stating that you have read and understand the registration rules and you are agreeing to abide by the Published Rules and Policies of The Ontario Soccer Association. In addition, you are verifying that all the information is accurate and any falsifying or withholding of information may result in disciplinary action.
- 2.2 Copies of the OSA Published Rules have been distributed to your District Association and are available on the OSA website at www.soccer.on.ca.

CONSENT FOR USE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

I authorize The Ontario Soccer Association to collect and use personal information about me or my child/ward for the purpose of receiving communications from the Canadian Soccer Association, Ontario Soccer Association, District Association, League and Club.

I understand that I may withdraw such consent related to receiving communications at any time by contacting the OSA Privacy Officer at OSAPrivacyOfficer@soccer.on.ca or by mail to: Attention: OSA Privacy Officer, The Ontario Soccer Association, 7601 Martin Grove Road, Vaughan ON, L4L 9E4. The Privacy Officer will advise the implications of such withdrawal.

****The OSA does not sell or distribute your personal information to any other third party not listed herein****

Name of Referee

Signature of Referee

Date

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**WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY – REFEREES
(To be signed by Referees 18 yrs of age and older)**

By signing this form you give up important legal rights. Please read carefully!

1. This is a binding legal agreement. As a Referee in the programs, activities and events of the Ontario Soccer Association and its Districts, Leagues and Clubs, the undersigned acknowledges and agrees to the following terms:

Disclaimer

2. The Ontario Soccer Association, its Districts, Leagues and Clubs and their respective directors, officers, members, employees, coaches, volunteers, officials, participants, clubs, agents, sponsors, owners/operators of facilities, and representatives (the “Organization”) are not responsible for any injury, damage or loss of any kind suffered by a Referee during, or as a result of, any program, activity or event of the Organization and caused by the risks described in paragraph 3.

Description of Risks

3. In consideration of my participation as a Referee in the programs, activities and events of the Organization, I hereby acknowledge that I am aware of the risks and hazards associated with or related to refereeing soccer. The risks and hazards of refereeing soccer include, but are not limited to injuries from:

- a) Grass, turf and other surfaces including bacterial infections and rashes;
- b) Falling to the ground due to uneven or irregular terrain or surfaces;
- c) Collisions with walls, soccer equipment and soccer goals;
- d) Failing to properly use any piece of equipment or from the mechanical failure of any piece of equipment;
- e) Extreme weather conditions which may result in heatstroke, sunstroke or hypothermia;
- f) Accidental or unintentional contact, collision or being struck by other participants or equipment;
- g) Vigorous physical exertion and strenuous cardiovascular workouts;
- h) Exerting and stretching various muscle groups; and
- i) Travel to and from competitive events and associated non-competitive events which are an integral part of the Organization’s activities.

4. Furthermore, I am aware:

- a) That injuries sustained in soccer refereeing can be severe;
- b) That I may come into close contact with other participants, including the possibility of accidental and unexpected contact;
- c) That I may experience anxiety while refereeing during the programs, activities or events of the Organization;
- d) That my risk of injury is reduced if I follow all rules adopted by the Organization; and
- e) That my risk of injury increases as I become fatigued.

Release of Liability

5. In consideration of the Organization allowing me to participate as a Referee, I agree:
- a) To assume all risks described herein and arising out of, associated with or related to refereeing;
 - b) To be solely responsible for any injury, loss or damage that I might sustain while refereeing for the risks described herein; and
 - c) To release the Organization from liability for any and all claims, demands, actions and costs that might arise out of my refereeing for the risks described herein, even though such risks, injuries, loss, damage, claims, demands, actions or costs may have been caused by the negligence of the Organization.

Acknowledgement

6. I acknowledge that I have read this agreement, that I have executed this agreement voluntarily, and that this agreement is to be binding upon myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and representatives.

Name of Referee

Signature of Referee

Date