

OYAA Referee Letter of Understanding

As an OYAA Soccer Referee I will abide by the following:

I realize that my main responsibility is the safety of the players.

I will arrive at my scheduled game **10 minutes** prior to the scheduled start time. I understand that if I arrive within this **10 minute window that the referee that is there can at their discretion find a replacement.**

I will come prepared to games with the following required equipment:

OYAA referee shirt

Whistle

Referee wallet with red and yellow card

Pen or pencil

Stop watch

Coin for coin toss

Copy of schedule for the day

I will wear my OYAA referee shirt so that it is visible at all times while officiating. I understand that if I do not wear that shirt that I can be asked to leave by an OYAA official and will not be paid for the game.

I realize that if it is cold or raining that I will wear the referee shirt outside of whatever appropriate outerwear I am wearing.

I will blow my whistle loudly and explain my calls.

I will follow the guidelines for threatening weather that is set forth by OYAA. I understand that the decision to postpone or cancel a game due to threatening weather is **MY** responsibility and decision, not the coaches. This policy can be found on the OYAA web site.

I realize that after 2 missed games that there is no replacement found, that I could be put on inactive status for that particular season and will have to petition OYAA to be reinstated the next year.

I will report any issues with coaches, parents, or other referees to oyaaref@oyaa.org within 24 hours of the incident.

I understand that to get paid that I can either come to the pay table as advertised during the season or mail my completed game card (s) to OYAA Soccer PO Box 476, Lewis Center, Ohio 43035. The postmark for the spring '10 season must be on or before **November 4, 2010**. I understand that one check will be cut after the postmark deadline. **I know that if I do not get the game cards in by this time I will not be paid.** I will have copies of my game cards in case there is any problem.

Referee name (print) _____

Referee signature and date _____

Parent(s) name (print) _____

Parent's signature and date _____