

2025 Bel Air FC Referee Meeting

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- Add the first number to your phone as contact “Referee Shannon O’Connor”
- Complete the ref course online- send Shannon a screenshot with your name showing that you completed the course (failure to do so could result in a delay in refereeing games)
- You will need to download TeamSnap and TeamSnap tournament. Find out what your login is for TeamSnap. If your parents used their email, they will get the notifications for games, not you. If you use your email, make sure you typed it correctly in the system.
- Ref Jerseys are supplied by Bel Air FC
- If cold or rain, put Jersey over Jacket/Sweatshirt
- You provide
 - Black shorts or pants
 - Cleats or Turf shoes to avoid slips and falls
 - Red/Yellow cards
- 2 Referees needed per game=\$30/game 2025
- \$45/game if solo referee (must notify assigner – Ms. Shannon)
- Arbiter pay is the system we use to get paid (electronically)
- Show up 15 minutes before assigned Game

Blow Whistle!! Loud!!

- If you have a sibling, please let me know, as you are unable to ref those games.
- Ask parents to move off the sideline 3 feet (get coach help if needed)

U8 Boys and Girls

- 8 v 8 (7 on field + 1 goalie)
- 12 Minute quarters
- 2 Minutes break between quarters
- 8 minute halftime
- Subs on everything except corner and fouls
- Max playtime for keeper 50% of game
- Offsides will be called
- No head balls
- Build-out line in use
- No coaches on the fields
- Zero tolerance for challenging the ref
- Ball Size 3
- Opening weekend, you can tell the U8 players to come all the way to the edge of the goalie box

U10 Boys and Girls

- 8 v 8 (7 on field + 1 goalie)
- 25 minute halves
- 10 minute halftime
- Subs on everything except corner and fouls
- Max playtime for keeper 50% of game
- Offsides will be called
- No head balls
- Zero tolerance for challenging the ref
- Ball Size 4

U12 Boys and Girls

- 9 v 9 (8 on field + 1 goalie)
- 30 minute halves
- 10 minute half time
- Subs on everything except Corner and Fouls
- Offsides will be called
- No head balls
- Max playtime for keeper 50% of game
- Zero tolerance for challenging the ref
- Ball Size 4

All Players will have with no exceptions:

- Shin Guards, cleats,
- Teams required to play down if an opponent is short
- players. The team that is short will play with no subs.
- 5 Goal max game score differential
- Proper soccer uniform (jersey, shorts, sock, cleats)
- No playing with Jewelry
- Earrings must be removed or taped (clinic, U8, U10, U12)
- Earrings must be removed completely (U13, U16)
- No playing or practicing with casts or splints
- No smoking by anyone on the grounds
- No alcohol by anyone on the grounds
- No pets by anyone on the grounds (dog, cat, etc.)

If Unable to Make a Games

- 48 hours notice in TeamSnap and Via Text to Mrs. Shannon (410-652-7119)
- No Show No Text (Future Games may be removed)

Misc Rule Review

- Pass back to keeper is an indirect kick outside the big box (NOT where ball is touched)
- Goal Kick Review
 - U10/U12 Opposing players outside penalty box, kicking team players can be inside box, ball live once kicked
 - U8 Opposing Players Build Out Line (yellow Line), kicking team players can be inside, ball live once kicked
 - Offsides rule in effect for all ages groups (except clinic)

U8 Build Out Line

- Yellow Line (build out line) is Offsides Line
- Throw ins – Bad Throws (feet off ground, 1 handed, etc.)
 - U8 Allow a 2nd try the 1st two weekends only, one try the rest of the season, then ball turns over to the other team
 - U10/U12 Only 1 Try (first attempt), then ball turns over
- No Intentional Head Balls – Indirect Free Kick at Place of foul. If inside the penalty box, bring the ball outside the large penalty box. Unintentional Head balls, allow play to continue.
- Game Length - not coach decision unless hot (over 95 heat index) If over 95 coaches can elect to do quarters for U10/U12 in place of halves (4 – 12minute quarters)
THERE IS A WEATHER APP ON YOUR PHONE
- Playoff Penalty Kicks – No Ties (write down player numbers, everyone must kick before players repeat) All different players must kick, coaches cannot repeat players.

U8 BUILD-OUT LINE RULES for Goalies and Goal Kicks

- U8 will feature a build-out line to promote playing the ball out of the back in a less pressured situation.
- The build-out line will replace the midfield line for offsides. An attacking player cannot be offside if he/she is on the defensive side of the build-out line nearest to the opponent's goal. -
- Goal Kicks
 - The opposing team shall be behind the build out line
 - Should the ball be put into play before the opposing team has retreated to the build out line, the ball is live and may be played immediately by either team
 - The ball is live when it is kicked and does not need to exit the penalty area to be played by another player
 - Players may cross the build out line as soon as the ball is kicked (1) Should the opposing team cross the build out line before the ball is played, the goal kick will be retaken (a) Players may be warned and/or carded for multiple build out line infractions on goal kicks

2 Person Referee System (Green Lines Are Referee Run Patterns)

