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**SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

**MARKING OF REFEREES DIRECTIVE**

Any club marking 85 or above must submit a detailed report within 3 days of a match either via MOAS for Premier Division clubs or for First Division clubs on FAFT (FA Full time).

**Failure to comply with this Directive may result in the Club being charged for a breach of League Rule 4.8.**

**For reference under League rule 8.31 clubs must also submit a detailed report for a referee marked 60 or below within 3 days**.

**Competencies for Consideration**

**Difficulty of Game**

To what degree did the actions and behaviours of the players and technical area occupants challenge the referee?

**Overall Decision Making - Did the Referee;**

* Demonstrate high levels of fitness and work rate throughout the entire game to meet the demands of the game
* Recognise patterns of play and not invade player/game space
* Correctly recognise and award throw-ins, goal-kicks and corners
* Demonstrate consistent and credible recognition, detection and interpretation of ‘normal’ Law 12 offences i.e. but not limited to; foul tackles, holding, aerial challenges, handball etc.
* Recognise Law 11 + 12 offences and advantage application opportunities, not merely possession, applied in credible areas and/or applied without detriment to match control
* Demonstrate awareness of when appropriate to use the range of management techniques available, before resorting to formal disciplinary action i.e. the STEP process
* Recognise where player(s), teams(s) are using time consuming tactics and takes positive appropriate action i.e. preventative actions

**Judgement of Major Decisions - Did the Referee;**

(Cautions/Non-Cautions, Send Offs/Non-Send Offs, Penalties/Non-Penalties, Goal Awarded/Disallowed or any other significant game changing decisions)

* Demonstrate identification of ‘significant game impact’ incidents and offences with appropriate action(s) applied
* Demonstrate the ability to recognise the importance of potential key match decisions and effectively move towards/gain an optimum viewing angle to (a) judge, (b) enhance credibility and (c) adds value to the decision

*In the highly unlikely event of there being no major decisions, a standard mark should be awarded to the Referee.*

**General Control and Player Management - Did the Referee;**

* Act in a positive manner in their Pre-match Communication, Off-Field Behaviour and at the Teamsheet Exchange
* Lead their team, ensuring all officials worked in harmony without contradictory decisions
* Display empathy for the game, managing game situations in an empathetic manner recognising the ever changing ebbs/flows, nature and temperature of the game and adapts refereeing style to suit
* Recognise when/how to raise his/her profile to aide their match control and remain in self-control of emotions, demonstrating composure
* Recognise when appropriate to enter face-to-face dialogue with the Assistant Referee(s), to aide visual co-operation and major decision making
* Effectively manage, when appropriate, two-way interaction with players, technical area occupants etc.
* Demonstrate a natural authority/confidence – not influenced by players, spectators or team officials.