



# RULES CHEAT SHEET

The Georgia Soccer Youth Rules & Regulations "Cheat Sheet" helps you quickly understand the rules of our Competitions.



## Pre Game Responsibilities

- **NO** dual system of refereeing allowed (i.e., two referees) ([Rule 230.3](#)).
- **3 certified USSF referees** for each 13U and older ([Rule 230.8a](#)).
- **Game day passes** must be laminated with a recent picture ([Rule 420.1](#)). Approved digital passes are acceptable ([Rule 420.2](#)). No pass, no play, no exceptions.
- **Game Day Line Up Sheet (GDLS)**; must be presented by Teams complete with player names & jersey numbers ([Rule 430.1](#)). Check the paper or digital passes & pre-printed GDLS before each game and report any discrepancies to both coaches ([Rule 430.4](#)).
- Each team presents two copies of GDLS ([Rule 430.3a](#)).
- **Handwritten names are not accepted, with one exception...** if a player appears on its team GDLS, but not the opposing team, **you** can write it in ([Rule 430.3](#)).
- Duration of the Game varies ([Rule 570.1](#)).
- Check the substitution rules before you play. For Rec, Academy & Select ([Rule 530.3a](#), [530.4a](#) & [530.5a](#)).

## During the Game Responsibilities

- **Coach dismissals**; coach ([Rule 731.2](#)) must immediately leave sight & sound of the field. Cannot return until the referee crew has left after completion of the game.
- **Player send offs**; player may remain on the bench provided he/she causes no disruption to the game. If he/she causes a disruption, remove from sight & sound escorted by parent or team official ([Rule 732.2](#)).
- **Spectator misconduct**; ([Rule 733.2](#)) (1) ask appropriate Coach to address the situation; (2) warn the Coach if it persists; (3) if it persists, ask Coach to remove spectator; if Coach refuses, dismiss the Coach. If spectator refuses to leave, dismiss the Coach. (4) any further instances, terminate the game.
- Instantly ask appropriate Coach to remove a spectator if using "**offensive vulgar language**" ([Rule 733.2](#)).
- **Match Terminations, Suspensions, Forfeits & Reschedules**. Games played short time as a result of any weather-related conditions or other conditions affecting the field of play are complete if at least one full half of play has been completed ([Rule 720.1](#)).

## Post Game Responsibilities

- **GDLS**; Referee crew agrees on all facts of the game, then completes the GDLS. The referee crew must print their names and sign all copies. Enter all cautions & send off codes on all copies.
- **What do you have to report?** all send-offs, dismissals, injuries & game terminations ([Rule 460.5](#)) within 48 hours ([Rule 730.1](#))

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# Guide to Writing a Misconduct Report

## What is to be reported?

Per the Georgia Soccer Rules & Regulations (Youth) all send-offs, dismissals, injuries & game terminations (Rule 460.5) within 48 hours (Rule 730.1)

## Before you file the report?

1. Make certain that you confer with the assistant referees and have all the above details before leaving the field.
2. Remember that each incident meriting a report must have a separate report; e.g., two players who are sent off means two separate reports.
3. Review the "What information do I need?" section below.
4. Almost every important word is in the current FIFA Laws of the Game web page (<https://www.theifab.com/>)
5. You have 48 hours to report the report.

## How should I file the report?

The report is an on line form that can be found on ([Georgia Soccer Referee Webpage](#))

## What information do I need?

Referees' Misconduct Reports must be professional and concise, yet complete. Supplemental reports should be filed when necessary to provide a complete description of an incident.

1. The misconduct report requires you to enter:
  - a. the team names,
  - b. the game number and date of the match,
  - c. the competition (league, tournament, etc.),
  - d. the player, coach or spectator name, jersey number, registration card #, team,
  - e. reason for report (i.e., DOGSO, violent conduct, referee abuse etc.)
  - f. action taken
  - g. description of incident(s)
2. The incident (G) must be:
  - a. as you saw it (the facts)
  - b. containing enough evidence and information to enable a Disciplinary & Protest committee to understand what happened.
  - c. Who was involved? What happened? Where on the field? When did it happen (time)? Why (is there context)?