

Welcome



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We will be recording this event.

Thank you!

A promotional banner for a 'REFEREE CPD EVENT'. The banner has a dark blue background. At the top right is the Hertfordshire Football Association logo. The text 'REFEREE CPD EVENT' is in large white letters, with 'Wednesday 25th November, 7:00pm' below it. A red horizontal bar contains the text 'FREE WEBINAR' in white. Below the banner is a row of four images: a hand holding a whistle, a man in a dark blue jacket, a man in a white England national team jacket, and a man in a black referee uniform.

Running Order



- Introduction and Promotion Opportunities
- Overview of Refereeing in Hertfordshire
- National Referee Strategy & New Referee Course
- Discussion Clips
- FAQ's

Refereeing in Hertfordshire




COVID

- Impact on workforce

Moving Forwards

- New referees
- Referee Support Group
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RE-STARTING OUTDOOR COMPETITIVE GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL – SUMMARY
COVID-19 GUIDANCE



This guidance must be READ in addition to The FA's general Covid-19 Guidance on restarting outdoor competitive grassroots football, found [here](#).

Please remember: Referees should only return to football when it's right for them to do so. There is no pressure to return and there will be no consequence or judgement for not returning. Everyone's health, wellbeing and safety are the priorities. **Under-18 referees should refer to guidance [here](#).**

BEFORE THE MATCH	DURING THE MATCH	AFTER THE MATCH
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All referees should complete a self-assessment for symptoms of Covid-19 before travelling to their match. If any symptoms are noted, you must self-isolate in line with current UK Government guidance.• Social distancing as per current Government guidance should be maintained at all times, where possible.• Face coverings should be worn pre-match and post-match.• Referees are asked to arrive in match kit as changing rooms may not be available.• Toilets should be available pre-match and for 30 minutes after full time.• Cashless payment of match fees is recommended. Referees should agree with the paying club on BACS/electronic payment where possible.• Referees must clean assistant referee flags before and after use, or advise clubs to use their own flags.• Referees should complete pitch and player inspections visually and at a safe distance.• The exchange/collecting of paperwork (e.g. teamsheets) should be done at a distance, with minimal contact.• The Respect handshake must not take place.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Laws of the Game and their practical application, including the decision-making principles, remain unchanged.• At the coin toss, the referee and both captains should maintain 'one-metre plus' social distance. The referee should toss and catch the coin, not either captain.• 'One metre plus' social distancing should be observed when referees are:<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Speaking to players in play or during stoppages.– Interactions between referees and assistant referees;– Issuing misconduct (yellow/red cards);– Assessing injured players;– Managing the substitution procedure.• Referees should avoid spitting, as well as reminding the players of the same responsibility. However, spitting is not an act of misconduct, unless it is at someone.• If possible, referees and players should avoid shouting or raising their voices when facing each other.• Referees are encouraged to re-start the game as quickly as possible, specifically at stoppages for corner kicks, free kicks etc., when there are often large gatherings of players.• If referees feel there are matchday breaches of The FA's Covid-19 Guidance on re-starting outdoor competitive grassroots football, even if they are not a discipline matter, these must still be reported to the competition and County FA. Referees are not responsible for clubs, players or spectators complying with The FA guidance.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Post-match handshakes must not take place.• If flags are used by assistant referees, the referee should clean them at the first opportunity.• If cash payment for match fees is agreed, this should be done with minimal contact and in an envelope.• Post-match hospitality may be offered in accordance with the latest Government guidance for bars and restaurants.• Changing rooms and showers may not be available, even in adverse weather conditions.

DISCLAIMER

This guidance is for general information only and does not constitute legal advice, nor is it a replacement for such, nor does it replace any Government or PHE advice, nor does it provide any specific commentary or advice on health related issues. Affected organisations should therefore ensure that they seek independent advice from medical practitioners, or healthcare providers, prior to implementing any re-opening plans, as required. Independent legal advice should be sought, as required and depending on your or relevant circumstances.

While efforts have been taken to ensure the accuracy of this information at the time of publication, the reader is reminded to check the Government website to obtain the most up-to-date information regarding social distancing and any other Government measures.

THANK YOU! NOW LET'S GET OUR GREAT GAME GOING AGAIN – SAFELY.

Referee Committee



Announcement 2021/22 season:

Change of policy regarding use of coloured referee shirts in grass roots football.

On no account should referees be expected to wear tabards to distinguish them from the players.

Reminder:

SCOR do not allow Clubs to play in black or dark blue kits.

Safeguarding

FA Playmaker Award (for those who need to complete their 1st safeguarding course)

Safeguarding Re-certification course



Safeguarding@Hertfordshirefa.com

Football Services


Protocol for dealing with discriminatory abuse

Temporary Dismissals



Sin Bins

Temporary Dismissals - otherwise known as 'sin bins' - will become mandatory for matters of dissent across all of grassroots football from the 2019/20 season.




HOW DO YOU FIND YOURSELF IN THE SIN BIN?



Players will only go in to the sin bin for dissent cautions



For use of words or gestures questioning or undermining the ref's decisions



EXAMPLES OF DISSENT

- Shouting at the ref
- Questioning ref's ability
- Slamming the ball in to the ground
- Sarcastically clapping a decision

DURATION OF A SIN BIN



For matches of 90 minutes, players spend 10 minutes in the sin bin




For matches of all other lengths, players spend 8 minutes in the sin bin



If the sin bin period has not expired at the end of:

- 1st half: Continues into 2nd half
- 2nd half: Continues into extra time
- Extra time: Player can participate in penalties

THE MATCH DAY PROCESS



Dissent




Dissent caution: Ref issues a yellow card and directs the player to the touchline




Player can't be substituted until period expires and not if all subs have been made




Whilst in the sin bin, if the player commits a yellow or red card offence they can't take any further part in the game and can't be substituted.




If the player commits a 2nd dissent caution and has already been booked, they will take no further part in the game and can't be substituted



If the player commits a 2nd dissent caution and no other offences, they will receive a 2nd sin bin. After which they can't take any further part in the game but can be substituted



If the player commits a yellow card offence on the field of play in addition to a period in the sin bin, they will continue to play



Ref decides when player returns to play

FOUL AND ABUSIVE LANGUAGE IS STILL A RED CARD OFFENCE!

Q&A Session



Save the date – Thursday 4th February, 2021

