# SURREY COUNTY FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION LIMITED



# 2017/2018 SEASON PROMOTION BOOKLET

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#### **Dear Promotion Candidate**

This Promotion Booklet is a reminder of the schemes requirements.

Please read all the information carefully and ensure that you fulfil all aspects of the scheme. You may wish complete the relevant sections in this booklet, such as, the Referee Match Log from competitions for games over the age of 16 (i.e. Under 17 matches) and eleven a side matches, Assistant Referee appointments, the dates of when you have attended your In Service Training and your Laws of the Game test details etc. This will help you when you are asked for these details at the end of the marking season by your Co-ordinator.

I am aware that the Coordinators will also require you to undertake other administrative tasks, so please ensure you do what they ask of you as they play a major part in your future.

I wish to remind you all that it is your responsibility alone to make sure that you fulfil all the criteria, e.g., completing the number of games necessary, attend In Service Training sessions, correspondence etc. If you are unsure of any of the requirements please contact your Coordinator who will be only too willing to help.

You are strongly encouraged to attend the annual Surrey County FA Referee Event and also attend other relevant workshops that are organized by the FA/County FA. You will find by attending these events it helps you develop your skills and aids your refereeing.

Listed below are Saturday and Sunday Leagues whose matches count as qualifying matches for promotion. It is therefore extremely important that you choose at least two of these recognised Leagues when you register for season 2017/18.

Some key dates are: Sat 17th June and Sun16th July (IST Dates) Mon 31st July and Wed 6th Sept (fitness test)

Good luck on your path to promotion.

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SCFA Referee Development Officer

# List of Saturday and Sunday Leagues whose matches count as qualifying matches for promotion:

#### Level 6 to 5

#### **Saturdays**

Aldershot Senior League Premier
Combined Counties League Division 1
Guildford & Woking Alliance Premier
Kingston & District League Premier
Redhill & District League Premier

Surrey Elite Intermediate League 1<sup>st</sup> Team Division

Surrey Intermediate League Western Premier and Division 1
Surrey South Eastern Combination All Intermediate Divisions

#### Level 6 to 5

#### **Sundays**

Camberley & District Sunday League Premier Croydon Municipal Sunday League Premier Leatherhead & District Sunday League **Premier & First** Morden & District Sunday League Premier & First Orpington & Bromley District Sunday Senior & Premier Redhill & District Sunday League First Surrey & Hants Border League First West Middlesex League Premier

All League Cup games in which clubs from the above are involved plus all games in Surrey County Sunday Senior, Sunday Premier, Intermediate (Saturday or Sunday) Cup competitions and all semifinals and finals.

In addition, adult Surrey County Cup appointments are acceptable. Over 16 aged matches in recognised Leagues and Competitions will be accepted for promotion (Level 7 to 6) at the discretion of the Observing Coordinator.

Suitability of Leagues and Competitions not affiliated to the Surrey County FA are at the discretion of the SCFA Referees' Committee.

# Level 7 to 6 Saturdays All divisions of:

Aldershot Senior League
Amateur Football Combination
Guildford & Woking Alliance
Kingston & District League
Redhill & District League
Surrey Intermediate League Western
Surrey South Eastern Combination
Surrey South Eastern Junior League
Wimbledon & District League

Sundays All divisions of

Aldershot Sunday League
Camberley & District Sunday
Chessington & District Sunday
Croydon Municipal Sunday
Farnham & District Sunday
Leatherhead & District Sunday
Morden & District Sunday
Orpington & Bromley District
Redhill & District Sunday
Southern Sunday League
Surrey & Hants Border
West Fulham League
West Middlesex League

Plus
Surrey County Women & Girls League
(Ladies and U18 Divisions only)
Surrey Elite Intermediate League
(Reserve Division)
Sutton & District League (top Division)

In addition, adult Surrey County Cup appointments are acceptable. Over 16 aged matches in recognised Leagues and Competitions will be accepted for promotion (Level 7 to 6) at the discretion of the Observing Coordinator.

Suitability of Leagues and Competitions not affiliated to the Surrey County FA are at the discretion of the Referees' Committee.

If you are operating on a League that is not listed above please contact Tim Lawrence RDO Surrey County FA for more advice at <a href="mailto:tim.lawrence@surreyfa.com">tim.lawrence@surreyfa.com</a>

#### SURREY COUNTY FA REFEREE PROMOTION SCHEME

This booklet has been designed to remind you of how the scheme is run and what you are required to do in your attempt to gain promotion to the next level.

Included in this booklet are pages where you can keep your own records e.g. matches that you officiate, dates and venues of the In Service Training (IST) courses, when you took your Laws of the Game test etc.

The Promotion Scheme is administered by the SCFA Referee Department along with its Coordinators. They will ensure that you receive the minimum three observations required by the Promotion Scheme. As a promotion candidate you need to get to know them as any questions or problems that you may encounter through the season to do with the observations, attendance at meetings etc. will be dealt with by them.

As part of the scheme you **must** keep your Coordinator informed of all your matches and any changes on a weekly/monthly basis to enable them to allocate Observers as efficiently as possible. This is extremely important when matches are called off or changed at short notice.

#### Their details are as follows:

County 5 to 4 Coordinator: Tim Lawrence at County Office Unit 2E, St Martin's House, St Martin's Walk, Dorking RH4 1UW Tel: 01372 387094

Email: tim.lawrence@surreyfa.com

### County 6 to 5 Coordinator: Rod Wood

33 Balmoral Crescent, West Molesey, Surrey KT8 1QA Tel: (M) 07860 400995 Email: rodwood@sky.com

### **County 7 to 6 Coordinator: Peter Watson**

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# Having been accepted onto the scheme it confirms that you have fulfilled the basic criteria and the following information is to act as a reminder of what you now must do ...

- ... officiate on two different eleven-a-side recognised competitions as listed above. It is advantageous to register with more than one competition as this not only gives you wider experience but also provides more opportunities for assessment. Consider refereeing on Saturdays and Sundays, if able, and organise your diary so as not to double book yourself. Inform your League Referees Secretaries that you are seeking promotion so that they may be best able to make your appointments as early as possible. What you should NOT do is to referee two games on the same day (excluding double-bankers which are not assessed), as you would be pacing yourself for two games instead of the one (when you might be assessed) and consequently under-perform.
- 2) ...referee a MINIMUM of twenty (20) games in recognized competitions, during the *Promotion Period*, which is from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017 through to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018. Therefore all Promotion Candidates **must** keep their Coordinator informed of their completed matches. If recovering from illness or injury, do not feel the need to referee just because you're going for promotion. Allow your body to heal properly you'll perform better.
- ...re-register as a Referee; with the **Surrey County FA** by the **15**<sup>th</sup> **May 2017** failure to do so could result in your removal from the scheme.
- 4) ...have both an FA Safeguarding Children in Football Certificate AND an FA CRC Certificate by 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017. (FA CRC is required to referee Youth Football)
- 5) ...attend the appropriate *PROMOTION IN SERVICE TRAINING* Courses(both must be attended if Enhanced Candidate)
  - Either Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at Curley Park Rangers FC. 10am to 4pm
  - Or Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at Byfleet Village FC. 10am to 4pm
- 6) ...pass the required *FA Laws of the Game* test, *which will be held at both* In Service Training Courses.

- ... receive a minimum of three (3) Surrey County FA observations, which will be organised by your Coordinator. All Promotion Candidates MUST keep their Coordinator informed of all their Match Appointments on a weekly basis and any changes, throughout the season. Please note, that the vast majority of observer appointments are made by 5pm on the Tuesday and no later than 12pm Wednesday prior to the match weekend. Thus it is important that you notify your Coordinator as soon as you receive the match appointment. If you find that you receive your match appointments later in the week, then it is unlikely that you will be observed and your promotion will stall. Seek advice from Tim Lawrence tim.lawrence@surreyfa.com
- 8) ... demonstrate a good level of personal Administration and that you are able to comply with all Surrey CFA Procedures: Including dealing promptly and correctly with all correspondence, match return cards, misconduct reports, attending commissions (if required) etc. Ensure that you wear the Surrey County FA Referee Badge on your referee shirt
- County appointments must be accepted promptly. You must email <a href="mailto:info@surreyfa.com">info@surreyfa.com</a> with any dates you are not available to referee.
- 10) Ensure that you are fully aware of County FA and League competition rules.
- ... we strongly recommend that you attend the annual Surrey County FA Referee Event as well as attending other FA/County FA Referee Events/Workshops.

# FOR LEVEL 6 REFEREES APPLYING FOR PROMOTION TO LEVEL 5...

12) ... whilst staying with the league you received your Level 6 promotion with, to improve your refereeing skills we recommend that you make yourself available once a month to one of the following leagues: Surrey Elite Intermediate League, Surrey Intermediate League Western, Surrey South Eastern Combination. We will arrange for you to be assessed on at least one of your games on the above mentioned leagues.

- ... As above, with one additional requirement. All Level 6 Referees who would like the opportunity to progress beyond Level 5 (to Level 4) and Level 5 referees who have applied for promotion to Level 4 are required to act as an officially appointed Assistant Referee in at least ten (10) matches; these may include local District League Cup Semi-Final, Final Appointments and County FA Appointments. We recommend that all Level 6 5 promotion candidates offer at least one game to our preferred Leagues.
- 14) ... Those who have applied for promotion to Level 4 will be required to attend the FA Promotion Candidates IST which is held regionally in the autumn. You will also be required to pass the FA Level 4 Referee Fitness Test. This is being held on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September at Kingsmeadow Athletics Stadium commencing at 7pm

### **Pitch Inspections and Communication**

We want to emphasise a few points to all of you in the Promotion System.

#### FIRSTLY AND MOST IMPORTANTLY

Surrey County FA Referees must not officiate at matches where equipment is considered not to be safe.

...Goals must be anchored securely to the ground. Portable goals may be used if they satisfy this requirement i.e. they are pinned or weighted down. The new style portable goal with the heavy back bar that sits on the ground is also acceptable.

Where this is not the case, the SCFA and the Promotion System will support all referees who walk away from the game if the goals cannot or will not be secured to the ground.

Should this happen you should report this to your League Referee's Secretary, the County Office and notify your Coordinator.

The observers will be asked to check this and "fail" any candidates officiating at matches with unsafe equipment as it is a breach of the Application of Law. This happens to at least one candidate every season.

**Secondly**. To ensure that you have time to check the equipment and the field of play etc then it is advisable to arrive at matches no later than **45 minutes before kick off**, some league rules will require earlier than this, so please check the league rules. Observers may be asked to comment on the Report Form about your arrival time and checking of the field of play etc.

If you fail to communicate with your Coordinator and/or the observer and the observer turns up to a match that you are no longer officiating at **YOU WILL** be removed from the promotion system. This has happened in the past, so one of your colleagues has already wasted the resources of one observer/observation, and this will not be tolerated again.

In the past Promotion Candidates have been removed from the scheme or not been promoted due to their lack of administration e.g. not submitting caution/misconduct reports and informing their Coordinator of their matches.

Please ensure that you keep your coordinator, RDO and League Referee Secretary aware of any changes to your email address or telephone numbers.

We do not communicate by text, Facebook or twitter. If you use these types of communication be very careful in what you say.

Please take note of all of the above and ensure that you apply the guidance accordingly.

## **RECORD OF MATCHES REFEREED**

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## **RECORD OF MATCHES REFEREED**

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### **RECORD OF MATCHES AS AN ASSISTANT REFEREE**

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IN-SERVICE TRAINING LOG				
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		FITNESS TI	EST	
	Date Distance Covered			
LAWS OF THE GAME TEST				
Date test passed:				
REGISTRATION NUMBERS				
County FA Registration Number:				
FAN Number:				