

U13-19 Season Guidelines

March 2005

Referees who officiate Oahu League (OL) U13-19 matches are to follow the guidelines below in the administration of matches and the season:

1. U3-19 teams play with a maximum of eleven players (including goalkeeper) at one time; the minimum number of players required for a match to occur is seven (including goalkeeper).
2. For U13-14 matches each half is 35 minutes in duration; halftimes are 5 -10 minutes.
For U15-16 matches each half is 40 minutes in duration; halftimes are 5 -10 minutes.
For U17-19 matches each half is 45 minutes in duration; halftimes are 5 -10 minutes.
3. All age groups in the U13-19 Season have offsides.

Items 1, 2 and 3 are summarized below:

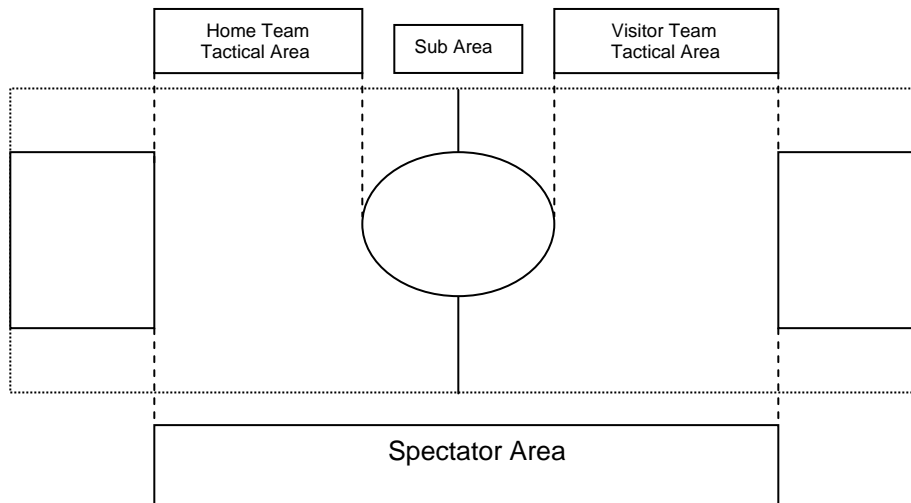
Age Group	Half (minutes)	Minimum no. Players	Maximum No. Players	Offsides
13-14	35	7	11	yes
15-16	40	7	11	yes
17-19	45	7	11	yes

4. Players and coaches must have passes and their names must be pre-printed on the game card (roster) to participate in the game; no write-ins are allowed on the pre-printed game card. Players or coaches whose names are not pre-printed on the game card are not eligible to participate in the game. There are no exceptions to this rule unless you have been notified in advance by the Assignor, Registrar or President. The coach must fill-in the top left of the game card; referees are not to accept game cards unless they are completely and legibly completed.

Coaches, DOCs and ADOCs will wear their pass on a lanyard around their neck at all times. Only four coaches, DOCs or ADOCs will be permitted in the tactical area at any one time. Only those coaches, DOCs or ADOCs with a lanyard and pass and listed on the game card will be allowed in the tactical area.

5. Both teams will be assigned a designated sideline and tactical area on the same side of the field. Players and coaches must remain within the designated tactical area. The tactical area is from the edge of the center circle to the edge of the penalty arc.
6. All spectators will be located on the opposite side of the field. Spectators will not be allowed on the team side of the field.
7. Referees will not start the game until the team, coaches and spectators are in the required locations.
8. Substitutions will only be made at the mid-field line. Coaches and players will not yell "sub" to indicate that a substitution is occurring; the referee will know that a substitution is wanted by seeing the player(s) standing at the mid-field line **before** the stoppage of play occurs.

9. Diagram of field arrangement:



10. Games must start and end on time. Referees may shorten the halves equally to remain on schedule, i.e., two 30 minute halves for an U13 game. The coaches have been instructed to be ready to start at the scheduled time. Do not allow the games to run late as delays up to 30 - 60 minutes can easily occur. It is very important that the first three games of the day remain on time as the last game at 4:30 may start at 5:00 or later. This may be your game!
11. Game cards are due to Soccerama by the Tuesday/Wednesday following the Saturday/Sunday game with accurate and proper notations for yellow and red cards. In the event of a player or coach ejection you must file the "Send Off Procedures and Report" (see the link on the OL Referee Page for the procedures and form).
12. The game fee schedule for officiating U13-19 games is listed below. As a goal, referees should receive their payments for games assigned and officiated within 10-14 days after the end of the month. It is the referee's responsibility to maintain up-to-date email and postal mail addresses with the Assignor.

Age Group	AR	Center
U13-14	25.00	32.00
U15-16	30.00	40.00
U17-19	35.00	48.00

13. To request assignments, referees will first review the assignments available as posted on the OL Referee Page at <http://www.oahuleague.com/Referees/ORindex.html> Second, referees will email the OL Assignor at assignor@oahuleague.com requesting assignments by the game number and position: Center, AR1 or AR2. **The requests must be for single days only; do not mix requests for different days in the same email.** The referee will generally receive an email confirmation of the match assigned and the assignment will be posted on the OL Referee Page. If you do not receive an email confirmation, the webpage listing is your confirmation. Referees must check their confirmations (if any) and the webpage posting and report errors of any kind immediately to the Assignor. **The webpage listing of assignments is the listing from which all payments are made.**

Referees should also check the webpage announcements daily to remain up-to-date on all OL referee information, changes in the schedule and cancelled games. Remember to REFRESH each page to clear the cache. Referees must also "opt-in" to the OL email system to continue to receive messages.

14. In requesting assignments, consider possible conflicts (i.e., siblings or relatives on teams being officiated), club affiliation, frequency of officiating a particular team, level of intensity of game you are requesting, and your game management ability and fitness, etc. If you issue a red card to a coach or player you should not officiate that team again for awhile.
15. There may be games for which no assignments are posted; referees may go to these games "at their risk" and officiate the game if no other referees are assigned or show up; referees must notify the Assignor if they officiate an "open game". If another assigned referee shows up to do the game the "at-risk" referee must allow the assigned referee to do the "open game".
16. Referees who are assigned a game and go to the field - and no teams show up - will be paid for the assignment. Referees will also be paid for the first assignment of the day on rain-out days or for other games that are cancelled if the Assignor does not notify them of the cancellation 24 hours before the game. Referees will also be paid for forfeited games.
17. Per USSF policy, Grade 10 referees may serve as ARs for U9 to 14 competitive games. Grade 12 referees may serve as ARs for U9 to adult competitive games. Grade 8 referees may serve as ARs or centers for U9 to adult competitive games.

In general, for Grade 8s to center, you should be two years older than the level of play; to AR you should be at the age level of play. If approved, you may center and AR at higher age levels. Do not request an assignment beyond your level.

18. If a club line is used they may only make in-and-out-of-touch calls; they may not make offsides calls. To assist you in making the off-sides call, have them stay even with the last defender at all times.

Club lines are eligible to receive payment for serving as a linesperson. For payment to occur they must go to the webpage and submit the required information. The referee needs to note the club line name on the game card.

19. On game days you may reach the Assignor at 228-1747 if you have questions or need assistance in resolving situations.
20. Referees are reminded that they are to follow the other guidelines described in the "Referee Advisory", in the timely submittal of game cards, and in the reporting of red cards.
21. In the event you observe a referee not following these guidelines or those in the Referee Advisory please tactfully remind the referee to follow them. You should also notify the assignor.