## MIAMI VALLEY EAST

## REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME A REFEREE

- 1. Must turn 14 years of age by Dec 31 of the year you start refereeing.
- 2. Complete the Referee Application at <a href="https://www.tippsoccer.org/referees.">www.tippsoccer.org/referees.</a>
- 3. Register for the *Introductory Clinic on the Laws of the Game*.
- 4. Read the Laws of the Game and Small-Sided rules at www.ossrc.org.
- 5. Agree to abide by the Code of Ethics for Referees.
- 6. Complete Concussion Training and submit certificate to the Referee Coordinator.
- 7. Complete SafeSport Training (if 18 yrs or older).
- 8. Attend the *Introductory Clinic* (classroom and outdoor sessions total of 8 hrs, usually held the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat/Sun in August).
- 9. Acquire a score of at least '70' on the *Referee test* (take-home, open book).
- 10. Observe a game during the first week of the season.
- 11. Provide your own watch that counts up or down and dark shorts; first-year TCYS referees are given a TCYS Referee shirt and whistle. (Other Clubs may provide a different shirt.)
- 12. Learn to access the game selection website and select your own matches based upon your availability.
- 13. Fulfill all assignments confirmed by the Referee Coordinator; notify the Coordinator of conflicts or emergencies as soon as they are known.
- 14. Continue to study the Laws of the Game and Small-sided Rules.
- 15. Attend the 2-hour Refresher Clinic in August each year.