

# ***Intermediate Referee Course Pre-Class Study Guide***

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The following information is to help you prepare for the Intermediate Referee Course.

**Reference Materials:**

**Required:**                    AYSO National Rules and Regulations  
   FIFA Laws of the Game

**Recommended:**        Advice to Referees on the Laws of the Game  
   Guide to Procedures for Referees  
   Referee Pre-game Organization Guide

**Pre-Class Activity:**    Review the required materials stated above.

Make sure you specifically review the following:

- The five philosophies of AYSO
- What the acronym PIE stands for
- Law 8 – *Start and restart of play*
- Law 11 - *Offside*

What is offside position?

When is the offside player judged to be offside?

What does the assistant referee consider to determine if the player in the offside position should be penalized for offside?

- Law 12 – *Fouls and Misconducts*

Be able to name the six penal fouls for which a direct kick is awarded to the opposing team if they are committed by a player in a manner which is considered by the referee to be careless, reckless, or using excessive force.

What are the three penal fouls of the above six that also include ‘attempting’ the foul?

What are the other four offenses for which a DFK is awarded?

What are the seven reasons for which a player may be cautioned?

The following hints or statements should be reviewed and investigated using the required materials for the course.

- Dangerous play can only happen when opponents are involved.
- If a misconduct occurs during a normal stoppage of play and before the restart – the restart would have been the same if there was no misconduct.
- The only kicks required to move forward to be considered ‘in play’ are the kickoff and the penalty kick.
- Referees are part of the field as are the goal posts.
- Review field dimensions -
  - How far is the penalty mark from the goal line?
  - What are the dimensions of standard sized goal posts
- A neutral referee is a certified referee in full uniform and not related to either of the teams playing. (center and assistant referee)
- At the end of either half, time is extended for the taking of a penalty kick (no other free kicks)
- Review your procedure for the referee pre-game instructions.
- Review your procedure for the ceremonial activities (entering/exiting the field, coin toss, penalty kick)
- The successful student shall have reviewed the Laws of the Game before the first class.