

Swift Current SouthWest SoccerFest Tournament *Field Marshal Duties*

The Field Marshal is an essential element of a well run tournament. You will help to facilitate a smooth transition between games by ensuring games start and end on time. When you arrive at the field, orient yourself if necessary as some fields have more than one pitch. Put on a Field Marshal (hunter orange) vest and carry a cell phone (if you have one).

The teams have been instructed to arrive at the field at least a half hour before game time. As you see teams arriving, touch bases with the coach or team manager and let them know how check-in will proceed.

Check-in is as follows:

Obtain Game Report, get Home Coach or Team Manager to fill out the roster and sign the game report. Make sure the Date, Division (age group), Field Location and Team names are also filled out on the game report. Next, deliver the game card to the visiting team. They will fill it in. Follow the same procedure used above.

After the game you will meet with the referee, get him to fill out the scores of the game and get him to sign the form. After your last game the game report then needs to be taken to the tournament office.

You will be a keeper of the peace. If game has parents that are shouting at the referees or generally out of control, speak with the team manager or the coach. Try to keep things positive. Chase people loitering and cheering from behind the goals (must be on the sideline with their coach or with the other parents). Remind people with dogs that dogs are not allowed on the fields. They must be in their car. Also, alcohol and tobacco are not allowed. Pick up trash as needed.

A referee can stop a game and ask that a fan or coach to leave the field or ask the Field Marshal to have the fan removed. Hopefully the fan will leave once requested to do so. If not, the Field Marshal will need to escort the fan or coach from the sidelines to a position out of the field of play. Sometime peer pressure will help them move along once the fan or coach realize that the game will not be restarted by the referee until the fan or coach has left.

Lastly, medals for the first and second place teams will be brought to the field on Sunday. Please distribute them after the championship game.

“The games are really tightly scheduled , so your organization is really important.”