

United States Soccer Federation



The Pre-game Conference

PRE-GAME CONFERENCE

SHOULD ALWAYS INCLUDE:

Technical Items

Pre-game Inspections

Team Mechanics

Game Administration

Coverage of Boundaries

Coverage of Infractions

Coverage of Misconduct

PRE-GAME CONFERENCE

MIGHT ALSO INCLUDE:

Environment / Atmosphere Items

Special Rules of the Competition

Team Tactics / Playing Styles

Characteristics of Individual Players

Personality of the Coach

Pre-game Ceremonies

PREGAME INSPECTIONS

Field:

Condition of Surface

Lining of Field

Goals and Nets

Corner / Halfway Flags

Balls:

Pressure

Number

Players:

Equipment

Roster/Cards

TEAM MECHANICS

Which Diagonal

Assistant Referee's Zone of Control

Mirror Flags

Pre-Game Entry

Start of Each Period Checks

Positions and Signals For All Stoppages



GAME ADMINISTRATION

Timing

Recording of Goals and Cards

Administration of Substitutions

Duties of Fourth Official

COVERAGE OF BOUNDARIES



Touchlines

Goal Line

The Goal . . . Good, Bad, Ugly

Missed Flags on Boundary Decisions

COVERAGE OF INFRACTIONS

Offside

Fouls in General

Fouls Near the Goal

Penalty Kicks Called by the Referee

Penalty Kicks Called by the Assistant Referee

Missed Flags on Infractions



COVERAGE OF MISCONDUCT

Players on the Field

Substitutes / Coaches on the Bench

Crowd Control / Security