

SUE'S NEWS

Saturday July 1, 2023

SHIRT of the DAY

Sunday July 2 – blue certified officials shirt (not USAV navy), white certified officials shirt or international referees can wear the shirt of their country

We should have enough risers for any referee that wants/needs one. If you take riser, please keep it with you all day or at least return it when you are finished using it. If a riser is left at your court, please return it at the end of the night.

BUS ETIQUETTE

When you go to get on the bus and there is a line waiting, you must go to the end of the line and wait your turn. You **CANNOT** cut in line where your friends are standing. Mind your manners and allow those who have been waiting before you, get on the bus before you.

VERIFY YOUR 4th Session MATCH COUNTS

If you worked the 4th session, make sure you have verified your match counts. The counts should be updated by tomorrow morning.

PHONE ETIQUETTE

If you call the north or south desk phone and it seems as if someone answers, but you cannot hear them, keep your ugly comments to yourself as the person who answered the phone can hear you. Hang up and they will call you back. The phone reception is not the best in this building.

WEST CONCOURSE

The referee room at the west concourse is in room 202B. It should be right outside the entrance door to the courts. The phone number to reach the West Lead referee is **402-599-0051**.

There are 18 courts being used in the morning at the west concourse and only 13 in the afternoon. If you are assigned to both facilities and need a ride from one to the other, call the general phone number.

Make sure you get on the correct bus in the morning if you are going to the West concourse. Matches start at 8:00 am, so make sure you catch a bus that will get you there on time.

REFEREE REMINDERS

You **MUST** be on time to your matches. If you are going to be late, please contact the admin phone (531-772-3340) to let someone know or call the desk referee at your championship desk. You must be on your court ½ in advance of the start of the match. Arriving 20 minutes in advance of the start time is not acceptable.

You **MUST** check the roster before the start of each match. The two referees should do the verification together.

You **CANNOT** start the first match of the wave before the stated time – 8:00 am for the morning wave; 3:00 pm for the afternoon wave.

A referee **CANNOT** yell at players or coaches. If you have something to say to them, walk up to them to talk in a calm, controlled voice. Use your cards if the situation warrants.

The 'off' team during warm-ups must either be on the court shagging for the other team or at their

bench. The players cannot be off the court continuing to warm up.

Do NOT allow spectators to put chairs on the sport court along the endline where there is netting. A spectator can stand on the empty court, but they cannot put chairs there.

Spectators may not put their cameras in the small space in between courts where there is netting. There is plenty of space around the courts for cameras and spectators. Because of insurance and liability reasons, spectators need to be in the spectator area on the opposite side of the bench area.

REFEREE BAGS

Many referee bags look alike. Please put some sort of ID in your bag. Put your name on your ball pump. Put your name on your rulebook. Put your name on something. At least that way, we can find you, if you accidentally lose your bag. Know which table you are sitting at.

SANCTIONS

Only the R1 can issue cards. The R2 can request a card, but cannot issue the sanction. Once a card or a warning is issued, the R1 needs to call the captain over to explain what the card/sanction is. That's the important part. Then allow the captain to return to the coach to explain. You **MUST** allow the captain time to explain. Both teams must be ready before you can resume the match.

Two red cards cannot be given in the same match. The second red card results in disqualification. (When one behavior yellow card is given, it applies to the ENTIRE team. Any subsequent misbehavior is a red card and loss of rally or point. If misbehavior continues, the next action is disqualification of that person. At that time, the lead referee should be contacted)

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

If you are attending church in the morning, meet by the buses at 6:30 am. (Abadie, Daigle, Dallas, Sung, Enright)

So did everyone have fun officiating boys all day? Did you learn anything new? One day is finished and we have 3 more to go. Keep up the good work.