

HEAD REFEREE WORKSHOP

TOPIC: REFEREE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

This presentation provides an overview of the Referee Development Program with in BC and Canada and the various initiatives. The areas which will be covered are Refereeing, Scheduling, Annual Requirements, Upgrade, and Referee Support. Areas also covered are retention, Mentorship and Assessment, and continuing Education and how it relates to all the levels of Referees.

TOPIC: ROLE OF THE HEAD REFEREE

This topic focuses on the responsibilities and duties of the Head Referee within club/districts/leagues. Attendees will receive an overview on the Job description and we will discuss communication, coordination and development as it relates to a Head Referee and their workings with Referees, BC Soccer Staff, RDO's and fellow Head Referees. We will look at both how a Head Referee supports the program and are supported by the program. Day to day workings and data collection.

TOPIC: REFEREE CLINICS

Attendees will receive an overview of the RefCentre system as it relates to clinic coordination and the administrative duties. What are the needs when hosting different clinics such and the logistic check list. Learn how/when to coordinate education sessions to assist in supporting referees for success at clinics. Understanding the needs of a classroom setting and a constructive learning environment.

TOPIC: GRASSROOTS REFEREE EDUCATION

Attendees will have the opportunity to participate in a Continuing Education session with the goal to further their knowledge base. The purpose of this session is to assist individuals in their role as the Head Referee and learn about interactive teaching. As Head Referees may not be instructors but will still need to understand the Referee as a Student and how they relate to the referees continued development. Emphasis is on the different personality types of the Referees and how to work with them.



PRESENTED BY:**JOSE BRANCO***Referee Development Coordinator, BC Soccer*

José is a former Canadian National Referee who joined BC Soccer over 10 years ago with the goal of improving Refereeing within the Province at all levels. He is the Lead CSA Referee Fitness Instructor, a CSA National Instructor and is one of a few Canadian Instructors chosen to attend FIFA's annual Futuro III MA Instructor course within CONCACAF. José has worked extensively with both the Grassroots and National Referee Programs across Canada as instructor and presenter.

Internationally José has worked with the FIFA Referee Program at the 2007 U-20 World Cup, 2015 Women's World Cup and has completed the FA International Instructors Course. He has taken this wealth of experience to develop and transform the Referee Program within BC and Canada.

**BOB SAWTELL***National Referee Assessor & Instructor, BC Soccer*

Bob served as president of the British Columbia Soccer Referees' Association (1988-91) and served on the FIFA List of Referees and Assistant Referees for six years (1990 to 1995). He was appointed a referee to the FIFA World Youth Championship Portugal 1991 (FIFA U-20 World Cup) and for the 1993 CONCACAF Gold Cup final at Estadio Azteca (Mexico wins 4:0 over USA in front of 120,000 fans). Bob served as a Referee Liaison Officer for the FIFA Women's World Cup Canada 2015.

Among many achievements, Bob has been inducted into the Canadian Soccer Hall of Fame and has received the Canada Soccer Merit award. Originally from Bristol, England, Bob currently resides in the lower mainland and serves as a member of both Canada Soccer and BC Soccer Referee Committees.