



South Carolina High School League

Good Morning,

Hopefully, you are all enjoying the start to your fall pre-season. As many of you are preparing to host a home football game in the next few weeks, I wanted to get some reminders out to you to help you prepare.

Game Officials: Once officials are assigned, you will be able to view them in your arbiter account. Please take time to get their contact information prior to getting to the game site in the event you need to reach them in an emergency or to communicate a delay in the start time.

Game Notes: Please go into your arbiter account and make sure you have game notes entered for all your home games. Each note should include instructions for officials as to where they will park, and dress for your contest. Any other special instructions you need your officials to know need to be entered in the game notes. **We have over half of the games week zero who do not have game notes entered.**

Dressing Room for Officials: Please take some time this week to ensure that the facility where your officials will dress is clean. It is important that this facility be secure during the game and no one has access to walk through or into the facility while the officials are in there. Dressing rooms must include a shower.

Security for officials: It is a requirement that officials have uniformed security on and off the field. Please make sure this is covered prior to hosting your first game

Wet Bulb and Heat: Be prepared to adjust your start times so you can meet the requirements of the wet bulb globe thermometer. It is always better to make an advance decision instead of one at game time. If you have early information that shows you are going to have delays due to the heat at game time, we encourage you to be pro-active in making a start time adjustment.

Postponing a Contest: IF you are going to postpone a contest, you need to contact all the officials to notify them. Ask them if they can work the contest on the scheduled make-up date and time. Once you have all that information, contact Blair (blair@schsl.org) in our office to make her aware so she can note the change in arbiter and fill in for any official that cannot work.

Postponement on site during the game: If weather causes you to postpone your game once you have started play and you need to resume play on another date, then make sure you check with your officials on site to see if they can work the new day and time. Once you have that information and if any of your officials cannot work, contact your local director or you can call my cell – 864-617-1683 to make us aware of what officials slots you need filled and the new date and time. If all of your officials can return, then email Blair in our office blair@schsl.org of the new date and time so she can re-enter the game in arbiter so the officials get paid correctly. There is no need to notify us Friday night if all can return.

Jersey Color: Reminder the home team must wear a dark colored jersey. The visitor must wear white. Any exceptions to this rule must come from our office after a written request in writing from the principal.