



2018 Assignor Spring Meeting

Multiple field names for the same site

Calplex vs Caledonia Soccer Complex (17 field names total!)

Hudsonville 28th ave fields vs Grand Rapids 28th St fields

we need to consolidate field names so the correct name and address are in GO and will appear.

In several instances, the State has been the culprit

League Abbreviation change

In order to free more space in the game number field, the league prefix has been shortened

from: GVSA

to: GV

Please make the change when you import games. The league name is changed to Grand Valley Soccer Association from GVSA.

Age groups: clean-up and reduce!

For 2018 each age group should be a single age (ie u9, u14, u19).

In prior years, age ranges have been used (ie u15-17, u17-19).

Even though GVSA uses ranges in order to create teams, we should not use ranges to assign refs. If the age group is a range on the GVSA site, import the game age as the older age in the range. A u15-17 age on GVSA becomes a u17 game in GO. You have to assign to the older age.

Ref pay and 1099's

- Midwest has a problem with the IRS
- We provided the names of the referees who received at least \$600 in game fees from Midwest in 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017.
- In order to avoid future problems, they may request each referee sign a pay sheet (copy on next slide).
- Some refs who obtained subs, and did not notify the assignor to make the update, could be assumed to have earnings from games they did not work.
- In the future, signing the pay sheet may reduce that problem.

GVSA Game Reports

- GVSA League requires game reports be sent in within 48 hrs – because:
 1. Scores need to be recorded
 2. Details of game including incidents, cards and goals scored by are needed
 3. Clarify can confirm conflicts with game details from teams or coaches

GVSA Game Reports - continued

- In the fall of the 2017 season GVSA experienced the following:

- 1. Over 25% of game reports were over 3 weeks late to be returned.**
- 2. By the end of the season 5% of game reports were never sent in.**
- 3. Over 10% of game reports had errors or were incomplete.**

- ✓ Missing sportsmanship scores needed to maintain the respect campaign
- ✓ Missing details of which players and coaches were at the games
- ✓ Inaccurate scores reported
- ✓ Missing details on the referee crew

GVSA which has one of the highest official pay rates in Michigan is not prepared to accept this lack of performance in the future.

GVSA Game Reports - continued

- **Over 25% of game reports were over 3 weeks late –**

Most Common reason given to GVSOA who contacted the center officials regarding this was that: **referee forgot to send them in and would look for them.**

The most unacceptable reason given was that: **the referee was saving them to send in at the end of the season when he had the complete set.**

GVSA Game Reports - continued

- By the end of the season 5% of game reports were never sent in –

Six GVSOA officials accounted for the majority of these missing reports!

ACTION - GVSA has requested that these officials not be assigned center positions – If CR assignments made then the assignor assumes responsibility for the game report.

GVSA Game Reports - continued

- **Over 10% of game reports had errors or were incomplete –**

ACTION - GVSOA will be working with officials to improve performance in this and all incomplete reports will be returned to officials for correction.

Game Reports- Referee Errors Submitted

- At the 1-8-18 GVSA Board meeting, the discussion was about coaches who sign game reports as correct, and later dispute the data (ie score was 4-0, not 0-4).
- Discussion also included fining the coach/club for each game report signed as being accurate, when the game report in fact is inaccurate.
- GVSOA objected to fining the coaches- referee creates the error. GVSA is tired of the frequency of errors and time to track corrections.

Referee Report Errors- solution

- GVSA Administrator will copy Corbett when the error is detected.
- He will contact the referee to determine the correct information.
- He will be the collection point to track the errors and to track which referee(s) cause this problem.
- Just as with game report submission needing to be timely, the material submitted needs to be accurate. Results will be passed to the corresponding assignors of the referee(s).

Referees who do not respond

to requests to submit game reports within 24 hours of the game, and/or referees who submit inaccurate information on the game reports will need to be responded to by GVSOA.

We do not have the time, resources or leverage to fine a referee.

Not offering game assignments, or assigning the referee to only AR assignments, can hurt the quality of game coverage. However, our mission includes promoting referees and improving their performances via assigning experiences. **PERHAPS WE DO RESTRICT ASSIGNMENTS** to referees who will not comply with timeliness and accuracy...

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