



AYSO Sample Advanced Referee Exam

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Note to Candidates:

The purpose of this test is to familiarize Advanced Referee candidates with the kinds of questions they will encounter on the Advanced Referee Exam. It is not a substitute for the Advanced Referee Exam and does not count toward upgrade. Doing well on this sample exam does not guarantee that you will do well on the Advanced Referee Exam.

Answer all questions according current editions of authoritative documents published by FIFA, USSF, and AYSO. **Do not assume any other modifications to the Laws unless explicitly directed.** This means, for example, that questions about the dimensions of the field are to be answered using the information in Law 1, not using the dimensions employed in small-sided games.

Do not add or assume extra conditions that aren't stated in the question. For example, unless otherwise directed, do not assume that the ball is in the penalty area.

The Advanced Referee Exam has approximately 80 questions.

You may keep this sample exam if you wish.

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True/False Questions

In the following questions, circle T for "true" or F for "false".

- 1) T F All free kicks must be played in a forward direction.

- 2) T F When a penalty kick has been awarded, the defending team may replace its goalkeeper with one of the other players on the field.

- 3) T F The referee has blown her whistle to signal for the end of the half. As the players are leaving the field a Blue player uses abusive language toward a Red player. The referee sends off the Blue player. As a result the Blue team must play short for the remainder of the game.

- 4) T F The referee blows her whistle for the opening kick-off, but instead of kicking the ball, the Red attacker runs across the center circle and violently strikes a Blue opponent who does not retaliate. The referee quickly intervenes and sends off the Red attacker. As a result the Red team must play shorthanded for the entire game.

- 5) T F At the taking of a throw-in deep in its own end of the field, the defending team may throw the ball in to its goalkeeper.

Multiple Choice Questions

Circle the most correct answer for the following questions.

- 6) A player tackles an opponent (that is, challenges for the ball with the legs) from behind and dispossesses her of the ball. No contact is made with the opponent. What is the restart?
- A. Direct free kick
 - B. Indirect free kick
 - C. Penalty kick
 - D. None -- there is no infringement.
- 7) At the taking of a penalty kick during regulation time, the ball rebounds from a goalpost to the kicker, who shoots the ball into the goal. The referee should:
- A. Award a goal.
 - B. Order the penalty kick retaken.
 - C. Award the opposing side an indirect free kick.
 - D. Award the opposing side a goal kick.
- 8) If time is extended for a penalty kick, that extension lasts until
- A. the goalkeeper controls the ball
 - B. a goal is scored
 - C. the ball rebounds into the field of play without going into the goal
 - D. the ball goes out of play
 - E. any of the above
- 9) An attacker's progress is impeded by a defender inside the goal area. The indirect free kick is taken:
- A. where the infraction occurred.
 - B. on the goal area line, parallel to the goal line, at the point nearest the place of the infraction.
 - C. on the penalty area line, parallel to the goal line, at the point nearest the place of the infraction.
 - D. anywhere in the half of the goal area where the infraction occurred.

- 10) A player who is lying on the ground kicks the ball. No other player is nearby. What is the restart?
- A. Direct free kick
 - B. Indirect free kick
 - C. Penalty kick
 - D. None -- there is no infringement.

Fill-in-the-Blank Questions

Answer the questions in this section by filling in each blank line with a suitable word or phrase.

11) If a player is injured, when may the referee stop play?

12) What is the height (that is, the shorter dimension) of the penalty area?

_____ yards

13) What is the width (that is, the longer dimension) of the penalty area?

_____ yards

Restart Scenarios

In each of the following situations, you are to determine what restart, if any, is appropriate. For each situation:

- If play has not stopped, decide if it should continue. If so, write **None** for the restart.
- Otherwise (that is, if play has stopped or if the referee should stop play), decide what the restart should be and which team will take it. Use the following abbreviations:

KO - kick-off
DB - dropped ball
TI - throw-in

GK - goal kick
CK - corner kick
IFK - indirect free kick

DFK - direct free kick
PK - penalty kick

For a dropped ball restart, it is not necessary to indicate a team color.

Unless otherwise stated, assume that the ball is outside the penalty area.

Each question in this section is worth one point.

No credit will be given for a correct restart with an incorrect team color.

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- 14) The Red goalkeeper standing within his own goal area receives the ball directly from a throw-in by his teammate and plays the ball with his hands.

The restart is a _____ for the _____ team.

- 15) A Blue defender trips a Red attacker about one yard outside the penalty area. The attacking player falls into the penalty area.

The restart is a _____ for the _____ team.

- 16) The Blue goalkeeper punches the ball out of play when he is two yards outside his penalty area.

The restart is a _____ for the _____ team.

Misconduct Scenarios

Directions: For the following question(s), indicate:

- 1) MISCONDUCT: If the action is misconduct by a player, substitute, or team official, indicate the infringement. Use the language of the Laws.
- 2) DISCIPLINE: Indicate whether a CAUTION or SEND OFF is required and indicate the TEAM COLOR of the player(s), substitute(s), or team official(s) being disciplined.
- 3) RESTART: State the correct RESTART and indicate the COLOR of the team that is to restart play. (For a dropped ball, no color need be specified.)

→ If there is no misconduct, discipline, or restart, write "NONE."

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Example #1:

A Red attacker forcefully strikes a Blue defender just outside Blue's penalty area while the ball is in play at midfield. The referee stops play.

MISCONDUCT Violent Conduct

DISCIPLINE Send off Red Blue

RESTART DFK Red Blue

Example #2:

Two Blue substitutes begin violently fighting off the field while the ball is in play near the halfway line. The referee stops play.

MISCONDUCT Violent Conduct

DISCIPLINE Send off substitutes Red Blue

RESTART DB Red Blue

NOTE: Each question in this section is worth 3 points, one each for the misconduct, discipline, and restart. The color(s) of the team(s) must be supplied for full credit.

- 17) A Blue fullback defending his goal deliberately hits the ball with his hand, but the ball continues into the goal.

MISCONDUCT _____

DISCIPLINE _____ Red Blue

RESTART _____ Red Blue

- 18) Before the Blue team takes a direct free kick, a Red player stands within two yards of the ball.

MISCONDUCT _____

DISCIPLINE _____ Red Blue

RESTART _____ Red Blue

Offside Scenarios

Circle "T" for "True" or "F" for False.

Key to symbols:



Attacker #6



Goalkeeper



Defender #5



Referee

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- 19) T F From a dropped ball, player #7 centers the ball as player #6 runs from 6a to 6b and shoots the ball into the goal. An offside infringement has occurred.

