

Highland Soccer League – Summer 2026 – Referees

Referee Fees

Divisions-Group	Referee	Assistant Referee
Sr A Men	\$64	\$40
U13 A	\$38	\$24
U11 SC	\$40*	

* U11 Fees are higher than SNS Fees due to our longer length of games

Referee fees are expected to be paid at the field by the HOME team unless the home club and local referees have agreed to a different method of payment. In the case of an official being a 'travel referee' from out of town, the HOME team must pay the official at the field.

Referee Travel

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SNS has posted that travel will be paid at a rate of \$35 for one official, \$12 for a passenger (2nd official) traveling from either Antigonish to New Glasgow or Truro to New Glasgow (these should be the only travel situations-No Antigonish to Truro).

Travel Fee Scenarios

The Referee will be designated the DRIVER and the AR's will be designated PASSENGERS. If other arrangements are made, it must be noted on the Referee Travel Claim Form. There will only be one Driver allowance, and 1-2 Passenger allowances paid out unless referees are traveling from areas in the province where they are unable to travel together.

** it is not expected that the situation will arise where 3 travelling officials are required and would each travel in their own vehicle.*

Payment Method

Travel fees for officials are to be paid at the field by the HOME team. For any neutral site games, the team scheduled as the HOME team must pay the travel fees.

Each travelling official needs to be paid separately. This means the home team will need to have cash in currencies broken down enough to pay out fees listed for scenarios listed above. For example, if the referee and 1 assistant referee travel together, payouts of \$38 and \$12 would be required (e.g. 4 x \$10 bill, 1 x \$5 bill, 2 toonies and 1 loonie).

Communication

When an assigner is required to assign out of town officials that will require travel fee payment, the assigner must contact the league administrator at least 24 hours prior to game time, and the league administrator will then communicate the details (total travel fees for the game) to the official home team contact as provided by each club so the home team can be prepared to have the required fees at the field.

Availability of Officials-Alternatives

Given the possibility that there may be more games than available officials on any given night, priority will be to assign older divisions first, with U11 SC divisions last. Should the assigners not be able to find officials for all U11 SC games the assigner will be expected to contact the home club at least 2 days prior to the game, and that HOME club will then be responsible to find a local volunteer to officiate any such games.

Entry Level Officials

There are several Entry Level or junior referees this season. These referees should have a green armband. The league has a zero-tolerance policy for abuse of all officials, but coaches are expected to make extra effort to support these referees as they develop.

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