

Summary of Changes For the 2024 - 2025 Coaches Handbook

(Some minor grammar changes have been made, all other new wording from last year is in red)

Cover

- Changed the Years to 2024-2025
- Added Brennan Posen as Assistant Director of Games
- Update referee scheduled to assignor and administrator and added T.J. Wilham @ assignor@dukecity.org

Registration, Transfer, and fees:

- Year changed to 2024-2025.
- Removed reference to League Register in matters dealing with team registrations
- See Registration Page for new wording dealing with registration dates.
- Once a player submits to the league the online application and required fee has been paid, and the allowable registration date has passed, they are considered registered and bound to that team for the entire seasonal year.
- Registration date for 2024 Fall Season is July 7th and for Spring 2025 the deadline is December 9th.
- A minimum of eleven registered players is needed to qualify for play in the upcoming season for U-13 and older teams, none for U-11 through U-12 and seven for U9 through U-10.
- Added - All players playing on teams in the Metro Schedule must be registered as Primary Players on that team's roster, including players that are dual registered due to national league play.
- Removed wording dealing with DCSL teams only as it was not needed.
Metro Application – to register for the Metro Schedule you must complete the Metro Team Application located online at: <https://dukecity.org/metro-application-24-25/>
- Duke City Soccer League Registration Fee – added \$150 per game for Affiliate Team Fees (to be used with National League teams).

Risk Management – No changes from last year.

Referees

- All teams playing in the Metro Schedule are required to have at least one team referee. The name of this person(s) is required before your team will be accepted into the Metro Schedule. This referee must have a current USSF license and must referee at least four is changed to five games a season. Throughout the page.
- Referee(s) shall, prior to the start of the game
 - 2) Added in the ability to use only the NMYSA roster with individual pictures in place of player pass cards. Collect either their NMYSA picture roster or their NMYSA roster and the cards of those players who are to participate in the game and coaches who are to coach in the game. The Referee must not allow a player into the game who is not the picture roster or in possession of a current USYSA or AYSO Player Pass card from the team that is playing.
 - Review the number of club pass players.
 - a. If over 3 club pass players per team per game for teams U-16 and younger or 6 club pass players for teams U-17 and older and they do not have an approved / signed club pass form, call the field marshal number at 505-440-0153 for directions.
- Referee assessment forms can be found on line at: <https://dukecity.org/referee-feedback-2/>

Some of DCSL Rules of Play:

- Change dates to 2024-2025
- Player / Coach Pass Cards – changed from needing a player / coach pass card to allow for the use of a NMYSA picture roster. In all cases the coach or player must be registered with NMYSA / USYSA

- Removed out of date language from the Rescheduling of Games section

Modified Laws for Small-sided Games for 2024-2025:

- Changed the Years to **2023-2024**
- U9's and 10's change
 - Law 5 the Referee – remove “Certified – Grade 9” and replace with Home Team **to provide a USSF Licensed Referee**. Also remove Infringements to be explained to the offending player.
- U11's and 12's change
 - Law 5 the Referee – remove Certified – Grade 9 and replace with **a USSF Licensed Referee**.
 - Law 6 the Assistant Referee – remove “Registered or Club”, and replace with **USSF Licensed or Club Assistant Referee at the discretion of the League**.

Lightning Policy & Procedures – No changes currently

DCSL / Metro Club Pass:

- Change dates to **2024-2025**
- The team's club pass game form must be signed by the team's attending coach and turned into the referee along with the club pass player pass cards. The referee will attach this signed form to their game report.
- **For additional club pass players, the club pass form must be completed and approved by the Director of Games and turned into the referee along with the players listed player pass cards. The referee will attach this signed approved form to their game report.**
- **If the parent(s) of a club pass player is removed from the sideline they cannot attend their child's next weekend games at a minimum.**

Modified Laws for small-sided games for 2024-2025

- Changed dates to **2024-2025**
- **For U-9's and 10's referee can have completed the small game manager course**

Added section for the Build-Out Line US Soccer Clarification Memo

Guest Player Policy – No changes

Discipline Point System

- Changed the Years to **2024 -2025**.

Ranking Procedures for DCSL

- Changed the Years to **2022 -2023**.
- Changed all references to the need of four (4) referee / points to five (5)

End of the Season Transfer Policy – No changes

Alcohol & Use of Tobacco Policy – No changes

- **Texting, Email and Social Media Policy** –No changes

Referee Assessment form – **Now online at:** xxxxx@ccc.com

Updated Metro Team Application

Insurance – No changes

Referee Assessment Form – No changes.

Please also read our [Disciplinary Policy](#) on the web at