

THE REFEREE REPORT

Questions and Answers on Filling out Referee Report Forms.

WHAT IS THE REFEREE REPORT?

- An official document summarizing relevant events of the game, including the periods before and after the game.

WHY IS THE REPORT NECESSARY?

- . • Allows the competent authority to validate completed games without requiring further information.
- . • Allows the competent authority to maintain records of winning teams, players, and notable events, and to take any necessary disciplinary action.
- Allows for discharging the Referee's duties, as specified in Law V.

WHO COMPLETES THE REPORT?

- The Referee (and the Assistant Referee as well, if appropriate).

WHEN IS THE REPORT COMPLETED?

- Within 48 hours of the end of the game.

WHERE IS THE REPORT SENT?

- To the "local" competent authority.

HOW IS THE REPORT COMPLETED?

- . • Referee completes report in conscientious, concise, and emotionless manner.
 - . • Only the "facts" (ALL OF THEM) are reported; no opinions, no rash statements, no exaggerations, no omissions. Facts come from the Referee's notes taken during the game and, as appropriate, from the Assistant.
- If the Report is to be effective, UNIFORMITY is a MUST.

WHAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

- . • Provide enough information about every incident to enable a disciplinary committee to do its work properly, but do not provide more information than necessary.
- . • Do not include extraneous comments about other aspects of the game in items on discipline; information about the condition of the field or player injuries should be in separate paragraphs - Game report.