

Sue's News

Sunday June 20

I have to say it's been a great 4 days. Thanks to all the lead referees and staff who help make it so. Thanks for 'taking care of business'. We look forward to having some time off tomorrow afternoon.

SHIRT of the DAY

Monday June 21 – New gray AAU polo (or white certified)

FINALS DAY

Tomorrow is the first finals day. Remember the losing team must stay to officiate on the same court. We do not have any extra referees to cover any team that leaves, so make sure you tell both teams one of them must stay to officiate. If you allow the losing team to leave, then you are responsible for finding replacements.

Tomorrow's matches can start as soon as all 3 teams are ready to play.

TRANSPORTATION

The buses will make continuous loops tomorrow. Only vans will go to the West concourse.

REFEREE PROFESSIONALISM

Even though it is the final day, we still have to remember our manners and treat coaches and players right. It is not necessary to belittle players or think we need to teach them how to play. You must maintain a professional demeanor before, during and after your match.

REFEREE DUTIES

Referees cannot move matches. Moving matches (either tie breakers, water on court, new wave, etc) is all done by the lead referee and the championship desk. Tie breaking matches are never moved, but the afternoon wave might be moved so it can start on time.

CHAIRS AROUND THE COURTS

It is not necessary to move chairs away from the courts more than one foot. Chairs are being moved too far from the court which then does not leave enough walkway between the chairs. It is not necessary for a referee to move chairs. And if the coach is moving the chairs, it not necessary for them to do that either.

CHECKOUT PROCEDURES

Before you leave the tournament, you **MUST** check out. You can begin the checkout process after 10 am. Match counts will **NOT** be updated until after 10 am. If you prefer to checkout in person, stop in the office sometime after 10 am or before you leave for the day.

If your match counts are correct according to the match counts posted on the website, you can use the online [Express Checkout](#) form and you do not need to go to the office.

If you have a discrepancy, you must submit an [online request form](#) noting the issue. Do **NOT** leave until you have been contacted with a resolution to your issue.

No referee should enter the assigning room unless you have been given permission.

If you are leaving at the end of this session, make sure you leave your nametag (for next year).

SECOND SESSION OFFICIALS REGISTRATION

If you are coming in to start working in the second session, you can register at the convention center in the administrative office N322 anytime from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. The office might be open a little after 5, but will be closed as soon as the last match is finished. If you do not make it to registration before 5, make sure you text the admin phone (531-375-8588) as soon as you arrive in the city, so we know you are here. You can then register before you start to work on Tuesday morning. There will not be a pre-tournament officials meeting prior to the start of the second session. But all referees starting to work in the second session should watch the referee powerpoint and read the Points of Emphasis document that are posted on the website and reply to the specific email that you have read both documents.

Thank you to everyone for making this first session run very smoothly. The staff appreciates your dedication to making this a great event!!

And to those who are leaving after this session, thanks for being here and safe travels! Hope to see you next year!