

## **Pinellas Soccer Officials - Code of Ethics**

I will show professionalism in all aspects of my duties both on and off the field

I will respect and properly enforce the Rules of the game to the best of my ability

I will show the proper respect for the game of soccer, the players and coaches, FHSAA, the State of Florida, and the United States of America, it's Flag and Anthem

I will be mindful of my position, and will not make any statements regarding the decisions or actions of any referee, regardless of my involvement in that game

I will report on time to all assignments I have accepted and will promptly communicate any game conflicts with my assignor or crew

I will be considerate and respectful of my fellow referees, and will not openly criticize them or their decisions during a game

I will work constructively with my referee crew to properly and fairly administer the Rules

I will ensure my physical condition is appropriately maintained for the games I am assigned

I will be considerate to the players and coaches without sacrificing fairness of the game

I will not discriminate against or give advantage to any player, coach, or school on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

I will be present for all association meetings, so I may receive proper instruction and understanding of the Rules and expectations as a referee

I understand that as a referee, I represent the Florida High School Athletic Association and Pinellas Soccer Officials Association with my service and will properly exhibit the requirements and expectations of the association(s) I serve

Failure to follow the Code of Ethics may result in disciplinary action at the discretion of the Pinellas Soccer Officials' Association Board of Directors