



# AMERICAN YOUTH SOCCER ORGANIZATION

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### **What is the uniform dress code for referees?**

Throughout the soccer community, referees and assistant referees (ARs) are identified by their uniforms. The AYSO National Referee Program (NRP) strongly encourages referees and assistant referees to follow the uniform standards for match officials established by USSF. Manufacturers may market soccer referee uniforms that do not conform to uniform standards for match officials established by USSF. AYSO has not approved any referee attire other than the official uniform options approved by USSF.

### **Official USSF Referee Uniform**

- Gold jersey with black pin stripes, black collar, black cuffs (long sleeve) or no cuff (short sleeve); black shorts; black socks with three stripe white top; black shoes

### **Official Alternate USSF Referee Jerseys**

- Black jersey with white pinstripes, black collar, black cuffs (long sleeve) or no cuffs (short sleeve)
- Red jersey with black pinstripes, black collar, black cuffs (long sleeve) or no cuffs (short sleeve)
- Blue jersey with black pinstripes, black collar, black cuffs (long sleeve) or no cuffs (short sleeve)
- The blue jersey may be worn when the gold, black or red jerseys will not provide a clear contrast to either team's shirt colors.

Uniformity on the part of officials establishes initial credibility for them as a team. The referee and ARs should wear shirts of similar color and style. If the referee wears an alternate jersey of a color that the ARs do not have, the ARs' jerseys, whenever possible, should match each other.