



## **2019 Referee Advancement Program**

### **Objective**

The Referee Advancement Program is designed to offer young and/or inexperienced referees a pathway from recreational officiating into development (YDSL) and eventually competitive (TDYSL) soccer refereeing.

### **Target**

This program will be open to match officials who have undertaken the Small Sided Game or Entry Level referee courses within the last 2 years, and who have actively officiated over that time.

Selected referees will be trained, mentored and assessed. Upon successful assessment match officials will be formally added to the Match Official pool for the TSA District Development League- YDSL!!!

### **Program Content**

Referees who participate in this program can avail of the following “support package” free of charge:

- TSA Referee Advancement shirt
- 6 hours of in class education (75% attendance required)
- 8 hours of pre-season practical work (75% attendance required)
- Assignment to a pre-season game to be mentored by a TSA Referee Mentor
- Assignment to an early season YDSL game to be formally assessed by a TSA Referee Assessor.
- Upon successful assessment, match officials who have completed all requirements will be formally added to the Match Official pool for the TSA District Development League- YDSL!!!

### **How Can Match Officials Get Involved**

1. Submit your statement of interest to our Referee Development Coordinator Amato De Luca via email: [refdevelopment@torontosoccer.net](mailto:refdevelopment@torontosoccer.net)
2. Please include details of your refereeing career to date- which courses you have taken and when, how many games (approximately) you have officiated to date, what club/s you referee for, and any additional referee education you have taken.

Places on the Referee Advancement Program are limited, so we strongly suggest contacting Amato immediately!

This program is offered using funding from the Ontario Soccer Long Term Official Development Program (LTOD).