

# Waikato Secondary Schools' Football Association

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## Referees Trophy Rules

### 1. ENTRIES

The Referees Trophy is a pre season tournament for Premier Boys and Girls teams. The WSSFA will invite teams to enter this tournament based on results from the previous season. Schools who wish to enter must complete the official entry form and return to the WSSFA by the designated date.

Late entries will only be accepted at the discretion of the WSSFA committee.

Each team must provide an alternate strip / match ball / whistle / referee.

### 2. COMPETITION FORMAT

There will be a separate boys and girls competition. Teams for each competition will be split into two divisions for round robin play in the morning.

Division winners will compete in the final in the afternoon.

The WSSFA reserves the right to change the format required depending on entries received.

During round robin play points are awarded as follows:

Win - 2 pts

Draw - 1 pt

Loss - 0 pts

The team on the most points after pool play will be deemed the winner of that division.

If two teams are tied after pool play, then the winner of the division will be the team that won the match between those two teams.

If this does not produce a clear winner then the team with the best goal difference will be deemed the winner.

If there is still a tie then the team who scored the most goals will be deemed the winner.

If there is still a tie then a penalty shootout between the two teams concerned will decide the winner.

### 3. GAMES

Playing time as follows: 20 minutes each way                      5 minute interval

A squad may consist of up to a maximum of 16 players. Rolling substitutions will apply. The referee must call on substitutes. Entering the field of play without the referees consent may result in a yellow card.

If a player receives a red card then they must sit out the next game.

If a player receives two yellow cards then they must sit out the following game.

Unless otherwise indicated all games are to be playing according to FIFA rules.