

Adult Soccer: Your Next Step

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Expand your game horizons with newer, varied, and interesting styles of play.

New and different styles of play expand your refereeing horizons. The game is the greatest teacher. New soccer ways help you grow.

Adult soccer has a 'player' focus. Other distractions are in the background. The players want you to succeed in their game. Add this experience to what you are already doing.

Player focus has more challenge, more nuances, and for those who take the challenge, a great feeling of accomplishment.

Adult play present opportunities for referee growth, beyond mere 'authority of the badge.' It provides a unique repertoire enhancement. It is a platform for learning leadership skills.

Amateur or adult soccer needs the help in many venues. You are welcome at all levels: competitive, coed, recreational, summer evenings, fall days and spring mornings. Most of us who have played are glad to see you.

There is no need to leave local leagues. You can do a mixed schedule of youth travel, in town, as well as adult games. You can be available: alternate weekends, a month at a time or on days / dates you choose. There is tournament play as well. Lots of choices . That is a good thing.

The upgrade process, a chance to seek much higher badge level, is through adult play.

Referees who have gone on, to officiate at the professional level, have gained their valuable experience in adult play. That path is a good one; a compelling one. We referees serve the game. Many coaches, managers, fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers, aunts, uncles still play. No doubt they have served you, in our community, so well in the past. Many still do. This is a wonderful chance to serve them. And they appreciate it.

Please try it out.

Make yourself available to an adult assignor.

Take that next step.