

# ***NOTES TO REFS***

Games that need refs are on the Alameda Flag Football calendar, separate from the player's calendar.

Times on the calendar are (theoretically) *game start times*. Please arrive ten minutes early to set up the field.

Please RSVP to calendar invites so I know you're gonna be there (or that you're not gonna be there). Thanks!

## **Before the game**

- Set up the 70x25 field from the rulebook. Mark the sideline with cones every five yards (not just no-run zones).
- Check each team's uniforms (basically make sure flag belts are on right).
- Give each head coach a chance to ask you questions.

## **Start of game**

- Announcer will announce each team and they run to midfield and line up.
- Give them a moment to shake hands with each other, say hi, etc.
- The team captain is whoever's on the end of the line closest to you.
- Coin toss (we usually do laces or spaces, but feel free to improvise).

## **During the game**

- I have stopwatches. One for the game clock and one for the play clock. Please try them out.
- Phones (or notepads) are fine for keeping score.
- Call the score and the time remaining at each change of possession.

## **After the game**

- If it's the last game, pick up pylons/cones and get them (plus ref gear) back into the gear box.
- After coach has had time to celebrate with the team, show the score to each head coach and get him/her to initial it or just say OK. If there's a dispute, note that.