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1. When refereeing young players match officials should,

-  Recognise the importance of fun and enjoyment when officiating young players
-  Provide verbal feedback in a positive way during games
-  Appreciate the needs of the players
-  Be a positive role model
-  Recognise that safety is paramount
-  Explain decisions – most young players are still learning
-  Do not tolerate verbal abuse

2. Officials should not,

-  Change in the same area as young players
-  Shower with young players – agree with the coaches a timetable
-  Be alone with young players at any time – if a young player comes into the dressing room ensure another adult is present
-  Check studs without the coach being present
-  Administer first aid
-  Allow a young player to continue playing if you have doubts about their fitness
-  Tolerate bad language from young players
-  Engage in any inappropriate contact with young players
-  Give a lift to a player unless there are other young people or adults in the car and the parents are aware
-  Take a young player to your home
-  Overtly criticise young players or use language which may cause the player to lose confidence or self esteem
-  Make sexually explicit remarks to young players even in fun

3. Officials must always report, in writing, to the Referees Society, behaviour by adults which you feel contravenes ÖRV Child Protection Policy.

-  Verbal bullying by coaches/parents/spectators
-  Physical Abuse by coaches/parents/spectators
-  Inappropriate or aggressive contact by an adult to a young person
-  Verbal abuse directed at you by young people or adults

The welfare of all young people is paramount!!!