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| Game Official/Referee |
| *Role Descriptor* Game Officials (i.e., referees, umpires) make certain that all players play within the game rules in the fairest way possible. They do so by knowing and using the rules. They avoid giving one team or performer an unfair advantage over the other. |
| *As Referee or Official you should*  * Study and know the rules. * Start the contest on time. * Be fair to both teams / Avoid playing favorites! * Move with the action (e.g., in Basketball, Soccer, Floor Hockey). * Be firm, consistent, and fair. * Explain your calls clearly to players and scorekeepers. * IF you are note sure on what to rule . . . Use a “Do Over” or “Rock-Paper-Scissor.” * Watch for bad sport behavior and report it to your teacher. * ABOVE ALL: Do your best (As a beginning referee, you will make a mistake here and there . . .It’s OK). |
| *What You Need To Be Able To Do and Know*  * Be highly familiar with all of the game rules that are in effect for games. * Ability to focus on the action in the game for extended periods of time (i.e., not easily distracted). * Demonstrate fairness toward all peers. * Good communication skills. |

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