Appendix A

PLAYER IDENTIFICATION CHECK PROCEDURE

In Ontario, player identification in soccer involves verifying player eligibility and identity by comparing the Team Roster Report and game sheet. This process ensures that only registered and authorized players participate in games and protects the integrity of the sport.

1. Inspection Procedure:

- A Team Official from the opposing team inspects the game sheet, comparing the player information to the official Team Roster Report (TRR).
- They verify the player's name, photo, registration details (including expiry dates), and any relevant discipline information from the game sheet.
- The jersey number on the sheet should also match the number on the player's jersey.

- No names or player information should be handwritten. The only exception is players using a TEP or STRP. Their name, OS number, jersey number, and YOB must be written on the game sheet with TEP or STRP after their name. The permit should be presented along with their home team TRR.

- Call-Up players will have (Call-Up) printed after their name. Their jersey number must be written in.

2. Team Official Responsibilities:

- Team officials are responsible for ensuring that all players and Team Officials have the required documentation.
- They must also note any discrepancies or issues on the game sheet before the game starts. Failure to report issues to the referee and ensure they make a note on the game sheet can prevent protesting the game later and result in a fine for that Team Official for not correctly completing a Player ID Check.
- They must initial the opposing team’s game sheets, indicating they performed the check.

3. Purpose of Identification:

- The player identification process ensures compliance with Ontario Soccer rules and regulations.
- It helps prevent ineligible players from participating in games and protects the integrity of the sport.
- Accurate registration also ensures proper insurance coverage and effective communication with players.

By following these procedures, Ontario Soccer aims to maintain a fair and secure environment for all participants.