



Team Officials & Bench Attendants in the Technical Area

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- Regular season league play permits a maximum of four (4) team officials in the technical area, one of which must be of the same gender as the team's players.
- A registered team official must be on the bench/in tech area at the scheduled start time of the game.
- All Team officials (coach, assistant coach and manager) must produce an EMSA I.D. card/e-card (or a photo of the card on an electronic device or printed paper list copy) to be permitted in the technical area. If you cannot produce an EMSA I.D. card/e-card (or an electronic/printed copy of the card) prior to the start of the game you will **not** be permitted in the technical area and you must sit with the spectators for the duration of the game. No other forms of I.D. will be accepted.
- Team officials must remain within their technical area around the bench and are not permitted to walk up and down the length of the field to coach.

Bench Parent/Attendant

- If you have a team official on the bench and listed on the game sheet that is the same gender as the team, then it is not mandatory that you have a bench attendant.
- If you do not have a team official on the bench that is the same gender as the team, then it is mandatory that you have a bench attendant that is the same gender as the team.
- **If a team has at least two team officials on the bench and listed on the game sheet, and at least one of the team officials is of the same gender as all the players on the team, then the team CANNOT use a bench attendant.**
- In situations where females play or trialist on boys' teams the team must include at least one female team official or bench attendant on the bench.
- Bench attendants must be at least 18 years of age.
- Only one bench attendant per game is permitted.
- At no time can a registered team official on your team (coach, assistant coach or manager) be written down on the bench attendant line of your game sheet. If a person is a registered team official that appears on your EMSA Portal Roster, then they must be marked down on one of the team official lines. The bench attendant line is only for those individuals helping out who are NOT on the roster.
- If a team official forgets their I.D. card (or electronic copy), they cannot be marked down as a bench attendant instead. They must sit in the stands for the entire game.
- The bench attendant is included in the 4 maximum non-playing personnel on the bench. This means if you are using a bench attendant, then you can only have three (3) other team officials on the bench as the bench attendant would be the 4th.
- Bench attendants do not need an EMSA or District I.D. card, but they have to show a form of government issued photo I.D. to the referee to prove their identity for those divisions that require I.D. cards.
- If the bench attendant is removed from the game by the referee due to misconduct, the head coach or the bench attendant will serve any suspension issued.
- It is recommended that the bench attendant attend to any injured player on the field, however any team official (regardless of gender) is permitted to assist the injured player once given permission to enter the field from the referee.
- If no carded team officials are present, the bench attendant is NOT permitted to take over the team for the game.

Team Officials who forget their I.D. card/e-card or cannot show it in electronic or paper printed format are **NOT PERMITTED** to be put on the game sheet under the bench attendant section instead. As a team official you **MUST** have your card (or an electronic/paper printed version). There are **NO** exceptions to this and **NO** other forms of I.D. are accepted for team officials.