

Goal Referee Resource

Role

A goal referee's job is to determine whether the quaffle passed entirely through the hoop and to rule if the quaffle went on or over the endline (out of bounds). Unlike other referee positions, they do not need to consider fouls or whether players have been beat. If they believe that the quaffle passed entirely through the hoop they should signal a goal (see signals section below). If they believe that the quaffle has not passed entirely through the hoop they should signal a no goal.

Furthermore, when gameplay has left the area, it is the goal referee's responsibility to fix the hoops (or signal to the head referee that a broom's down is needed to fix them).

As with all referee roles, ensure that communication is clear and follow the 50% rule - if you are more than 50% sure about whether a hoop has been scored, make a call.

Positioning

A goal referee should stand approximately halfway between the goal line and the edge of the pitch (the endline). This is marked by the red circle in the image below. They should also ensure that they move parallel to the hoops to get a good view of the quaffle passing through the hoops. If necessary they may need to step further away from the hoops to avoid players.

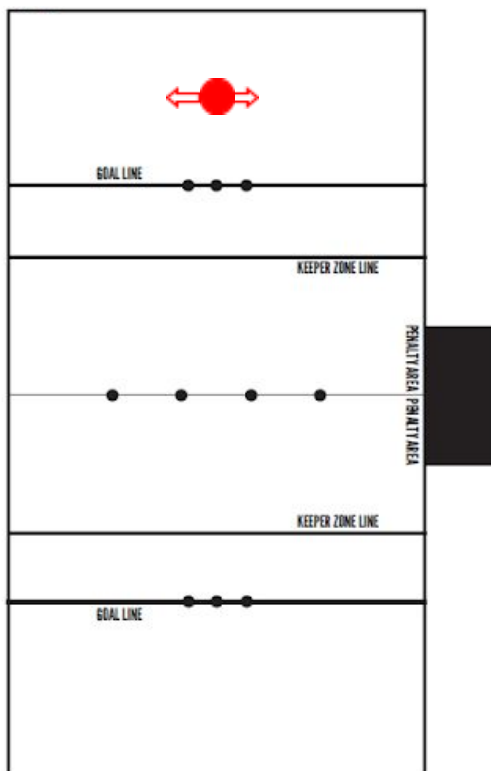


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Signals

Quaffle passed entirely through hoop - Two arms straight up



Quaffle did not pass entirely through hoop - Two arms out at the sides



Unsure if quaffle passed through - Both arms outstretched in front, palms up

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