

## **If their Whistle is Green, they are Under 18!**

**Starting 2025 Outdoor season:**

**The Green Whistle Campaign is a sports initiative that uses green whistles to identify young referees and promote respect for them. The campaign aims to create a safer and more inclusive environment for referees of all ages.**

**How does the campaign work?**

- **Green whistles are given to young referees to help identify them**
- **The campaign encourages people to treat all referees with respect and courtesy**
- **The campaign aims to help referees feel valued and encouraged**
- **The campaign hopes to create a positive environment for young athletes**

**Why is the campaign important?**

- **Community sports rely heavily on young referees**
- **It's difficult to tell a referee's age by appearance or ability**
- **When referees face disrespectful behavior, they may feel discouraged and leave the sport**

