

## **APPENDIX 'F'**

### **GUIDE FOR GROUND CONTROL - ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Ground Control duties/requirements:

- (a) be 18 years of age or older
- (b) wear an orange (or other approved colour) vest
- (c) patrol all fields used throughout the relevant match(es) and ensure they are located in positions where they are clearly visible to Participants and which are appropriate for monitoring on-field and off-field incidents and Spectator behaviour;
- (d) make themselves clearly visible to the Match Officials prior to the commencement of a match and where applicable ensure their names are printed on the match sheet
- (e) accompany Match Officials on and off the field of play if required or appropriate to do so
- (f) ensure that at all times, spectators comply with the SSFA Spectator Code of Conduct. If spectators are behaving contrary to the Code of Conduct, if it is safe to do so, remind those spectators of their obligations under the Code of Conduct and issue any reasonable directions to those spectators, including a direction to leave the venue if necessary. In the event of any further issues, if required, contact the police for support
- (g) be aware of the location of first aid facilities
- (h) ensure only players and team officials enter the technical areas
- (i) NOT be involved in other duties while acting as ground control (not refereeing, coaching, managing, canteen duties etc)
- (j) not engage in any verbal or physical altercations
- (k) not consume alcohol or smoke while acting as ground control
- (l) If acting as team ground control, do not, unless it is safe to do so, approach opposition spectators behaving inappropriately. Instead, approach the opposition ground control to resolve any issues. If the opposition ground control is unwilling or unable to assist, and opposition spectators continue to behave inappropriately, then if necessary, contact the home club representative for further assistance. If required, the home club official representative is to contact the police for support
- (m) provide a written report to the SSFA office setting out any inappropriate spectator behaviour, including any failure by a spectator to comply with a reasonable request and/or any failure by opposition ground control to provide assistance in controlling their spectators
- (o) maintain unbiased opinions/views when performing duties and behave appropriately when acting as ground control