

1. Be confident

You passed the referee test and therefore the IQA sees you as qualified to officiate a match. So be confident while doing your job (if you're not confident fake it till you make it). If you display authority the players are more likely to listen to you and the whole game is more peaceful.

2. Remember WHAT you saw

If you give out a penalty be sure what you have seen. If you're not the HR you have to tell the HR exactly what happened so they can award the correct penalty. If you're the HR you need to tell the player so they don't do it again.

3. Remember WHO you saw

„The red chaser kicked the bludger“ is not really helpful since there are 3 of them (and maybe they substituted). So in best case you remember the number or at least the face.

4. Move

You need to have a good view of the game ALL THE TIME. So don't stand on the midfield line all the time. If you're on the other side of the pitch you can't see what's going on. For AR in best case you adjust your position not only regarding the game but also the positions of the other AR.

5. Move close

You see this point is important. Especially if players are on the ground. If they know you're close they are less likely to foul and if they do you're more likely to see it. Additionally you can touch people while you tell them they are beat so they are more likely to recognize you.

6. Be loud

Be loud. Players have to hear you. Try to be loud enough so all other referees hear you. If you say a player ignored your ref call there is no better backup than another ref which had heard your call (nevertheless remember point 1 if you think you have been loud enough say so and the player will get a card no matter if another ref has heard you).

7. Focus on your task

HR focus on the quaffle game, AR on the bludger game and SR on the snitch game. Do so! Of course 2 people looking at something is better than one but not on the cost of leaving a part of the game uncovered! So focus on your task! Sometimes your focus will shift away that's normal. Try to recognize when you lose focus, and if you do, focus as soon as possible again. Also try to lose focus as seldom as possible

8. Listen to your fellow referees

The HR has full authority on pitch. Listen to them. If they tell you to focus on specific things, do so! But this is a two way road. If you're HR you also need to listen. If an AR tells you about a foul treat it the same way you would treat this foul if you had seen it yourself.

If two refs have seen a foul play and they have seen different things you should trust the ref which was closer (also see #6)! Even if the closer ref is more inexperienced – trust them in what they have seen. Anyway if you have seen a foul and a close ref doesn't indicate one don't assume there was none. Raise your arm. Maybe they saw it and have seen something why it isn't a foul. It will take just a short amount of time to clear this up. But probably they haven't focused on this part at that moment!

9. Respect everyone

Respect the players. If you respect them, they will respect you. Don't be afraid of them, don't treat them like rubbish and the game will be peaceful.

10. Don't worry.

Everyone makes mistakes. You will. Maybe people get sad about it. The important thing is to improve your refereeing. Somebody said your call was wrong? Well get the rulebook and look it up after the game. You're right? Perfect! (Let it boost your confidence (#1)) You're wrong? Great! You learned a new rule and can use it next time! (You can be more confident in the next game, you know more than last time!)