

## **World Cup Philosophy**

In order to encourage pregame sportsmanship, create a more efficient game flow, and reduce post-game antics, VCYSA has decided to adopt the “World Cup Philosophy” this year.

### **What's Different**

Teams will no longer shake hands at the end of the game as in years past. Rather, the teams will shake hands or “fist bump” before the start of each match.

### **How It Works**

Before each game, the teams will line up single file behind the assistant referees with the center referee in the middle. They will then walk onto the pitch and form a line on each side of the referees facing the spectators.

The team to the left of the referees will go through the line shaking hands or fist bumping. Then the team to the right will do the same. The teams will then take the pitch and await kick-off.

In the event that there is only 1 referee, then teams will follow on either side of the referee.

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