

## **GROUND CONTROL DUTIES**

Each team is responsible for Ground Control at their home game. The Ground Control person's responsibilities are to:

- 1. Ensure that games start on time.
- 2. Ensure that each team supplies suitable footballs, properly inflated, for each Competition match.
- 3. Ensure that NOBODY enters the field of play, including managers and coaches (e.g. to assist an injured player) until signaled to do so by the referee.
- 4. Ensure that teams are not coached by persons situated behind the goal line.
- 5. Take note of all injuries reported or observed and ensure that the Accident Report form in the Ground Control room has been completed.
- 6. Check that the playing field is properly marked and fit for play (with due regard to wet weather.)
- 7. Ensure that nets and flags (and sideline ropes, if possible) are in position.
- 8. Ensure that no bicycles, vehicles or any hazards are so close to the sidelines that they endanger players on the field.
- 9. Ensure that spectators do not encroach onto the playing field during matches, especially keeping the area around and behind the goalposts clear of spectators.

Ground Control officers must wear orange Ground Control vests at all times.