

2007 vs. 2006 GTP Comparison

This document summarizes the changes in the 2007 edition of the USSF “Guide to Procedures for Referees, Assistant Referees and 4th Officials” (GTP) as compared to the previous 2006 edition. Any text samples extracted and included are done solely for educational purposes and so are still bound to the original copyright holder (USSF).

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2006 saw essentially no change in the document. In fact, it is not worthwhile publishing this comparison except to alert you that there were no changes. The only real change is the cover. It is new, more “lavender”, and has additional sponsors listed on the back. The date was changed on the cover page inside to 2007 from 2006. In two places, a word wrapped differently and thus caused a minor appearance change in a paragraph. It is left to the reader to discover those word wrap changes :)

If you have not tracked the GTP recently, you are encouraged to see the previous change documents; most importantly the 2005 and 2004 GTP comparison documents. 2004 and 2005 had major changes (some of which were made then reversed).

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Note: as of the publication date of this note, the new 2007 edition had not yet been posted on the USSF website (ussoccer.org). In fact, no notice of a change had been made. We were surprised to receive this new printing and cover of the publication from an order in late June.