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REFEREE ASSESSMENT REPORT 2015/16






Match Details

FIXTURE	 Everton	0-2	Manchester City	
COMPETITION	Barclays Premier League			
DATE (KICK OFF TIME)	23/08/15 (16:00)			
VENUE	Goodison Park, Liverpool			



Appointed Officials

			MARK	BAND
	REFEREE	TAYLOR, Anthony	8.4	GOOD
	ASSISTANT REFEREE 1	BESWICK, Gary	8.6	EXCELLENT
	ASSISTANT REFEREE 2	LENNARD, Harry	8.4	GOOD
	4 TH OFFICIAL	FRIEND, Kevin	8.4	GOOD
	ASSESSOR	ADAM		



SECTION A – THE REFEREE

1 | IDENTIFICATION OF FOUL CHALLENGES

ACCURACY The referee's ability to accurately distinguish between fair and foul challenges.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
CONSISTENCY The referee's consistency in identification & penalising of foul challenges.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	GOOD	X EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
OVERALL MARK An overall mark out of 10 in accordance with the guidelines for this category.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	8.4 GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	The referee allowed a lot of physical play, waving away numerous appeals for free kicks during the course of the match. He was consistent in doing this so players knew how much they could get away with before being penalised. A classic example of this was a physical battle involving Man City's #20 and an Everton attacker, in which both players were grappling at each other but the referee allowed it to go. There were some instances where free kicks probably should have been awarded, such as for a foul on Man City #7 in the first half as he attempted to run past an opponent, as well as free kicks that perhaps shouldn't have been, such as the foul given against Man City #25 on the edge of the penalty area when replays showed the ball was won. Overall, however, foul detection was of a good standard.					

2 | POSITIONING & MOVEMENT

READING OF THE GAME The referee's ability to see play developing & adjust positioning & movement accordingly.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
POSITIONAL AWARENESS The referee's awareness of his surroundings, including position of the players & the ball.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
OVERALL MARK An overall mark out of 10 in accordance with the guidelines for this category.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	7.9 GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	The ball hit the referee in the lower leg as a result of the referee getting too close to the ball & players. He found himself in and amongst a group of 3 players and as a short pass was attempted, he was struck by the ball. There was no way the referee could have got out of the way, but more awareness of where the players were would have meant the referee would have taken up a safer position. It is to be expected that the referee will come close to the play on a small pitch like Goodison Park and as such the referee should be more thoughtful in his movement, perhaps taking a further step back from play to avoid interfering.					

3 | MAN MANAGEMENT

TECHNIQUES The methods used by the referee to manage situations and cooperate with the players.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
EFFECTIVENESS The success of the methods used by the referee to manage players & situations.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
OVERALL MARK An overall mark out of 10 in accordance with the guidelines for this category.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	8.3 GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	The referee demonstrated good man management techniques where he could, he could be seen talking to players after awarding free kicks, although there were some signs of dissent that the referee could have shown more authority and handled better. The first was following a foul committed by an Everton player, who disagreed with the referees decision and was very vocal in letting him know. Perhaps Taylor could have called the player over to him & had a quiet word rather than simply ignoring the dissent. Taylor could have also done the same when Man City's #25 protested his innocence after conceding a free kick on the edge of his penalty area.					

4 | DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS

ACCURACY The accuracy of the referee's identification of cautionable and dismissable offenses.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	GOOD	X EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
CONSISTENCY The referee's consistency in identifying cautionable and dismissable offenses.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	GOOD	X EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
OVERALL MARK An overall mark out of 10 in accordance with the guidelines for this category.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	GOOD	8.6 EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	The cautions for Man City's Fernandinho and Mangala were correct in law. Although there was debate as to whether Fernandinho's tackle was a foul, if the referee award it then it must be accompanied with a caution due to the speed & promise of the attack and the location of the foul. Samir Nasri was also shown a yellow card, although it is unclear what this was for, with some suggesting it may have been for dissent.					

5 | FITNESS

OVERALL MARK	SATISFACTORY	GOOD	8.7 EXCELLENT
COMMENTS	Taylor demonstrated a very good level of fitness, fully capable of sprinting from one end of the pitch to the other, which he was required to do given the speed of both Man City and Everton's counter attacks.		

6 | OVERALL GAME MANAGEMENT & APPLICATION OF THE L.O.T.G

GAME MANAGEMENT The referee's overall management of the occasion and handling of the match.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
APPLICATION OF THE L.O.T.G The referee's knowledge and accurate implementation of the L.O.T.G throughout.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
OVERALL MARK An overall mark out of 10 in accordance with the guidelines for this category.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	8.4 GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	The game was managed well overall, with the refereeing allowing a lot to go which undoubtedly would have helped the game. The referee was consistent in his identification of fouls and cautions and delivered an all-round strong performance.					

7 | OVERALL MARK

CATEGORY	MARK	BAND
1	8.4	GOOD
2	7.9	SATISFACTORY
3	8.3	GOOD
4	8.6	EXCELLENT
5	8.7	EXCELLENT
6	8.4	GOOD
OVERALL Add the above marks together and divide by 6. Round up or down to the first decimal place. In instances where the referee has made 1 or more major errors, this mark is limited to 7.9.	8.4	GOOD



SECTION B – THE ASSISTANT REFEREES

1 | OFFSIDE ACCURACY

ASSISTANT REFEREE 1	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	GOOD	X EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
ASSISTANT REFEREE 2	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS	Assistant 1, Gary Beswick, got a few very tight offside calls correct. Crucially, he flagged Everton's Lukaku offside just before he scored. Replays showed it was a very tight decision but Lukaku was marginally off. An excellent decision.					

2 | TEAMWORK & COMMUNICATION

ASSISTANT REFEREE 1	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
ASSISTANT REFEREE 2	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS	Communication between referee and assistants was visibly good, with both assistants helping the referee where they could with routine decisions.					

3 | OVERALL MARKS

ASSISTANT REFEREE 1	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	GOOD	8.6 EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
ASSISTANT REFEREE 2	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	8.4 GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS	Assistant 1 was tested and did extremely well with some very good offside calls. Assistant 2 had a quiet afternoon but did what was required when called upon.					



SECTION C – THE 4TH OFFICIAL

1 | CONTRIBUTION TO THE TEAM

OVERALL MARK	POOR	SATISFACTORY	8.4 GOOD	
COMMENTS	The fourth official completed his duties as expected.			