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REFEREE ASSESSMENT REPORT 2015/16





Match Details

FIXTURE	 Norwich City	1-1	Stoke City	
COMPETITION	Barclays Premier League			
DATE (KICK OFF TIME)	22/08/15 (15:00)			
VENUE	Carrow Road, Norwich			



Appointed Officials

			MARK	BAND
	REFEREE	DEAN, Michael	8.2	GOOD
	ASSISTANT REFEREE 1	GARRATT, Andrew	8.3	GOOD
	ASSISTANT REFEREE 2	NUNN, Adam	8.6	EXCELLENT
	4 TH OFFICIAL	ATTWELL, Stuart	8.3	GOOD
	ASSESSOR	NICOLE		



SECTION A – THE REFEREE

1 | IDENTIFICATION OF FOUL CHALLENGES

ACCURACY The referee's ability to accurately distinguish between fair and foul challenges.	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px;">UNACCEPTABLE</div> <div style="background-color: orange; color: white; padding: 2px;">POOR</div> <div style="background-color: yellow; color: black; padding: 2px;">SATISFACTORY</div> <div style="background-color: lightgreen; color: black; padding: 2px;">X GOOD</div> <div style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 2px;">EXCELLENT</div> <div style="background-color: darkgreen; color: white; padding: 2px;">OUTSTANDING</div> </div>
CONSISTENCY The referee's consistency in identification & penalising of foul challenges.	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px;">UNACCEPTABLE</div> <div style="background-color: orange; color: white; padding: 2px;">POOR</div> <div style="background-color: yellow; color: black; padding: 2px;">SATISFACTORY</div> <div style="background-color: lightgreen; color: black; padding: 2px;">X GOOD</div> <div style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 2px;">EXCELLENT</div> <div style="background-color: darkgreen; color: white; padding: 2px;">OUTSTANDING</div> </div>
OVERALL MARK An overall mark out of 10 in accordance with the guidelines for this category.	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px;">UNACCEPTABLE</div> <div style="background-color: orange; color: white; padding: 2px;">POOR</div> <div style="background-color: yellow; color: black; padding: 2px;">SATISFACTORY</div> <div style="background-color: lightgreen; color: black; padding: 2px;">8.2 GOOD</div> <div style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 2px;">EXCELLENT</div> <div style="background-color: darkgreen; color: white; padding: 2px;">OUTSTANDING</div> </div>
COMMENTS Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	<p>The referee's ability to distinguish fouls was good, especially in the 6th minute when the Stoke player fouled the Norwich player. Although it appeared to be no foul to the commentators, it could be determined that the Stoke player, although he did not use much force, pushed the Norwich player from behind. The referee was correct in awarding the free kick and for not sanctioning the Stoke player. In the 9th minute Norwich claimed that the Stoke defender handled the ball, which couldn't clearly be determined on camera. Even from the replay it was very difficult to discern, however, I believe that the referee was correct in his ruling. Though the referee was consistent in his calls, he missed a few cases of holding and little pushes from behind that, although were not very important, could have been called to prevent the game from escalating. In the 51st minute, however, he correctly allowed play to continue after a 'shoulder-to-shoulder' incident causing a Stoke player to fall to the ground. This demonstrated his ability to distinguish fouls.</p>

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	8.1 GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	The referee appeared to be very aware of the positions of the players and ball, often adjusting his position to be able to see the play more clearly. He did not sprint very often though, which could have produced problems, although it did not seem to cause an issue in this match. In the 12th minute the ball did hit the referee in his foot, and it definitely could have been avoided.					

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.	As mentioned earlier, the referee called a 'small' foul in the 6th minute. Since the referee called such a minor foul it demonstrated that he would not tolerate dirty playing and etc, thus setting the tone very early in the match. Also, in the 9th minute Norwich claimed that the Stoke defender handled the ball, which couldn't clearly be determined on camera. The referee did well in ignoring the claims of the players, and 'calling his own game.' It was evident that the referee controlled the game fairly well, as there did not seem to be any issues with dealing with the players. The referee appropriately called a 'water break' which helped the players to refresh themselves, and cool down, both physically and emotionally, as high temperatures can affect the temperament of the players. Unfortunately, since the referee allowed many 'little' fouls, the game slightly escalated as more and more fouls continued to occur.					

4 | DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS

ACCURACY The accuracy of the referee's identification of cautionable and dismissable offenses.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
CONSISTENCY The referee's consistency in identifying cautionable and dismissable offenses.	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	8.0 GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	In the 10th minute after Norwich's deliberate handball the referee did not give a card to the player, which was appropriate, since the offence did not occur very close to the goal, and it did not deny an obvious goal scoring opportunity. The player was, however, given a sharp warning since it was obviously deliberate. The referee could have given a few sanctions in the 31st minute, after a foul committed by Norwich City, firstly for the foul itself and secondly for the players involved in a slight altercation while preparing for the free kick. The referee correctly gave a caution in the 45th minute, however, he should have done so earlier on in the match. Also, a caution was correctly given to Norwich, after a holding offence.					

5 | FITNESS

OVERALL MARK	SATISFACTORY	8.4	EXCELLENT	
COMMENTS	I noticed that the referee, although he did keep up with play, did not sprint very often. He was mostly in the correct position, however it may have benefited him to be a little bit closer in a few instances. If he had sprinted these few times it would have been better than jogging towards the play.			

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	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	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
OVERALL MARK An overall mark out of 10 in accordance with the guidelines for this category.	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	8.2	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS Brief comments by the assessor, applied to this category, with reference to specific incidents where appropriate.	It was obvious that the referee definitely knew the laws of the game as he applied them throughout the match. The game was also managed well, as no obvious issues arose.					

7 | OVERALL MARK

CATEGORY	MARK	BAND
1	8.2	GOOD
2	8.1	GOOD
3	8.3	GOOD
4	8.0	GOOD
5	8.4	GOOD
6	8.2	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.	8.2	GOOD



SECTION B – THE ASSISTANT REFEREES

1 | OFFSIDE ACCURACY

ASSISTANT REFEREE 1	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
ASSISTANT REFEREE 2	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	GOOD	X	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS	In the 11th minute AR 2 made a good decision to leave his flag down. The Stoke player was very <i>close</i> to being offside, however he waited until the last possible moment to make his run past the second last player, thus he was onside when the ball was kicked. The Stoke player scored from this play. The AR correctly let play go on since the player was onside when the ball was kicked. It was a difficult decision, since it was very close but the referee made the					

	correct one. The AR correctly called an offside offence in the 15th minute as well, when the player went from an offside position into an onside position to receive the ball. AR1 also made very accurate offside calls, for example in the 28th minute, when Norwich scored their goal. There were multiple Norwich players close to the net, however the one who was NOT in an offside position scored, as the AR correctly left his flag down.
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2 | TEAMWORK & COMMUNICATION

ASSISTANT REFEREE 1	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
ASSISTANT REFEREE 2	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	X GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS	It was obvious that the assistant referees made eye contact before making calls, which showed good communication between the referee team.					

3 | OVERALL MARKS

ASSISTANT REFEREE 1	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	8.3 GOOD	EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
ASSISTANT REFEREE 2	UNACCEPTABLE	POOR	SATISFACTORY	GOOD	8.6 EXCELLENT	OUTSTANDING
COMMENTS	AR 2 appeared to be very attentive and alert, always trying his best to be in line with the last man. AR2 also made a good call when the Norwich player deliberately handled the ball with his arm, in the 10th minute.					



SECTION C – THE 4TH OFFICIAL

1 | CONTRIBUTION TO THE TEAM

OVERALL MARK	POOR	SATISFACTORY	8.3 GOOD
COMMENTS	The fourth official appropriately assisted the referee with his duties, and met the expectations required of him.		