SUFFOLK COUNTY SOCCER OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Movement Policy (adopted 8/17/23)

- 1. A member must be in good standing with this association to be considered for movement. For example, a member who has failed to pay dues, placed on probation or is suspended is not considered to be in good standing.
- 2. All movement will be based on the needs of the SCSOA to fulfill game assignments.
- 3. Movement will be based on coaches' ratings compiled by Section XI.
- 4. A member must work a minimum of 28 games at their primary level during within the preceding two years or 35 games over the preceding three-year period to be considered for upward movement.
- 5. The rating for movement will be based on the average rating over the identified period. The rating system utilized, weighted or unweighted will be determined by the Executive Committee prior to each season.
- 6. The number of officials promoted and demoted each year will be determined by the Executive Committee.
- 7. A demoted official may be reinstated to the higher level after having been assigned to the lower level after for one full season. In both circumstances, movement either up or down will be evaluated on a one-year rating.
- 8. All transfer or returning officials (previously resigned or inactive status) shall start out one level below the level last worked and works at that level for a minimum of two years. This period can be reduced to one year, if the member requests a game assessment by the Executive Committee.
- 9. Officials, who voluntarily move down one or two levels, may request to be re-instated to his previous level after one year. After two or more years, the official may only be promoted by meeting the criteria for upward movement.
- 10. Officials requesting a leave of absence due to illness, injury or personal reasons shall retain their status for one year.
- 11. If a member does not meet the qualifications or standards set by Section XI, that member will be moved down a level (Section XI handbook).
- 12. All appeals regarding movement are to be directed to the Executive Committee in writing.

13. The Executive Committee shall consider extenuating circumstances on individual basis and have final approval of all movement.	an