

**U.S. Soccer Federation Referee Program
Referee Certification Requirements
For 2022**



REGIONAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

AGE	18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER
ENROLLMENT	REGISTRATION
PREVIOUS GAME EXPERIENCE	50 GAMES AS A REFEREE AND 25 AS AN ASSISTANT REFEREE AT THE ADULT AMATEUR LEVEL
PREVIOUS CERTIFICATION EXPERIENCE	MINIMUM OF THREE (3) CONSECUTIVE YEARS AS A GRASSROOTS REFEREE
TRAINING	REGIONAL REFEREE COURSE AND ON FIELD EXPERIENCE
SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE	SAFESPORT TRAINED SAFE AND HEALTHY PLAYING ENVIRONMENTS BACKGROUND CHECK
LAWS OF THE GAME TEST	ONLINE – NATIONAL TEST
FITNESS TEST	SPRINT / INTERVAL TESTS (FIFA WOMEN'S REFEREE TEST) MALE – CATEGORY 1 FEMALE – CATEGORY 3
PRACTICAL EVALUATION	MINIMUM OF THREE (3) PASSING EVALUATIONS AS A REFEREE, TWO (2) AT THE ADULT AMATEUR LEVEL, ONE (1) AT THE HIGHEST YOUTH LEVEL (U18 OR U19) (2X45 – MINUTE HALF) EVALUATIONS MUST BE DONE BY THREE (3) DIFFERENT REFEREE COACHES FOR ALL GAMES

REGIONAL RE-CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

ENROLLMENT	REGISTRATION
TRAINING	ONLINE AND ON FIELD EXPERIENCE
SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE	SAFESPORT TRAINED SAFE AND HEALTHY PLAYING ENVIRONMENTS BACKGROUND CHECK
LAWS OF THE GAME UPDATE AND TEST	ONLINE – NATIONAL TEST
FITNESS TEST	SPRINT / INTERVAL TESTS (FIFA WOMEN'S REFEREE TEST) MALE – CATEGORY 1 FEMALE – CATEGORY 3
PRACTICAL EVALUATION	TWO (2) PASSING EVALUATIONS AS A REFEREE, ONE (1) AT THE ADULT AMATEUR LEVEL, ONE (1) AT THE HIGHEST YOUTH LEVEL (U18 OR U19) (2X45 – MINUTE HALF) EVALUATIONS MUST BE DONE BY TWO (2) DIFFERENT REFEREE COACHES FOR ALL GAMES