

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



**NATIONAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

ENROLLMENT	SELECTED BY U.S. SOCCER NATIONAL REFEREE SELECTION COMMITTEE
PREVIOUS GAME EXPERIENCE	100 GAMES AT THE ADULT AMATEUR LEVEL REFEREE (50) AND ASSISTANT REFEREE (50)
PREVIOUS CERTIFICATION EXPERIENCE	MINIMUM OF TWO (2) CONSECUTIVE YEARS AS REGIONAL REFEREE
TRAINING	ATTEND AND SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE NATIONAL CAMP
SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE	SAFESPORT TRAINED SAFE AND HEALTHY PLAYING ENVIRONMENTS NATIONAL BACKGROUND CHECK
LAWS OF THE GAMEUPDATE AND TEST	ONLINE – NATIONAL TEST
FITNESS TEST	FIFA FITNESS TESTS (REFEREE OR AR AND GENDER SPECIFIC) CATEGORY 1
PRACTICAL EVALUATION	MINIMUM OF THREE (3) PASSING NATIONAL EVALUATIONS AS EITHER REFEREE OR AR MUST BE BY THREE DIFFERENT NATIONAL REFEREE COACHES

**NATIONAL RE-CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

ENROLLMENT	SELECTED BY U.S. SOCCER NATIONAL REFEREE SELECTION COMMITTEE
PREVIOUS GAME EXPERIENCE	12 GAMES AS A REFEREE OR 12 GAMES AS AN ASSISTANT REFEREE IN AMATEUR ADULT GAMES OR HIGHER LEVEL (PROFESSIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL)
PREVIOUS CERTIFICATION EXPERIENCE	PREVIOUS YEAR AS A NATIONAL OFFICIAL
TRAINING	ATTEND AND SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE NATIONAL CAMP
SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE	SAFESPORT TRAINED SAFE AND HEALTHY PLAYING ENVIRONMENTS NATIONAL (NCSI) BACKGROUND CHECK
LAWS OF THE GAMEUPDATE AND TEST	ONLINE – NATIONAL TEST
FITNESS TEST	FIFA FITNESS TESTS (REFEREE OR AR AND GENDER SPECIFIC) CATEGORY 1
PRACTICAL EVALUATION	MINIMUM OF THREE (3) PASSING NATIONAL EVALUATIONS AS EITHER REFEREE OR AR MUST BE BY THREE DIFFERENT NATIONAL REFEREE COACHES