



# OHIO SOUTH STATE REFEREE COMMITTEE

## OSSRC Referee Mentor/Coaching Program

Referee Mentor/Coach Qualification and Re-Certification Requirements	Revision	Revised	Page No.	Adopted	Policy No.
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### A. First Time Certification Requirements

#### 1. Referee Mentor

##### a) Minimum Requirements

- 1) Eighteen (18) Years of Age (According to US Soccer)
- 2) Two Years Experience as a US Soccer Referee (According to US Soccer)
- 3) Successfully complete all associated US Soccer Learning Center Referee Mentor online assignments
- 4) Attend in-person OSSRC/US Soccer First Time Referee Mentor Course

##### b) Duties and Roles

- 1) Evaluating Performance of Match Officials
  - (a) Informal Development at local academies/events
  - (b) Development at OSSRC-sponsored academies
  - (c) Formal Maintenance Assessments of Grade RC Officials
  - (d) Formal Upgrade Assessments of Grade 8+ Officials to Grade RC
- 2) Feedback and Development of Match Officials
  - (a) Provide Verbal Feedback to Match Officials at the conclusion of the match.
  - (b) Provide Written Feedback to Academy Administrator
  - (c) Provide copy of Formal Assessment to Match Official, State Director of Referee Development, and OSSRC/US Soccer on their respective websites.
- 3) Leading Field Sessions
  - (a) In-person sessions for First Time Referee On-Field Training clinics
  - (b) In-person sessions at Academies/Clinics
  - (c) Proctor OSSRC fitness tests
- 4) Classroom Education
  - (a) In-person sessions for First Time Referee Training
  - (b) Leading video analysis and engaging discussion, utilizing FIFA Futuro material or other relevant videos.

#### 2. Referee Coach

##### a) Minimum Requirements

- 1) Twenty-one (21) Years of age
- 2) Two Years Experience as a Referee Mentor (According to US Soccer)
- 3) Successfully complete all associated US Soccer Learning Center Referee Coach online assignments
- 4) Attend in-person US Soccer First Time Referee Coach Course

##### b) Duties and Roles

- 1) Evaluating Performance of Match Officials
  - (a) Informal Development at local academies/events
  - (b) Development at OSSRC-sponsored academies
  - (c) Formal Maintenance Assessments of OSSRC Grade RC Officials
  - (d) Formal Upgrade Assessments of OSSRC Grade 8+ Officials to OSSRC Grade RC
  - (e) Formal Maintenance Assessments of Regional Officials

- (f) Formal Upgrade Assessments of OSSRC Grade RC Officials to Regional Grade
- 2) Feedback and Development of Match Officials
  - (a) Provide Verbal Feedback to Match Officials at the conclusion of the match
  - (b) Provide Written Feedback to Academy Administrator
  - (c) Provide copy of Formal Assessment to Match Official, State Director of Referee Development, and OSSRC/US Soccer on their respective websites
- 3) Leading Field Sessions
  - (a) In-person sessions for First Time Referee On-Field Training clinics
  - (b) In-person sessions at Academies/Clinics
  - (c) Proctor OSSRC fitness tests
- 4) Classroom Education
  - (a) In-person sessions for First Time Referee Training
  - (b) In-person sessions for First Time and Recertifying Regional and Emeritus Referees
  - (c) In-person sessions for First Time and Recertifying Referee Mentors and Referee Coaches
  - (d) Leading video analysis and engaging discussion, utilizing FIFA Futuro material or other relevant videos.

## **B. Recertifying Requirements**

- 1. Referee Mentor
  - a) Participate in and complete at least three (3) activities from the following list
    - 1) Mentor an OSSRC Academy
    - 2) Perform a formal on-field evaluation
    - 3) On-field instruction for entry-level clinic
    - 4) On-field instruction at OSSRC Academy or Clinic
    - 5) Classroom instruction for Entry-Level Clinic
    - 6) Proctor OSSRC Fitness Test
  - b) Successfully complete all associated US Soccer Learning Center Referee Mentor online assignments
  - c) Attend in-person OSSRC/USSF Recertifying Referee Mentor Course
- 2. Referee Coach
  - a) Participate in and complete at least seven (7) activities from the following list
    - 1) Mentor an OSSRC Academy
    - 2) Perform five formal on-field assessments
    - 3) On-field instruction for entry-level clinic
    - 4) On-field instruction at OSSRC Academy or Clinic
    - 5) Classroom instruction for OSSRC Clinic
    - 6) Proctor OSSRC Fitness Test
  - b) Successfully complete all associated US Soccer Learning Center Referee Coach online assignments, including
    - 1) Five formal on-field assessments
    - 2) Lead a video analysis session
    - 3) Lead a field session
  - c) Attend in-person OSSRC/USSF Recertifying Referee Coach Course

## **C. Referee Coach Upgrade Requirements**

- 1. Two Years Experience as a USSF Referee Mentor
- 2. Successfully complete all associated US Soccer Learning Center Referee Coach online assignments
- 3. Attend and complete in-person OSSRC/USSF New Referee Coach Course

**D. REVISION RECORD**

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