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2021 License Requirements - Referee Coach Pathway

U.S. Soccer Referee Program



REFEREE COACH PATHWAY

NATIONAL REFEREE COACH

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REFEREE MENTOR

REFEREE MENTOR CERTIFICATION



REFEREE MENTOR – CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	
AGE	18 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER
LICENSING COURSE ENROLLMENT	REFEREE MENTOR LICENSING COURSE REGISTRATION
PREVIOUS CERTIFICATION EXPERIENCE	MINIMUM OF 2 YEARS AS A REFEREE (ANY LICENSE)
COURSE TRAINING	ONLINE COMPONENT (U.S. SOCCER) AND IN-PERSON MEETING (MEMBER ASSOCIATION)
RISK MANAGEMENT	SAFESPORT TRAINING SAFE AND HEALTHY PLAYING ENVIRONMENTS NCSI BACKGROUND CHECK
ONLINE COMPONENT ASSIGNMENTS	LAWS OF THE GAME TEST PROFILE OF THE REFEREE MENTOR QUIZ CONTINUING EDUCATION QUIZ
IN-PERSON MEETING ASSIGNMENTS – 3	ONE (1) LEADING A VIDEO ANALYSIS SESSION ONE (1) LEADING A PRACTICAL EXERCISE ONE (1) OBSERVING THE PERFORMANCE OF MATCH OFFICIALS

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REFEREE MENTOR RE-CERTIFICATION



REFEREE MENTOR – RE-CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	
AGE	18 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER
LICENSING COURSE ENROLLMENT	REFEREE MENTOR LICENSING COURSE REGISTRATION
PREVIOUS CERTIFICATION EXPERIENCE	ACTIVE REFEREE MENTOR LICENSE
COURSE TRAINING	ONLINE COMPONENT REFRESHER (U.S. SOCCER)
RISK MANAGEMENT	SAFESPORT TRAINING SAFE AND HEALTHY PLAYING ENVIRONMENTS NCSI BACKGROUND CHECK
ONLINE REFRESHER ASSIGNMENTS	LAWS OF THE GAME TEST PROFILE OF THE REFEREE MENTOR QUIZ CONTINUING EDUCATION QUIZ
MINIMUM PRACTICAL ASSIGNMENTS – 3	ONE (1) LEADING A VIDEO ANALYSIS SESSION ONE (1) LEADING A PRACTICAL EXERCISE ONE (1) OBSERVING THE PERFORMANCE OF MATCH OFFICIALS

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REFEREE COACH CERTIFICATION



REFEREE COACH – CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	
AGE	18 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER
LICENSING COURSE ENROLLMENT	REFEREE COACH LICENSING COURSE REGISTRATION
PREVIOUS CERTIFICATION EXPERIENCE	MINIMUM OF 3 YEARS AS A REFEREE MENTOR ACTIVE REFEREE MENTOR LICENSE
COURSE TRAINING ASSIGNMENTS – 10 (U.S. SOCCER)	THREE (3) IN THE PRE-MEETING PERIOD THREE (3) IN THE IN-PERSON MEETING FOUR (4) IN THE POST-MEETING PERIOD
RISK MANAGEMENT	SAFESPORT TRAINING SAFE AND HEALTHY PLAYING ENVIRONMENTS NCSI BACKGROUND CHECK
ONLINE COMPONENT ASSIGNMENTS	LAWS OF THE GAME TEST PROFILE OF THE REFEREE COACH QUIZ CONTINUING EDUCATION QUIZ
MINIMUM POST-MEETING ASSIGNMENTS OR PRACTICAL EVALUATIONS – 4	ONE (1) LEADING A VIDEO ANALYSIS SESSION ONE (1) LEADING A PRACTICAL EXERCISE TWO (2) EVALUATING THE PERFORMANCE OF MATCH OFFICIALS INCLUDING: POST-GAME REFLECTION WITH THE REFEREE TEAM & WRITTEN FEEDBACK FOR THE REFEREE TEAM

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REFEREE COACH RE-CERTIFICATION



REFEREE COACH – RE-CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	
AGE	18 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER
LICENSING COURSE ENROLLMENT	REFEREE COACH LICENSING COURSE REGISTRATION
PREVIOUS CERTIFICATION EXPERIENCE	ACTIVE REFEREE COACH LICENSE
COURSE TRAINING	ONLINE REFRESHER (U.S. SOCCER)
RISK MANAGEMENT	SAFESPORT TRAINING SAFE AND HEALTHY PLAYING ENVIRONMENTS NCSI BACKGROUND CHECK
ONLINE REFRESHER ASSIGNMENTS	LAWS OF THE GAME TEST PROFILE OF THE REFEREE COACH QUIZ CONTINUING EDUCATION QUIZ
MINIMUM PRACTICAL ASSIGNMENTS – 7	ONE (1) LEADING A VIDEO ANALYSIS SESSION ONE (1) LEADING A PRACTICAL EXERCISE FIVE (5) EVALUATING THE PERFORMANCE OF MATCH OFFICIALS INCLUDING: POST-GAME REFLECTION WITH THE REFEREE TEAM & WRITTEN FEEDBACK FOR THE REFEREE TEAM



NATIONAL REFEREE COACH CERTIFICATION



NATIONAL REFEREE COACH – CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	
AGE	18 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER
LICENSING COURSE ENROLLMENT	SELECTED BY U.S. SOCCER
PREVIOUS CERTIFICATION EXPERIENCE	MINIMUM ONE (1) YEAR AS A REFEREE COACH ACTIVE REFEREE COACH LICENSE
COURSE TRAINING	U.S. SOCCER NATIONAL CAMP OR IN-PERSON MEETING
RISK MANAGEMENT	SAFESPORT TRAINING SAFE AND HEALTHY PLAYING ENVIRONMENTS NCSI BACKGROUND CHECK
ONLINE ASSIGNMENTS	LAWS OF THE GAME TEST PROFILE OF THE NATIONAL REFEREE COACH QUIZ CONTINUING EDUCATION QUIZ
MINIMUM PRACTICAL ASSIGNMENTS – 7	FIVE (7) EVALUATING THE PERFORMANCE OF MATCH OFFICIALS INCLUDING: POST-GAME REFLECTION WITH THE REFEREE TEAM & WRITTEN FEEDBACK FOR THE REFEREE TEAM
*MINIMUM OPTIONAL PRACTICAL ASSIGNMENTS – 2 *Upcoming 2022 Requirements	ONE (1) LEADING A VIDEO ANALYSIS SESSION ONE (1) LEADING A PRACTICAL EXERCISE

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PREVIOUS CERTIFICATION EXPERIENCE	ACTIVE NATIONAL REFEREE COACH LICENSE
COURSE TRAINING	U.S. SOCCER NATIONAL CAMP OR IN-PERSON MEETING
RISK MANAGEMENT	SAFESPORT TRAINING SAFE AND HEALTHY PLAYING ENVIRONMENTS NCSI BACKGROUND CHECK
ONLINE REFRESHER ASSIGNMENTS	LAWS OF THE GAME TEST PROFILE OF THE NATIONAL REFEREE COACH QUIZ CONTINUING EDUCATION QUIZ
MINIMUM PRACTICAL ASSIGNMENTS – 7	FIVE (7) EVALUATING THE PERFORMANCE OF MATCH OFFICIALS INCLUDING: POST-GAME REFLECTION WITH THE REFEREE TEAM & WRITTEN FEEDBACK FOR THE REFEREE TEAM
*MINIMUM OPTIONAL PRACTICAL ASSIGNMENTS – 2 *Upcoming 2022 Requirements	ONE (1) LEADING A VIDEO ANALYSIS SESSION ONE (1) LEADING A PRACTICAL EXERCISE





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