

Introduction to BSC Referee Program



Bolingbrook Soccer Club is a 501c3 non-profit organization established in 1978. The organization proudly provides a premier youth soccer experience for players in Bolingbrook and surrounding areas.

Bolingbrook Soccer Club administers Recreational and Travel Soccer Programs that support over 900 players. As part of these programs, the BSC requires Center (CR) and Assistant Referees (AR). BSC is supporting the community by providing entry level candidates the opportunity to start working and be trained "on the job" as a referee in our Recreational Program. They have potential to gain experience, get certified, and become a Grassroots Referee for our Travel Soccer Program, if they choose.

RECREATIONAL PROGRAM REFEREES REQUIREMENTS

Requirements to participate on the Recreational program are as follows:

- Minimum age is 12 years old / Preferred age is 13 years old (Parental supervision at games for Referee ages 12-13 as per Dept. of Labor Law)
- Procure Referee Uniform, Flags, Yellow/Red Cards, and Whistle.
- Candidates must Sign up to AssignRefs.com.
- Candidates must Complete all referee registration forms on AssignRefs.com.
- New referees and recreational referees not certified by US Soccer must register and attend one Recreational Referee Training Class.

Being a recreational program referee has many advantages including but not limited to

- Training with experienced refs.
- Opportunity to improve physical stamina.
- Opportunity to learn and practice effective communication.
- Opportunity to learn and practice quick decision making.
- Develop or improve patience.
- Develop attention to detail.
- Get paid for your services.

TRAVEL PROGRAM REFEREES REQUIREMENTS

Requirements for Recreational Program Referees to participate in the BSC Travel Program:

- At least 1 season of experience as Recreational Program Referee Preferred
- Minimum age of thirteen years old (Parental supervision at games for Referee age 13 as per Dept. of Labor Law)
- Must obtain US Soccer certification as Grassroots Referee through the Illinois Soccer Referee Committee. Additional information about Grassroots Referee Certification can be found under Illinois Soccer Referee Committee



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Upcoming USSF certification classes are as follows:

| Recertification Courses | First Time Referee Courses for USSF | | | | | | |
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| U.S. Soccer Coaching | https://www.ilsoccerrefs.org/ | | | | | | |
| All USSF Certs expire 12/31 | Please see website, enter Illinois, all surrounding dates and locations are listed | | | | | | |

TIMELINE FOR REGISTRATION

We are in the process of registering potential candidates for the Recreational Program and newly certified referees for the Travel Program. Timeline for this season is as follows:

Timeline For BSC Rec Referee Program

| • COMMINITION OF THE PROPERTY | • | Community email | google form fo | r signing up for NEW REF class | July 16th, 2025 |
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• Obtain WORK PERMIT for ages 12-15 by class Saturday, August 16th

Complete NEW REF Class, site key shared
 Saturday, August 16th 10AM - 1PM

• Game Pre-Assign Window for **Recreational Refs** Tues. Aug. 26th @ 7:00 PM - Wed. Aug. 27 @ 7:00 AM

• Game Schedule Open for <u>Self-Assignment</u> Wed. August 27th @ 7:00 PM

• FALL 2025 Rec Season Saturday, Sept. 6th - Saturday, Nov. 1st

• Game Schedule Open for Self-Assignment Wed. August 20th @ 7:00 PM

Fall 2025 Travel Season
 Friday, September 5th - Sunday, November 2nd

If you're interested in becoming a **United States Soccer Federation (USSF) certified referee**, please use the website linked above. USSF certification opens the door to **more refereeing opportunities** beyond Recreational Games.

The Bolingbrook Soccer Club (BSC) certification limits referees to Recreational Games only.

We encourage parents to consider their child's **maturity**, **confidence**, **interest**, **and understanding of the game** before registering for USSF certification.

BSC assigns all **Recreational Games** and **Assistant Referees (ARs)** for Travel Games. We use **SNG Assigning** for **Center Referees (CRs)** in the Travel Program.

Once certified through USSF, we can connect you with **Steve Jablow**, our direct contact for ensuring full referee coverage.



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INFORMATION

Bolingbrook Soccer Club uses www.assignr.com to manage:

- Assignment of Center Referee (CR) and Assistant Referees (ARs) for the BSC Recreational Program.
- Assignment of Assistant Referees (ARs) for the BSC Travel Program.

The Assignment of Center Referees (CR) for the BSC Travel Program will continue to be done by the YSSL/IWSL leagues under the direction of SNG Assigning.

*You may contact Steve Jablow @ #630.276.3282 for Travel CR assignments if/when USSF certified.

To allow you to self-assign for CR and AR on BSC games please click on our site link:

SITE LINK/QR CODE WILL BE SHARED AFTER REFEREE TRAINING COURSE!

Referee Ratings

| Age Group | Ages | Field size | CR LEVEL | AR LEVEL | Minimum Age | |
|--|------------------|-----------------|----------|----------|-------------|--|
| Kindergarten & 1st Grade | 6 & 7/8 | 5 v 5 | 1 | 1 | 12 | |
| 2nd & 3rd Grade | 8 & 9/10 | 7 v 7 | 2 | 2 | 12 | |
| 4th & 5th Grade | 10 & 11/12 | 9 v 9 | 3 | 2 | 13 | |
| Middle School (6th, 7th & 8th Grade) | 12,13 & 14/15 | 11 v 11 | 5 | 4 | 14 | |
| High School (9th, 10th, 11th & 12th Grade) | 15,16,17 & 18/19 | 9 v 9 / 11 v 11 | 6 | 6 | 16 | |

Referee Pay

| Age Group | Ages | Field size | Option | CR | Option2 | CR1 | CR2 | Option3 | Center | AR1 | AR2 |
|--|------------------|-----------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Kindergarten & 1st Grade | 6 & 7/8 | 5 v 5 | 1 Ref | \$20.00 | NA |
| 2nd & 3rd Grade | 8 & 9/10 | 7 v 7 | 1 Ref | \$20.00 | NA |
| 4th & 5th Grade | 10 & 11/12 | 9 v 9 | 1 Ref | NA | 2 Refs | \$20.00 | \$20.00 | 3 Refs | \$25.00 | \$15.00 | \$15.00 |
| Middle School (6th, 7th & 8th Grade) | 12,13 & 14/15 | 11 v 11 | 1 Ref | NA | 2 Refs | \$35.00 | \$35.00 | 3 Refs | \$35.00 | \$20.00 | \$20.00 |
| High School (9th, 10th, 11th & 12th Grade) | 15.16.17 & 18/19 | 9 v 9 / 11 v 11 | 1 Ref | \$45.00 | 2 Refs | \$35.00 | \$35.00 | 3 Refs | \$35.00 | \$20.00 | \$20.00 |

This will all make more sense after our classroom session! Thank you for joining us for Bolingbrook
Soccer Club Fall Soccer Season 2025

Betty Kennel, Director of Officials/Assignor/Mentor Coach/USSF Referee

Sebastian Vega, Lead Assignor/USSF Referee