

OUTLINE of NEW CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, BY GRADE, FOR WYOMING
REQUIREMENTS will go into effect_July 1,2014.

LEVEL ONE

GRADE 9 -Recreational (small sided) REFEREE

There are no requirements for Age, Game Experience, Grade Experience, Fitness Test, or Practical Evaluation. Recommend 12 or older.

USSF requires that students complete the on-line course and pass the test and attend a clinic and pass with 80% or better. WY Pre-requisite for clinic will be the completion of the online test (The SDI can download a completion list prior to class beginning).

WY requires a “hands on” mechanics clinic. Procedures to be covered include use of whistle, positioning in games, hand/flag signals, record keeping. Filling out the paperwork, collecting fees and issuing badges will be done once instructors are sure students have at least a basic understanding of game procedures. New badges will only be issued by instructors at clinics.

New referees should have an experienced referee or mentor present for the first game they officiate.

WY doesn't require an annual refresher class or testing, but we suggest that referees complete the online course OR attend a clinic. Certificate of Completion should be mailed to SRA with annual fees for re-registration.

GRADE 8 – Competitive youth REFEREE

There are no requirements for Age, Game Experience, Grade Experience, Fitness Test, or Practical Evaluation. Recommend 12 or older.

USSF requires that students complete the on-line courses (GR9 & GR8) and pass the tests (9 & 8), AND attend classroom setting (clinic) and pass with 80% or better. Students who are already GR9 are only required to do the GR8 portion. Pre-requisite for clinic will be the completion of the online test(s). (The SDI can download a list prior to class beginning).

WY requires a minimum of 2 hours of “hands on” mechanics clinic. Procedures to be covered include use of whistle, positioning in games, hand/flag signals, misconduct, and record keeping. Filling out the paperwork, collecting fees and issuing badges will be done once instructors are sure students have at least a basic understanding of game procedures. New badges will only be issued by instructors at clinics. Within a year after receiving their badges, referees should officiate at least one game with a mentor present. (Mentors are described as any SRA approved experienced referee, preferably an instructor or assessor.)

WY doesn't require an annual refresher class or testing, but we suggest that referees complete the online course OR attend a clinic. Certificate of Competition should be mailed to the SRA with annual fees for re-registration. Referees should officiate at least one mentored game or have one Development & Guidance (D&G) assessment annually, at no cost to the student. Mentors will be provided at all WYS tournaments.

GRADE 7 – Amateur Adult Referee

Minimum Age requirement: 17

Previous Experience: Minimum of 25 games as Referee and a minimum of 25 games as an assistant referee in U16 competitive or higher matches. (~~this~~ these can include WHSAA matches).

Previous Grade experience: Minimum of one year as a Grade 8 referee.

Fitness Test: NONE

Complete the on-line courses (Grade 9, Grade 8 and Grade 7) and pass the tests AND attend classroom setting (clinic) with 80% or better for exams. Students who are already certified referees, are only required to pass those portions required for upgrading. Pre-requisite for clinic will be the completion of the online test(s). (The SDI can download a list prior to class beginning).

Wyoming requires a minimum of 10 hours of training within 12 months of the upgrade. This can include online (a maximum of 3 hours), clinics, workshops, field training and active mentoring.

Referees wishing to upgrade to 7, must officiate at least two games as a center referee on games of U16 and above, with a mentor's endorsement. (Mentors are described as any SYRA approved experienced referee, preferably an instructor or assessor.)

WY doesn't require an annual refresher course, but referees must complete the online course OR attend a refresher clinic. An annual D & G mentoring assessment is also suggested, at no cost to the student. Assessors will be provided at all WYS tournaments.