



“WANNA REF?” – HOW DO I GET STARTED?

AN OVERVIEW OF USAWP REFEREE CERTIFICATION GUIDELINES (7.2014)

Brand New Referees:

1. Register with USA Water Polo as a “Referee” or “Referee/Coach” Member for the current calendar year and with the USA Water Referee Association (www.arbitersports.com). Registration with USAWPR is FREE and is mandatory for consideration to USA Water Polo Sanctioned Event Assignments. Contact your Zone Head Referee, (ZHR), for assistance.

2. Register for and pass the “BASIC CERTIFICATION TUTORIAL” Course at www.usawaterpolo.org, (“Membership Tab/Click on “Referee Association”), along with the associated test. Make sure to also review the additional rule interpretations and other instructional material prior to taking the test.

3. Contact your Zone Head Referee to complete the required practical component and/or observation. Contact info can be found at usawaterpolo.org with all of the other Referee Information.

4. Once you complete your “on deck” observation you are certified as a “Rookie-Level 1” Referee and subject to the assignment criteria and limits set forth by your Zone.

5. To achieve “Full Level 1 Certification” please consult your Zone Head Referee for practical criteria.

Returning Referees:

1. Register with USA Water Polo as a “Referee” or “Referee/Coach” Member for the current calendar year.

2. Register for and pass the “BASIC CERTIFICATION TUTORIAL” class, along with the associated rules test at www.usawaterpolo.org.

OR

Attend and successfully complete a USAWPR Referee School and any testing required. These schools will be offered in conjunction with USAWP and ODP events throughout the country. A schedule of USAWPR Referee Schools will be posted on the usawaterpolo.org website.

3. Contact your Zone Head Referee to complete the required “practical” portion of your re-certification and advancement requirements. Complete Level Certification Criteria is posted on the usawaterpolo.org website.



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