How to Become a Referee in North Texas

The North Texas Referee Program serves the game in over 100 local associations from Lubbock to Lake Highland, Amarillo to Arlington, Cedar Hill to Corsicana – chances are YOU live close to a soccer association.

Typically, new referees work for *their* local association.

US Soccer Referee Course

The Referee Course is specific to the recreational and competitive youth game. This is an entry-level course for new referees. This course consists of online modules in the <u>US Soccer Learning Center</u> that must be completed by the candidate prior to the in-person or online video classroom and field session. (Due to COVID-19, temporary class hours and formats have been modified.)

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- Requirement you must be 13 or older.
- There is two-part process that must be completed to become a licensed USSF Referee.
- Sign up for a Referee online course. You will pay the fee when you sign up.

Part 1 - Sign up for the Referee Online Lessons via OMS

There are 6 modules in the online portion. All 6 modules must be completed in full. The online lessons take approximately 6-7 hours to complete.

Part 2 – Select an in-person clinic to attend

- Once you complete the entire online lessons, you'll be able to select an in-person clinic to go to on OMS. You will see the words ONLINE LESSONS COMPLETED highlighted in green to know that you can select the in-person clinic you wish to attend.
- The in-person clinic is 3.5 hours. This is the field session done outdoors.
- Lots of important information is given to all attendees who you will work for, how to get games, where to get uniforms, etc.
- You must complete both parts in order to become a referee.

To Register

- 1. Click here OMS
- 2. Click on Find Clinic
- 3. In the drop down menu
 - a. Select Entry Never been a USSF Referee before
 - b. Select Referee Online Lessons
 - c. Register/Pay
 - d. Start/finish the online lessons
- 4. Once you complete the online lessons you will see the words PICK A CLINIC This is the inperson portion of the clinic.

This information along with additional FAQs can be found on the North Texas Soccer website.