



“WANNA REF?” – HOW DO I GET STARTED?

AN OVERVIEW OF USAWP REFEREE CERTIFICATION GUIDELINES (06.2012)

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 (USAWPR.org). Registration with USAWPR is FREE and is mandatory for consideration to USA Water Polo Sanctioned Event Assignments.
2. Register for and pass the “ROOKIE TUTORIAL” Course at USAWPR.org along with the associated test. (You will have access to the “ROOKIE TUTORIAL” class and test once you register with USAWPR.)
3. Contact your Zone ODP Head Referee, (contact information listed on the USAWATERPOLO.ORG and the USAWPR.ORG websites) to complete the required “on-deck” observation and training.
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 “Recertification/Review” class, along with the associated test at USAWPR.ORG.

OR

Attend and successfully complete a USAWPR Referee School. 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 USWPRA.ORG website.

3. Contact your Zone ODP Head Referee to complete the required “practical” portion of your certification and advancement requirements. Certification criteria are posted on the USAWATERPOLO.ORG and the USAWPR.ORG websites.