



FIRST-TIME NATIONAL REFEREE/ASSISTANT REFEREE 2025 ELIGIBILITY & REQUIREMENTS

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AGE	21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER
ENROLLMENT	APPLICATION REQUIRED SELECTED BY U.S. SOCCER NATIONAL SELECTION COMMITTEE
PREVIOUS CERTIFICATION EXPERIENCE	MUST HAVE HELD A REGIONAL REFEREE LICENSE FOR EACH OF THE TWO (2) PREVIOUS REGISTRATION YEARS
PREVIOUS GAME EXPERIENCE	65 GAMES AT THE ADULT AMATURE LEVEL: 40 GAMES AS A REFEREE 25 GAMES AS AN ASSISTANT REFEREE
SAFETY & COMPLIANCE	BACKGROUND SCREENING SAFESPORT TRAINED SAFE AND HEALTHY PLAYING ENVIRONMENTS
TRAINING (online and/or in-person)	NATIONAL MATCH OFFICIAL ONLINE TRAINING LAWS OF THE GAME UPDATE ATTEND AND SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE IN-PERSON NATIONAL CAMP
FITNESS TEST	FIFA FITNESS TEST (REFEREE or ASSISTANT REFEREE and GENDER SPECIFIC) CATEGORY 1
PRACTICAL ASSIGNMENTS	MINIMUM OF THREE (3) PASSING NATIONAL EVALUATIONS AS EITHER REFEREE OR ASSISTANT REFEREE EVALUATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY THREE (3) DIFFERENT NATIONAL REFEREE COACHES WITHIN THE PREVIOUS REGISTRATION YEAR (2024 REGISTRATION YEAR: JULY 1, 2023-JUNE 30, 2024)

