



2021 GSSA REFEREE TRAINING CLASSES

WHEN: Monday & Tuesday, March 1-2, 6:30 - 8:30 PM; exam due by Friday, March 5

WHERE: Virtual classroom (Zoom or similar service)

Age Levels of SAY soccer:

- A. **Instructional** (Under 6): 4 v. 4, no score is kept; focus on learning rules, skill development; no goalies
- B. **Passers** (U8): 7 v. 7, first experience with keeping score & playing positions; no offsides called
- C. **Wings** (U10): 7 v. 7, offsides is called; larger field & larger goals than Passers level
- D. **Upper Levels** (U12 Strikers - U18 Seniors): although 80% of this training is focused on the lower age groups (U6, U8 & U10), some course material will focus on the Upper Levels. Through working the lower levels, referees gain the experience necessary to ref upper level games.

Games are played primarily at Weller Park (U6 & U8) and Symmes Elementary (U10). Upper level games are played at Symmes Elementary, Pioneer Park and Blue Ash Sports Complex ("Grooms")

Course registration: send an email to gssa.ref.coordinator@gmail.com with the following information:

- Your first and last name
- Parent/guardian's full name and relation to you (especially if different last name)
- Preferred email addresses: if you and your parent both want to receive schedule and ref assignment emails provide both email addresses
- Emergency contact name & mobile phone number (a person to call if you are injured/ill)
- You will also need to register as a referee through the GSSA website; we will cover GSSA registration during the classes; no need to worry about it right now

Deadline: Monday, February 22; we should be able to accommodate all students who want to participate but if it turns out we have limits on the virtual classroom, registration will be first come, first served

Eligibility: at least 12 years old by April 1, 2021 (if you turn 12 by September 15, you may take the class and begin to ref in the fall season). The class is open to residents of other communities in the surrounding area, many of which open their summer referee training courses to Sycamore residents.

Cost: \$20.00; Zelle or PayPal preferred; payment by check also accepted. Send an email to gssa.ref.coordinator@gmail.com for username information to direct a Zelle or PayPal payment to the instructor

Pre-work: an [electronic version](#) of the current rulebook is available through a link on the GSSA website: <https://www.gssasoccer.com/Default.aspx?tabid=342849>. You should also have Kahoot on your computer or mobile device on the first night of classes.

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