



Regional Director of Referee Instruction

Purpose

The AYSO volunteer position of regional director of referee instruction is intended to implement, monitor, and maintain the AYSO Referee Training Program component at the regional level of the Assistant Referee, Referee, and Basic Referee training courses.

Specific Duties and Responsibilities

The regional director of referee instruction is expected to:

1. Support the AYSO National Referee Program in both specifics and spirit;
2. Ensure all training within the region is in compliance with the AYSO National Referee Program curriculum and procedures;
3. Arrange for annual updates, clinics, courses, and the continuing education of regional volunteer referees at all levels;
4. Recruit and arrange for the certification of additional qualified instructors and instructor evaluators;
5. Work with the area and section directors of referee instruction to meet the ongoing training needs of the local referees;
6. Facilitate the activities of the referee instructors and referee instructor evaluators within the region;
7. Provide feedback to area, section, and national staff regarding curriculum, course content, and materials for referee instruction;
8. Communicate with all referees and referee instructors in the region on matters pertaining to changes and interpretations of the FIFA Laws of the Game and the AYSO Rules and Regulations; and
9. Serve as an official spokesperson for interpretation of the FIFA Laws at all regional sponsored events. (Confirm, as necessary, with the area/section directors of referee instruction or the AYSO FIFA Law Interpreter).

Qualifications and Desired Skills

To be considered for the position of regional director of referee instruction, the applicant must:

1. Successfully pass a screening, including a background check;
2. Annually submit a Volunteer Application Form and be approved as a volunteer in an AYSO region;
3. Be an AYSO referee instructor or higher;
4. Be an AYSO referee instructor evaluator;
5. Be familiar with the current curriculum and instructional components of the AYSO National Referee Program;
6. Demonstrate an unswerving commitment to the AYSO philosophy;
7. Have good organizational skills;
8. Have the ability to work with a large group of volunteers;
9. Have practical knowledge of the FIFA Laws of the Game, the AYSO Rules and Regulations; and
10. Be committed to the AYSO philosophy.

Supervision Protocols

While performing as the regional director of referee instruction, the volunteer is:

1. Subject to the bylaws, rules, regulations, policies, procedures, and guidelines of AYSO;
2. Under the overall authority of and directly supervised by the regional referee administrator, and supervised indirectly by area director of referee instruction; and
3. To maintain the recommended adult to child supervision ratio of 1:8 or less; that is one adult for every eight or fewer children and two adults (one of whom may be the coach and one of whom should be of the same gender as the group) present at all times. For the protection of both the children and the volunteer, no volunteer should permit himself or herself to be alone with any child or group of children (except his or her own) during AYSO-sponsored activities.

Time Commitment

The anticipated time commitment for a regional director of referee instruction is a full year. The estimated hours to fulfill duties by month shall be filled in by the regional referee administrator:

Jan:	hrs.	Feb:	hrs.	Mar:	hrs.	Apr:	hrs.	May:	hrs.	Jun:	hrs.
Jul:	hrs.	Aug:	hrs.	Sep:	hrs.	Oct:	hrs.	Nov:	hrs.	Dec:	hrs.

Orientation, Training, Certification, and Continued Education Provided

To prepare a volunteer for the position of regional director of referee instruction, AYSO will offer the following referee educational opportunities that regional directors of referee instruction are expected to take advantage of and participate in, as appropriate.

1. Orientation by the regional referee administrator;
2. Referee Instructor Update;
3. Referee Instructor Evaluator Update ; and
4. Various referee track workshops at the annual Section Conferences.

Activity Locations

While performing the duties of regional director of referee instruction, the volunteer is limited to the following locations, unless expressly authorized in writing by the regional commissioner to hold activities in another location.

1. Regional board meetings;
2. Area meetings;
3. The annual Section Conferences;
4. Assigned field locations;
5. Assigned classroom locations; and
6. Independent work at home alone, in committees of adults, or in a properly supervised situation with children.