

Section 11

Referee Assessment Process

Upgrade Certification Procedure

Upgrade to Advanced Referee Certification

1. Candidate is referred by the Regional Referee staff to the Area Director of Referee Assessment (ADA) or Area Referee Administrator (ARA).
2. Candidate identifies U14 matches during which he/she would like to be assessed.
3. Candidate secures his/her assignment to officiate one or more of the selected matches from the appropriate match assigner.
4. Candidate communicates match selection information to ADA. A minimum of two weeks notice is desired to improve the probability of success in finding a suitable assessor.
5. ADA seeks and assigns an assessor for the candidate for one of the selected matches.
6. ADA communicates assessment information to candidate and Regional Referee staff.
7. Candidate has the responsibility to verify the match will take place as scheduled and communicate with the assessor prior to the match. The candidate / assessor communication is important to ascertain they have at least spoken to each other before meeting on the field prior to the assessment and to make sure the assessor knows the location of the field and any other pertinent information regarding the field site.
8. Assessor performs assessment and either recommends the candidate for upgrade or further observation on another U14 match.
9. Repeat steps 2 through 8 until the candidate has obtained upgrade recommendation as both Referee and Assistant Referee on a U14 match. Each upgrade recommendation should be made by a different assessor.
10. Candidate secures all necessary signatures on the upgrade certification form. Final authorizing signature must be from either the ADA or ARA.
11. Candidate sends a copy of completed upgrade certification form to NSTC and provides a copy to the ADA. Candidate retains the original completed upgrade certification form.
12. Candidate receives new Advanced Referee badge from NSTC.

Upgrade to National Referee Certification

1. Area Referee Administrator (ARA) or Area Director of Referee Assessment (ADA) identifies a candidate to the Section Director of Referee Assessment (SDA)..
2. Candidate selects U19 matches during which he/she would like to be assessed. Special dispensation from the SDA is required to use U16 matches for National Referee upgrade assessments.
3. Candidate secures his/her assignment to officiate one or more of the selected matches from the appropriate match assigner.
4. Candidate communicates match selection information to SDA. A minimum of two weeks notice is desired to improve the probability of success in finding a suitable assessor.
5. SDA seeks and assigns a National Assessor for the candidate for one of the selected matches.
6. SDA communicates assessment information to candidate and ADA.
7. Candidate has the responsibility to verify the match will take place as scheduled and communicate with the assessor prior to the match. The candidate / assessor communication is important to ascertain they have at least spoken to each other before meeting on the field prior to the assessment and to make sure the assessor knows the location of the field and any other pertinent information regarding the field site.
8. Assessor performs assessment and either recommends the candidate for upgrade or further observation on another U19 match.
9. Repeat steps 2 through 8 until the candidate has obtained upgrade recommendation twice as Referee and once as Assistant Referee on a U19 match. Each upgrade recommendation must be made by a different assessor.
10. Candidate secures all necessary signatures on the upgrade certification form. Final authorizing signature must be from either the SDA or Section Referee Administrator.
11. Candidate sends a copy of completed upgrade certification form to NSTC and provides a copy to the SDA. Candidate retains the original completed upgrade certification form.
12. Candidate receives new National Referee badge from NSTC