

REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME A REFEREE

MIAMI VALLEY EAST SOCCER BETHEL - GRAHAM - MIAMI EAST - NORTHWESTERN - TIPP CITY

1. Must turn 14 years of age by Dec 31 of the year you start refereeing.
2. Complete the *MVE League Referee Application* at www.tippsoccer.org
3. Register for the TCYS Introductory Clinic on the Laws of the Game with the Director of Officiating
4. Complete the *Concussion Training* at www.nfhslearn.com and submit your certificate to the Referee Coordinator.
5. Complete the *SafeSport Training* at www.uscenterforsafesport.org.
(only if you are 18 years and older)
6. Attend the Introductory Clinic (classroom and outdoor sessions – total of 8 hrs, usually held the 1st or 2nd Sat/Sun in August)
7. Acquire a score of at least '70' on the *Referee test* (take-home, open book)
8. Observe a game during the first week of the season
9. Agree to abide by the *Code of Ethics for Referees*
10. Provide your own watch that counts up or down and dark shorts; Your District may provide you with a shirt for your first year; TCYS provides a shirt and a whistle to its first-year referees.
11. Learn to access the game selection website and select your own matches based upon your availability.
12. Fulfill all assignments confirmed by the Director of Officiating; notify the Director of conflicts or emergencies as soon as they are known.
13. Build and maintain your knowledge of soccer by studying the LOTG and visiting the various websites mentioned to help you develop a deeper understanding of the laws and how to apply them effectively.
14. Attend the 2-hour Refresher Clinic in August each year.