



Grade 7A – Amateur Adult Referee

The purpose of the Grade 7A Referee Course is to prepare officials for the amateur adult game. Based on the level of training provided, U.S. Soccer recommends that these officials be assigned accordingly to best service the game.

Iowa Certification Requirements	
Age	Recommended Minimum 18 Years of Age
Previous Game Experience	Determined by the State Referee Association
Previous Grade Experience	Minimum of 2 Years as Grade 8
Training	Pass the Grade 7 Referee Course
Laws of the Game Test	Pass the Grade 7 Referee Test
Fitness Test	Fitness Testing as Determined by the SDI
Practical Evaluation	1 Assessment on Boys Match of 40 Minute Halves
Annual Recertification Requirements	
Training	Attend the Terry Vaughn Referee Academy
Laws of the Game Test	Pass the Grade 7 Referee Test
Fitness Test	Fitness Testing as Determined by the SDI
Practical Evaluation	1 Assessment on Boys Match of 40 Minute Halves

Notes

- All State Referee Association requirements must be made public
- All training requirements can be completed online and/or in the classroom setting as determined by the State Referee Association and there are no minimum number of hours associated with either requirement
 - At a minimum, U.S. Soccer recommends that training includes the completion of all online training materials for the Grade 7 Referee Course
- The passing test score is 80% and all testing requirements can be completed online and/or in the classroom setting as determined by the State Referee Association



Grade 6 – State Referee

The purpose of the Grade 6 State Referee Course is to prepare officials for the most competitive matches within their state and region. Based on the level of training provided, U.S. Soccer recommends that these officials be assigned accordingly to best service the game.

Certification Requirements	
Age	Minimum 18 Years of Age
Previous Game Experience	50 Games as a Referee / 25 Games as an Assistant Referee
Previous Grade Experience	Minimum of 1 Year as a Grade 7 Referee
Training	Complete the Grade 6 State Referee Course
Laws of the Game Test	Pass the Grade 6 State Referee Test
Fitness Test	Pass the Grade 6 Sprint and Interval Tests
Practical Evaluation	3 Assessments (Min.) - 2 Adult Mens, 1 U-19 Boys
Annual Recertification Requirements	
Training	Attend the TVRA Advanced Clinic
Laws of the Game Test	Pass the Grade 6 State Referee Test
Fitness Test	Pass the Grade 6 Sprint and Interval Tests
Practical Evaluation	Minimum of 2 Passing Assessments

Notes

- All State Referee Association requirements must be made public
- All training requirements can be completed online and/or in the classroom setting as determined by the State Referee Association and there are no minimum number of hours associated with either requirement
- The passing test score is 80% and all testing requirements can be completed online and/or in the classroom setting as determined by the State Referee Association
- Minimum of 3 passing assessments from affiliated games with a minimum of 40 minute halves completed by 3 different State Assessors from the calendar year
 - State Referee Associations may establish additional assessment requirements