

USSF to AYSO Referee Cross-certification Procedure

Basic Referee training with USSF, Grade 8, which is a 2 day course will cross-certify to the Regional badge.

The following instructions are provided to you for guidance to complete the cross-certification process.

- 1) The USSF State Referee Administrator needs to sign off in the box for USSF Referee Requirement. That will be Penny Rehm who is the Registrar with the Cal South State Referee Committee. You can find her mailing address at http://www.californiareferee.org/index_files/Page436.htm or you can email her at penny@peprgraphics.com where perhaps she'll accept a fax and return fax it to you. She's verifying the Referees are trained and currently registered. She is to return the form back to the Referee requesting cross-certification and NOT send it to AYSO.
- 2) A Volunteer Application form needs to be completed for AYSO for the USSF Referee requesting cross-certification. This can be done on-line at eAYSO at <http://www.eayso.com/>. Youth volunteers have a different form than adult volunteers. A youth volunteer may be added through an adult's login by clicking on "Add a Youth Volunteer," in the "My eAYSO" page. The Volunteer Form then needs to be signed in ink and sent in to the Region's Child Volunteer Protection Advocate. The Region needs to accept the Volunteer (not everyone who applies is accepted based on information provided).
- 3) The Regional Commissioner then needs to sign off on the cross-certification form after item 2) is done whereby the Region then sends the form into AYSO National so the Referee can then be entered into the National database as a Regional Referee (or whatever the appropriate badge is). It seems appropriate that the USSF Cross-certification Referee applicant send the completed form to the Regional Commissioner so this step can be completed.
- 4) The USSF Cross-certification Referee applicant must attend an AYSO Referee Safe Haven class.
- 5) Referees cross-certifying into an Intermediate or higher badge should contact AYSO National to obtain their badge. Until receiving the appropriate badge they may wear a Regional badge.

Please note USSF cross-certifying Referees may begin refereeing once the Region accepts them as a Volunteer which they can do locally on-line with eAYSO.