

Recertification for 2021

2020 Recertification Incomplete - Recertification for 2021

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3	2021 Law Changes - USSF	00:45:00	-	-	
4	2021 Grassroots Referee Recert Quiz	01:00:00	-	-	
5	2021 LC Intro to Safety	00:15:00	-	-	
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REMAINING LESSONS. Complete the remaining online lessons by selecting “Start” beside each lesson, in order.

Everyone must complete Lessons 2 – 5.

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2020 Certified (2020 recertification complete and approved) - Recertification for 2021

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You have annual training to complete for the 2021 referee year. Your fee for 2021 is only \$10. Your registration and certification have been extended through 2021. However, you still have required annual training to complete.

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Select "Member Sign In." Enter your username and password.

REMEMBER YOU ARE NOT GOING TO REGISTER AND SELECT RECERTIFICATION CLINIC. You are going to complete Annual Training.

On your Member Home Page, under "I want to:," select "Register for Clinic." Under Soccer Official Type, select "Referee."

IMPORTANT. Under "Registration Type" select "Supplemental Training." *If you select Recertification, your fee will be \$40 and you will have different lessons.*

ONLINE LESSONS. There are five lessons to your Annual Training.

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1	2021 Grassroots Refresher - USSF	00:45:00
2	2021 Law Changes - USSF	00:45:00
3	2021 Grassroots Referee Recert Quiz	01:00:00
4	2021 LC Intro to Safety	00:15:00
5	2021 LC SafeSport	00:15:00

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Everyone must complete Lessons 1 – 4.

Lesson 5, SafeSport Training, is required for referees 18 years or older. Lesson 5 will show complete for referees who are not 18.

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Lapsed Recertification (no certification in 2020) – Recertification for 2021

READ ALL OF THE DIRECTIONS BELOW

You are a lapsed referee if you did not register and certify as a referee for 2020, and for 1 – 3 years. If you were certified as a referee in 2018 or 2019, you can complete referee recertification, following this direction. The registration and clinic fee is \$80.

If 2017 or earlier was the last time you were certified as a referee, you must register for and complete the Referee Entry level requirements. You cannot complete a recertification clinic.

All of the requirements for your recertification are online.

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Select “New Member Registration.” Enter your member information and password. Your e-mail address must be your own. Every referee must have a different e-mail for identification.

Follow the directions and select the Referee Grassroots Recertification clinic.

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Completing New Referee Instruction and Certification from 2020 – Entry Certification for 2021

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When you complete your online lessons, transfer to a clinic with the field training session. Click on the TRANSFER option to the right of your reserved clinic to select an available Entry clinic with a field training session.

No matter what online lessons you have previously completed, you will have some online lessons to complete. We are in a new referee registration and instruction year, starting on 1 July. Each year has required annual instruction, for example, safety training and the annual referee test. No matter what was completed in a prior year, the annual requirements for this year must be completed. Three lessons were added, due to modifications to the field training to comply with COVID-19 health safety protocols.

Your requirements for your new referee certification are a combination of online lessons and an in-person field training session.

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4	Ceremonial Restarts	00:04:04	-	-		Click here to Take/Retake Lesson

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FIELD TRAINING SESSION

When you complete the online lessons, transfer from the temporary clinic reservation to a convenient Entry Grassroots Referee clinic with the field training session. These clinics are added to the available clinics on a regular basis, as venues can be reserved. **Click on the TRANSFER option to the right of your reserved clinic** to select an available Entry clinic with a field training session.

You need to **bring your own whistle and referee flag to the field session**. We cannot share referee equipment during the pandemic.

Dress for the weather and for mild activity on the field. You will be outside on the field for 4 hours.

You should receive your referee badge at the end of the field training session.

REFEREE EQUIPMENT

You can search the internet for soccer referee uniform or equipment. You should find many alternative brands and vendors. You can also procure your referee kit at a soccer store. Generally, retail stores are more expensive. Official Sports is the brand that sponsors and is affiliated with US Soccer. However, any brand should be acceptable. Be careful to procure the current referee shirt and socks styles. You will see the referee uniform during the Grassroots Referee Course and should be a resource at the US Soccer Learning Center.

We recommend that you procure a referee uniform/equipment kit, which includes referee shirt (yellow is primary color), referee shorts, referee socks, referee flags, whistle, yellow and red cards, etc. The kit will provide the best value and all of your referee equipment.

When you complete the online lessons and the field training session, we can approve your 2021 referee certification.

Becoming a New Referee – Entry Certification for 2021

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You are becoming a referee for the first time. Your requirements for your new referee certification are a combination of online lessons and an in-person field training session. The registration and clinic fee is \$80.

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NEW REFEREE CERTIFICATION FOR REFEREES WHO HAVE NOT RECERTIFIED SINCE 2017 – ENTRY CERTIFICATION FOR 2021

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After your referee certification lapses for more than 3 years, you must recertify by completing a Grassroots Referee Entry Clinic. Your requirements for your referee certification are a combination of online lessons and an in-person field training session. The registration and clinic fee is \$80.

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