

District 5
Referee Course Information

Title	Eligibility	Hours	Content	Comments
R9/Recreational Referee Course	Age 12	8 – one day or 9 - two day	Laws of the Game or LOTG Made Easy, 3 hour field session	R9 Referees can officiate only recreational games under age 14. 75% or better on R9 examination
R8/Entry Level Referee Course	Age 12 Also for referees whose licensure lapsed more than 4 years ago	18 hours spread over a minimum of 5 sessions (barring special arrangements with DDI)	LOTG	75% on Referee Examination
R - Refresher	Referee currently licensed or lapsed no more than 2 years	5 hours	Annual updates to the LOTG, USSF Points of Emphasis	Annual renewal requirement for all referees. 75% on Referee Examination (85% if R7)
Bridge	1 - R9 referees upgrading to R8 2 - R8 referees whose licensure lapsed 3-4 years ago	1- 8 hours 2- 5 hours	1- R9 Bridge specific 2- Laws 11, 12 and updates to the LOTG	75% on Referee Examination
Upgrade	R8 and higher referees hoping to upgrade. Minimum age 17 to upgrade but attendance at upgrade clinic allowed on DDI approval	R8 to R7 5 hours Intermediate Training R7 to R6 19 hours State Training R6 to R5 7 hours State Training	Matters specifically pertaining to officiating adult games, USSF Points of Emphasis, USSF Position Papers	Serves as annual renewal requirement for R7 and above referees. 85% on Referee Examination (State Referee exam R6 and R5)