

New and Recertifying Provisional Referee Requirements

This is the minimum certification level for those individuals that wish to pursue refereeing as a paid venture. It is also the minimum certification level for club referee representatives.

To become a new Official or recertify as a Provisional Official, the following requirements need to be met:

1. Be a Current KRVA and USA Volleyball member in good standing.

- Register on Webpoint: <https://webpoint.usavolleyball.org/wp15/IntraLock/Login.asp>
- Memberships acceptable for officials are: Officials, Adults with Juniors, or Junior player (if under 18).
- Pass the USAV background screening (adults only)

Registration for each new season opens September 1 of the current year and is open until the middle of the following summer.

2. Be 16 or older as of September 1 of the current season.

3. Read and Study the current Domestic Competition Regulations (DCR).

- Available for download from https://volleyballreftraining.com/rules_interpretations_indoor.php
- Hard copies are available at a rating events or through the KRVA office

4. Complete Officials Training and Test through the USAV Academy. The current tests are available **October 15th** of the current season. All courses are free to current members.

- For new officials, the course will be titled "KRVA New Referee Training".
- For previously certified provisional officials, the training will be titled "KRVA Recertifying Provisional Referee".
- Must pass test with an 84% the first time, or candidate will be required to retake the test
- Once an 84% or higher is achieved, the official will have access to questions answered incorrectly and should review the correct answer to better understand it for the future.
- **Do not** take the training prior to October 15 or the course and the certification will be obsolete for the season. You will need to retake the correct test when it is released on Webpoint.

For specific instructions on how to sign up for the USAV Academy courses through Webpoint, please follow the tutorial on the KRVA Referee page entitled "How to Sign Up for Online Officials Clinics and Tests".

5. Complete all required clearances/certifications for officiating that include the following:

- **Safesport Training** – Webpoint account will be updated automatically within a day or so once completed and passed. Must be completed every two years.
<http://training.teamusa.org/store/details/1>
- **Concussion Awareness Certification** – Send completion certificate to krvadocuments@gmail.com.
<https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61064/concussion-in-sports>
- **PA 153 Clearances** – Once all three are received, send a copy to krvadocuments@gmail.com. This is a Pennsylvania State Law and must be completed to be in compliance with the region. Find all the links needed here: http://krva.org/officals_referees.php

Check the KRVA website for more information regarding these requirements. The requirements are valid for 5 years after the issue date, but must not expire in the middle of the season.

6. Attend a region rating event or any event approved by KRVA and obtain passing ratings on 4 matches, two as R1 and two as R2, by at least two different 2nd year Regional or higher level officials unless otherwise directed.

- Check the website or contact the KRVA office for more information on how to schedule a rating.
- If a new official does not pass with satisfactory performance, the rater may suggest attendance of another rating event for the new official to attend before being assigned to ensure the candidate is ready for competition.

*****Provisional Officials must be rated every year in order to be recertified.*****

7. Once all of the above requirements are completed and ratings have been passed, sign up for an officials account with Arbiter Sports in order to be assigned to tournaments.

<https://www1.arbitersports.com/shared/signin/signin.aspx>

- Block off dates unavailable as soon and accurately as possible
- Accept / Decline assignments as soon as possible
- Please contact krvaoffice@krva.org with any issues upon sign up. Be sure to use the same email address that is listed on Webpoint.

8. **Additional Requirement for Recertifying Provisional Officials:** Complete the online Scorer Training and Test through the USAV Academy and obtain a passing rating of 1 match as a scorekeeper (minimum of 2 sets) during a rating event.

- For provisional scorekeepers, the course will be titled “KRVA Provisional Scorer” with either “(new)” or “(recertifying)” behind the title. Choose accordingly.
- Must pass test with an 80% the first time, or candidate will be required to retake the test
- Once an 80% or higher is achieved, the official will have access to questions answered incorrectly and should review the correct answer to better understand the rules and interpretations.
- **Must work two KRVA sanctioned events as an official.**
- **Do not** take the training prior to October 15 or the course and the certification will be obsolete for the season. You will need to retake the correct test when it is released on Webpoint.

For specific instructions on how to sign up for the USAV Academy courses through Webpoint, please follow the tutorial on the KRVA Referee page entitled “How to Sign Up for Online Officials Clinics and Tests”.

For any official, new or recertifying, KRVA can request additional requirements that must be completed as directed.

For more information on registration, becoming an official, or other announcements, please visit the KRVA officials page at http://krva.org/officals_referees.php.