2016 AYSO Referee Training in Palos Verdes at Peninsula High School

PV PENINSULA High, 27118 Silver Spur Rd., RHE, Panther Hall Room 207

U6/7/8 - 3 hours in class	Roster #	U9/10 – Choice of formats:	
Sunday Sept 11 th 9am	201601334	Wed. Sept 7 th 6pm-9:30pm	¹ / ₂ online, ¹ / ₂ in class Roster: 201601337
Tuesday Sept 13 th 6pm	201601335	Sun. Sept 11 th 9am-4:30pm	All in class. Roster: 201601338
Monday Sept 19 th 6pm	201601336	Wed. Sept 14 th 6pm-9:30pm	¹ / ₂ online, ¹ / ₂ in class Roster: 201013396

<u>Please read carefully</u>! If your child is playing in U6, U7 or U8, the course is 3 hours, all in class. For U9 or U10 (and older), the course is offered on Sunday Sept. 11th, all in class for 7 ½ hours **OR** you can take the online course **AND** attend one of the other 3 ½ hour sessions on the 7th or 14th. All sessions will be at PV PENINSULA High, Panther Hall Room 207.

PRIOR TO ATTENDING

✓ Pre-register for one course on eAYSO (www.eAYSO.org) at least 24 hours in advance.

 \checkmark If attending on the 7th or 14th complete the Basic Referee Online Training Course (www.aysotraining.org), and BRING your Certificate of Completion to the class. Even if you hold a U8 badge, you must take the entire 100-minute online course. The online course allows you to learn the laws of the game at your own pace, and then the in-class session allows you to confirm your understanding of the laws, ask questions and then take a closed book exam at the end of the session.

- 1. Log in using the email that you used to sign up your child. Yes, there is an "e" in front of AYSO in the address above.
- 2. Apply as a New or Returning Volunteer (Adult or Child you must apply every year). Electronically sign and submit the form.
- 3. To register for the course: on the Home page, place your cursor over the "My eAYSO" drop down box and select the Course Signup menu, enter the Roster # noted above in the Roster box, then click on the Search button. Click on the Radio button for that course, and then click on Course Signup on the bottom of the page.
- 4. If you have trouble registering, please call the eAYSO Help Desk at 1-866-588-2976. They can walk you through any technical issues.
- 5. If attending the 7th or 14th, go to www.aysotraining.org, using your AYSO ID#, take the 100-minute Basic Referee Online Training (Course R002) and print out your Certificate of Completion (or take a picture of this on your phone).
- 6. If never completed before, also take the 60-minute on-line Safe Haven course for referees (Course MT02) at www.aysotraining.org

Please bring paper and pencil to take notes and to take the test

COST: Free! We will provide a referee uniform to all Region 10 attendees that pre-register, complete the course and exam.

See FAQs on the reverse side. Further questions? Send an email to Alan.Siegel@Mattel.com

Frequently Asked Questions about becoming a Referee

Q: I've never played soccer before; can I (or my spouse) really become a referee?

YES, every year in Region 10 we train over 150 moms and dads like you to help their kids learn the sport of soccer and keep it a Fun, Fair and Safe experience. Try it. We'll help you every step of the way and it may become a real passion for you and it is great exercise!

Q: Will I be able to ref my child's games?

YES, in the U6/U7/U8 you can ref your own child's games. In the older age groups we try to schedule you to ref the game before or after your child's game to minimize your time.

Q: How much time will this take?

After you attend the training course, the time commitments are usually about $1 - 1\frac{1}{2}$ hours, 2 - 3 times per month during the season. We are very flexible to accommodate travel schedules and other children's game commitments. This is usually much less time than a coaching position and still allows you to volunteer to help your child's soccer experience. We ask for 2 or 3 referees for each team so you do not need to ref every week.

Q: Can I start out as an Assistant Referee?

In the younger age groups (U6/U7/U8) there is only 1 Referee per game. At this level all that is required are the skills (and the patience) of a parent at a play group: directing traffic, encouraging the kids to play nicely, making sure everyone shares the toys, and stopping things if there is a boo-boo. It is very easy and straightforward. At U9/U10 we have a Referee who is assisted by 2 Assistant Referees. We can schedule you to be an Assistant Referee for your first few games to learn the requirements and gain confidence. Our training covers both positions.

Q: Can I ref my younger sibling's game? How old must I be to referee?

YES, becoming an AYSO referee is a great way for soccer players to learn critical leadership, decision making and communication skills. You can referee a younger sibling's game as long as you meet the requirements (minimum age of 10 for U6/U7/U8 games and minimum age of 12 for U9/U10 games). Community service hour worksheets are gladly signed by the referee coordinators.

Q: English is not my first language; will I be able to understand the training class?

YES, our instructors are trained to teach the material in a way that is easy to understand. The online training is self-paced.

Q: Do I need to pre-register for the training course? Must I provide my Social Security Number?

YES, these are required. Please see the instructions on the other side. SSNs are required by AYSO. These are used only by the AYSO National Office and are never printed on your form. Sorry, if you do not have a SSN, you cannot be an adult volunteer for AYSO.

Q: I took the One Night class years ago and have a U8 Referee Badge, what should I do?

To ref in U9/10 you must have the Regional Referee badge. Take the Basic Referee Online Training course and attend the course on the 7^{th} or 14^{th} . There is much new material not covered previously that you need to know, and this must be reviewed in the classroom session.

Q: Whoaa, Wait a minute: Can't I just use AYSO as a Babysitting service? Do I really need to Volunteer my time?

NO & YES, AYSO is an all-volunteer organization. You obviously care about your child. This is a youth development program run by volunteers. Who would be better than a concerned parent like you? And nothing beats the smiles and "Thanks Ref" after a job well done!