



Policy for Requesting to Work at or Assign for Sanctioned Youth Soccer Competitions in New Jersey

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Applies to: Any referee or assignor registered with a state other than New Jersey (Out-of-State Official) who desires to work at or for any sanctioned youth soccer competitions in New Jersey, including leagues and tournaments.

Purpose

Referees and assignors that work at or for sanctioned youth soccer competitions must be certified to do so. The certification is managed by state referee committees. Out-of-state officials who want to work at sanctioned competitions in New Jersey must document that they are certified and have participated in a risk management program. This policy mandates the way out-of-state officials will provide that documentation.

Policy

1. Any referee or assignor registered with a state other than New Jersey (Out-of-State Official) must follow this policy before working at or for sanctioned youth soccer competitions in New Jersey.
2. The Out-of-State Official must provide contact information as well as authorization from the registered State Referee Committee each year using a form provided for the purpose by the New Jersey State Referee Committee.
3. Using the form, the state referee committee with which the out-of-state official is registered must attest that the official is in good standing, is certified for the year requested, and has participated in a risk management program with a background check.
4. Referees must submit a new form for each calendar year to each New Jersey-registered Assignor for which a referee requests to work, and the New Jersey-registered Assignor must maintain a copy for his or her records.
5. Out-of-state officials and their home referee committees are requested to notify the competitions and the New Jersey State Referee Committee office immediately should the out-of-state official be suspended or otherwise declared ineligible to work.
6. Any out-of-state official who works at a sanctioned youth soccer competition in New Jersey and fails to comply with New Jersey State Referee Committee or competition authority requirements is subject to revocation of permission to work in New Jersey and may be referred to the official's home referee committee for further action.