

GEVA JUNIOR OFFICIATING TEAM EDUCATION 2015-16

Clinic Methods

Clubs may schedule in-person clinics with our Junior Officials Coordinator, Babs Stead (pegvb@aol.com). Clinics can be delivered to clubs on a schedule of their choosing, for any number of candidates that their facility practically allows. Club Directors will know who has attended their clinic without having to check their players' individual registration records. Clubs are encouraged to share clinics (and expense) with other nearby clubs. Candidates can interact with the instructor, and each other to enhance the learning experience.

As an alternative, Junior clubs may opt to have their players obtain required training online, by registering for the appropriate clinic (see below) at <http://webpoint.usavolleyball.org>, the same website used for member registration.

Certification and Renewal Requirements

Clinic attendance is required each season for all new and recertifying Junior Scorer and Second Referees. These may be done at either an in-person or online clinic.

The clinic, quiz, and practical evaluation are the three steps to certification.

Each team must certify, and have available, a Second Referee and Scorer to be eligible to participate in Regional play.

Players taking their clinic in person must also register for the online clinic on Webpoint.

All quizzes are included in the online clinics.

In-person clinic attendees are encouraged to bring an iPad or iPhone to their clinic to complete their quiz at their training session.

A "pre-quiz" feature is offered at the beginning of the online clinic. Recertifying officials may test-out of the clinic and final quiz by passing this pre-quiz. New candidates who are meeting their clinic requirement online may take the pre-quiz or go directly to the clinic, but they must view the entire clinic and pass the final quiz.

The scoresheet checkbox procedure will be used for submitting practical evaluations. At the end of each match, the First Referee will check a box located in the Remarks section of the scoresheet indicating whether s/he believes the candidate should be recommended for certification.

The "postcard method" for both Second Referee and Scorer may be employed at out of Region tournaments. That form can be found at www.GEVA.org, completed at the tournament, and returned to the Junior Officials Coordinator.

Following the clinic and quiz, scorer certification will be complete when two regular set scoresheets from the same match, and one deciding set (does not have to be a part of the same match) are approved by the Junior Officials Coordinator.

A “Yes” box checked for the Scorer does not mean the scoresheet has passed. This is just a first line of review that Scorer handled the match situations appropriately, which the coordinator was not present to observe. For example, a perfect scoresheet does not mean the Scorer was helpful if his/her pace detracted from the match, or if it appears s/he received excessive help in completing the scoresheet.

Two successful evaluations are required for Second Referees to complete their certification. These will be indicated in the Remarks section checkbox on the score sheet.

Officiating teams should be vigilant in making sure the names of the Second Referee and Scorer are entered in the Officials section of the scoresheet and that the First Referee for your match completes this portion of his/her duties.

Score sheets are submitted to the Junior Officials Coordinator by the tournament Site Director.

Record of Certification

Clinic completion and quizzes will be recorded on Webpoint regardless of whether your clinic is taken in person or online. Completing your clinic and quiz online will result in your record marked as “**Qualified**”.

All candidates’ record will be updated as “**Certified**” in Webpoint as they meet their criteria for certification, including practical review, have been approved.

Additional Training

Optional curricula include training for Lines Judges and Libero Tracker. Certification is not required but it is strongly suggest that Clubs direct all of their players to these online clinics.

One of the chief objections of players to officiating team duties is unfamiliarity with the jobs they are asked to perform, and fear of failure in public view. These clinics will help them to be prepared. Each of these clinics is only about 20 minutes in length. Most players will be called upon to fill these roles at some point during the season. They shouldn’t be put in a position which is uncomfortable to them. Instruction in the performance of these duties is vital, but it is impractical to expect a referee to provide the 20 minutes of instruction found in these videos with only six minutes allotted between matches prior to an officiating assignment.

Players’ participation in officiating team duties has many benefits, including building self-confidence, and giving them a broader perspective of the game. But this can only occur when they have received proper instruction and feel comfortable with the job.

A team's certified officials are not required to be Junior players! They maybe coaches or even parents, as long as they are properly registered and background screened. This option could give chaperones who want to be more involved with the team an outlet to participate, add credibility to your officiating team performance, while giving players downtime before their next match.

Junior Education Curricula:

Junior Second Referee: for new and recertifying Junior Second Referee candidates. Includes: the Junior Second Referee Clinic and quiz, and signals. This certification becomes complete upon successful practical evaluation.

Junior Scorer: required for new and recertifying Junior Scorer candidates. Includes: Scorer's Clinic and quiz, and Libero Control.

Lines Judge: suggested for all players. Includes: Junior Lines Judge clinic and quiz.

Libero Tracking: Highly recommended for all players. Includes: Libero Control clinic and quiz.

Junior First Referee: For Junior players who want to officiate GEVA tournaments as first referee for pay.

- Includes: Junior First Referee, Junior Second Referee, Scoring Basics Non-deciding Set, Scoring Basics Deciding Set, Libero Control, Junior Lines Judge, Junior Signals.
- If you have taken any of these modules for other certifications this season, they do not need to be repeated for this certification.
- Transportation will be required to attend a practical evaluation and paid tournaments.
- When the clinic is complete, the candidate should notify the Region Officials' Chair at Tim.Countryman@GEVA.org to schedule practical evaluation.
- This certification becomes complete upon successful practical evaluation.

FAQ:

Q: Where do I find the online clinics and how do I register for them?

A: Go to <http://webpoint.usavolleyball.org>

- Log in. There is a forgot user name and/or password function if you need it.
- Go to Event Registration (menu on the left side) → Region Ref/Score Clinic → Select in desired clinic and click Register.
- Complete the requested registration information, and click submit.

- The preferred method to directly access the online clinic material is to go to Webpoint and click any of the red “USA Volleyball Academy” buttons.
- Once at the clinic, click on “Go” to view each module.
- Jr R2 would take course 104.
- Jr Scorer would take courses 102 and 103.
- All should take course 101.

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- GE16_104 Junior Second Referee Clinic (NJ, NY)	+ Register Now!
- GE16_103 Junior Scorer Clinic (NJ, NY)	+ Register Now!
- GE16_102 Libero Tracking Clinic (NJ, NY)	+ Register Now!
- GE16_101 Lines Judge Clinic (NJ, NY)	+ Register Now!

Q: Why do I have to register for the online clinic when I will be attending an in-person clinic with my club?

A: This is the first step, and creates a record of your intent to pursue a certification.

Q: Where do I take my quiz?

A: The quiz is part of the online clinic. You must take the quiz online regardless of whether you take an online or in-person clinic.

Q: What if I fail my final quiz?

A: You may want to review the clinic modules. You may take the quiz again immediately, but don't be surprised if the questions are different. The questions for each quiz are generated randomly.

Q: What if the same module is in more than one clinic I have to take, do I have to take it over again?

A: No. When you finish a module in one curriculum, it will show as completed in all curricula that have that same module (you only have to take it once).

Q: Can I access the material on an iPad or iPhone?

A: Yes!

Q: Do I have to take the modules in the order they appear in the clinic?

A: No, but all modules, including the quiz, must be completed before you receive credit for completing the clinic, regardless of the order completed.

Q: May I take these clinics before I register as a member?

A: Yes, but only if you were previously a member. If you have never registered as a USAV member using Webpoint, you must do so before you can access clinic registration. That is the website that records your clinic progress and attaches it to your records.

Q. Can a coach use the same ID for referee and IMPACT training?

A. Yes! The two learning systems have been integrated.

Q: How can I verify which clinics I have enrolled in and completed?

A: Webpoint → My Information → Registrations tab. It might be a good idea to print the certificate you receive after completing your clinic, and give it to your coach or club director for his or her records.

Q: Who is the Junior Officials Coordinator?

A: Babs Stead: pegvb@aol.com

