



AYSO Teaching Plan

Module Referee Training Material

Module Goals:

To provide comprehensive, flexible training for AYSO volunteer referees under the AYSO (FIFA) Laws and AYSO National Rules and Regulations and to build an expectation that training is continuous.

Modular Training:

Modules 1 through 13 are designed to be presented in sequence.

Beginning with Module 14 training modules may be presented in any order.

This training is available for either certification to referee levels or for continuing education.

Referee Training:

Teaching Plans have been developed for training and to lead toward certification as:

U8 Official	Modules 1 through 7
Assistant Referee	Qualify as U8 Official plus Modules 10, 11, & 12
Regional (Basic) Referee	Qualify as U8 Official plus Modules 8 through 13
Intermediate Referee	Qualify as a Basic Referee plus Modules 14 through 19 plus completion of other upgrade requirements.
Advanced Referee	Qualify as an Intermediate Referee and Modules 20 through 24 plus completion of other upgrade requirements.

While maximum flexibility is provided by modular training, it is recommended that, where possible, courses using the modules necessary for certification be scheduled over a relatively short period of time and taught in module number sequence. Most courses can be divided into modules that can be taught in two to four hour blocks. This allows for courses to be completed either over a weekend or over several evenings.

Referees who cannot attend all modules may attend other training where modules are offered that are needed to complete certification as Intermediate or Advanced Referee.

Continuing Education:

The National Referee Commission believes strongly that referee training should be ongoing. Toward that end, Regions, Areas and Sections are encouraged to offer selected modules throughout the year. Referees should be encouraged to attend as many modules as they desire. However, certification will require completion of all appropriate modules. Certification as an Advanced Referee requires that the candidate first be certified as an Intermediate Referee.

Any and all modules may be used as continuing education, if conducted by a lead referee instructor of appropriate level.



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The modules have been designed so those that cover similar material (e.g. Off Side or Fouls and Misconduct) progress to more detailed coverage of the subject. While referees will receive maximum impact by attending modules in order, they will receive meaningful information by attending any module on a given subject.

Learning Objectives:

Each module has a stated learning objective and should be reviewed by the instructor to ensure that training objectives are best met by the selected module.

Equipment and Materials:

Specific equipment and material are listed in the lesson plans for each module and in the teaching plans for each course.

Instructor Notes:

Teaching in a modular environment offers the instructor a number of challenges. Instructors should keep in mind the following:

1. Attendees may have a greater variety of experience than is expected in a “course” environment. This will require the instructor to determine student experience and to modify teaching to accommodate the level of experience
2. When teaching multiple modules in a training environment, it is likely that students will come and go based on their needs. This may result in some disruption of the classroom and may extend time needed to conduct training.
3. Student and classroom material and facilities may be needed in greater quantity than thought by the instructor to accommodate individual students attending modules



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Modules:

The following are AYSO National Referee Program training modules:

Module 1- AYSO Referee Safe Haven Certification	(60 Min.)
Module 2- The Game of Soccer	(30 min.)
Module 3- Pre-game Preparation	(30 min.)
Module 4- Starting the Game	(30 min.)
Module 5- Stopping Play	(30 min.)
Module 6- Restarting Play	(45 min.)
Module 7- Post Game	(15 min.)
Module 8- Mechanical Aspects of the Game	(30 min.)
Module 9- Stopping Play and Restarts-Basic	(45 min.)
Module 10- Fouls and Misconduct-Basic	(60 min.)
Module 11- Off Side-Basic	(30 min.)
Module 12- Referee & Assistant Referee Mechanics-Basic	(45 min.)
Module 13- Understanding the AYSO Game	(45 min.)
Module 14- The Referee Team	(60 min.)
Module 15- Fouls Misconduct and Foul Play-Intermediate	(60 min.)
Module 16- Off Side-Intermediate & How to be an Assistant Referee	(135 mi.)
Module 17- Inter-Action with Coaches and Players	(90 min.)
Module 18- Diagonal System of Control and Game Tactics	(60 min.)
Module 19- The AYSO National Referee Program	(45 min.)
Module 20- Players, Substitutes and Others	(90 min.)
Module 21- Off Side- Advanced	(60 min.)
Module 22- Match Preparation	(135 min.)
Module 23- Foul and Misconduct in the Advanced Game	(90 min.)
Module 24- Reading the Game	(60 min.)

Training beyond these modules consists of stand-alone training developed for AYSO Section meetings and the National Referee Course.