

For certification, referee must:	GRADE 8	GRADE 7	GRADE 6
Initial Certification in the Grade/Upgrade to Next Level			
Registration	Complete online registration with MDCVASRP	1. Complete online registration with MDCVASRP 2. Declare to MDCVASRP state office via email intent to become a Grade 7* <i>*NOTIFY STATE OFFICE OF INTENT TO UPGRADE FROM 8 NO LATER THAN December 31, 2016</i>	1. Complete online registration with MDCVASRP 2. Forward senior referee checklist form to MDCVASRP <i>*FORWARD SENIOR REFEREE CHECKLIST TO THE STATE OFFICE NO LATER THAN December 31, 2016</i>
Minimum age	12	18	19
Previous Game Experience	None	20 games as a referee on U16 or higher level games	25 games as a referee on U19 or higher level games
Previous Grade Experience	None	At least 3 years as a Grade 8 that can be waived if 1 year in Grade and passes 1 assessment as a referee on an Amateur Level match	At least 1 year as a Grade 7
Level of Match Eligibility	Youth	Youth and Amateur	Youth and Amateur (possible lower level professional and developmental matches)
Training - Clinic	Attend Grade 8 Clinic	1. Attend Grade 7 Referee Upgrade Clinic 2. Attend Senior Recertification Clinic	1. Attend Grade 6 Referee Upgrade Clinic 2. Attend Senior Recertification Clinic
Training - Exam	Pass on site exam with at least a 80%	Pass Grade 6 exam with at least an 75%	Pass Grade 6 exam with at least an 80%
Training - Fitness	Not Applicable	Not Applicable To referee PDL, NPSL, and CCL-Pro-23 games, pass the sprint and interval physical fitness test for State Referees Sprints: 7.2 sec, 150 meter interval: 40 sec,50 meter interval: 40 sec	Pass the sprint and interval physical fitness test for Grade 6 Referees Sprints: 7.2 sec, 150 meter interval: 40 sec,50 meter interval: 40 sec
On Field Evaluation	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Pass a minimum of two (2) assessments as a referee (from affiliated U-16 and above games with a minimum of 40 minutes halves; one assessment must in an adult division 2 or higher game) completed by two (2) different State or National Assessors, and pass one assessment as an assistant referee on an adult division 2 or higher game

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Recertification in the Grade			
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Training - Clinic	Attend Grade 8 recertification clinic	1. Attend Senior Referee Recertification Clinic and 2. Complete the online USSF Grade 7 training	1. Attend Senior Referee Recertification Clinic and 2. Complete the online USSF Grade 6 training
Training - Exam	Pass online exam with at least a 80%	Pass Grade 6 exam with at least an 75%	Pass Grade 6 exam with at least an 80%
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