December 18, 2020

This notice is intended for all those that would like to become USSF/VSA certified (new, first time) referees in 2021.

Please refer to the VSA (Vermont Soccer Association - www.vermontsoccer.org) website and click on REFERES. We are working to update the website with current referee registration and licensing information within the next few days. It will detail the requirements for registering, training and licensing. Much of what is required is on the USSF Learning Center website is explained. Once those requirements are fulfilled, you will be required to complete Vermont specific training as well. You may sign up for one of the Vermont virtual clinics, but you must complete the on-line work before attending a virtual clinic.

With the Covid restrictions in place for an undetermined amount of time, we cannot plan for our normal in-person clinics. So, the plan for 2021 is to provide virtual clinics via zoom meetings as scheduled. You will need to register for one of these (2-session) zoom meeting clinics. In order to allow for and promote questions and interaction during these meetings, we are limiting the number of participants to 8 per class.

Covid continues to provide challenges and this method of training is no exception. When the playing season resumes we hope to have on-site mentors for these new referees as they are assigned their first games.

If you have any questions about this training and the planned virtual classes. please contact SDI (State Director of Instruction), Kurt Haigis at KHaigis@together.net.

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