



## FAQs Regarding the National and Junior National Referee Candidate Programs

### What does signing as the Referee Chair and Commissioner mean on a candidate's application?

- Your signature confirms that the applicant:
  - is a current member of good standing with your region,
  - has passed the USAV Background Screen and completed SafeSport Training for the current year,
  - upholds high standards of professionalism,
  - exhibits solid rules knowledge and officiating skills,
  - and is adequately prepared to successfully complete the candidate course

### Will RVA Officials Chairs be asked to rank applicants?

- Once all applications are received, we will reach out for feedback regarding those that are eligible, those that may need help, and those that are not eligible. We will not request a specific ranking.

### What kinds of activities should the applicant enter on their application activities summary?

- Applicants should enter the following activities:
  - USA Volleyball National Qualifiers
  - USA Volleyball National Championships
  - USA Volleyball Candidate Camps
  - Any other USA Volleyball Refereeing Activity
  - Fall 2024 Women's Collegiate Refereeing Activities
  - Winter 2023 – April 1, 2025 Men's Collegiate Refereeing Activities
- Applicants should NOT enter:
  - Activities outside of the requested timelines
  - Non-USA Volleyball juniors/club activities (i.e. AAU, JVA, NCVF, etc.)

### How many qualifiers/championships must the applicant attend?

- Candidates must attend, as a full-time referee without conflict, a minimum of:
  - 2 USAV National Qualifiers AND 1 USAV National Championship
  - OR
  - 1 USAV National Qualifier AND 2 USAV National Championships
  - OR
  - 3 USAV National Championships

### What is the timeline for the candidates/applicants USA Volleyball activity?

- March 28, 2023 – February 12, 2025 – National Candidates
- March 28, 2023 – April 1, 2025 – Junior National Candidates

### What does a letter of recommendation need to consist of?

- Can be written by anyone (ex: Fellow officials, your mentor, an assignor, a head referee, etc.)
- Should be limited to 300 to 400 words
- Should be a reflection on your work as a professional volleyball official and how advancing your certification would have a positive effect on your region and/or the overall cadre of officials.