



TOP 10 REASONS TO BE A REFEREE



- 1. Make new friends**
Refereeing is a great way of meeting new people and making new friends that may last a lifetime.
- 2. Keeping fit and active**
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- 3. Build your confidence**
You will learn the tools to make the right decisions and have fun doing so. Refereeing will provide the confidence you will use in life.
- 4. Learn more about the game**
As a referee, you will learn the Laws of the Game and get a better understanding of the game.
- 5. Doing something for the community**
As a referee, you are helping future kids learn the game of soccer better, as well as how to provide a mentor-like figure for them.
- 6. Be a part of the game**
You don't need to have kids or play to be a part of the game. Refereeing puts you in the middle of the field for the "best seat in the house".
- 7. Make it to FIFA (dream big)**
You don't need to play to make it to the big time. Even the current FIFA Referees had to start somewhere. With hard work and dedication, you could ultimately someday become a referee in the MLS league or higher as an international FIFA Referee.
- 8. Anyone can be a referee**
It doesn't matter how fit you are, how old you are or whether you're male or female, refereeing is open to anyone over 12 years of age with a good attitude.
- 9. Great support and camaraderie**
US Youth Soccer has some great support initiatives to make sure that when you are out there, you're not alone.
- 10. Earn a little extra money**
You can make some decent money refereeing while also having fun too!