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United States Soccer Federation

Soccer Referee Course

Western Maryland Soccer Officials Association (WMSOA) will sponsor an entry-level soccer referee course at Frederick High School. The course prepares youth and adults for certification as USSF Grade 8 referees, which permits referees to officiate recreational-level youth and adult soccer games throughout Maryland. WMSOA provides referees to leagues primarily in Frederick and Washington Counties.

The 18-hour course covers the Laws of the Game, officiating techniques, and game management. Student must attend all sessions of the course. There will be a 100 question, true-false and multiple-choice test for registration with USSF. Upon passing the entry-level test, participants may register with the United States Soccer Federation as a Grade 8 referee.

Participants should bring: **Notebook, writing materials, and a check for \$30** (covering the course material and instructor fees) to the first session. They will receive a lawbook and other course materials at that time. At the conclusion of the course, participants will need a check for \$40.00 to register with USSF.

We encourage adults, teens, parents, players, and coaches to enroll in this course. Participants should be at least 13 years of age. Please invite your friends, teammates, and other adults to take this course with you. By refereeing youth and adult matches, you will earn good money while you help players, coaches and spectators enjoy "the beautiful game".

Location: Frederick High School Cafeteria
650 Carroll Parkway, Frederick, MD

Dates: **Tuesdays – February 2, 9, 16, 23, and March 2nd and 9th**

Times: **6:00 PM to 9:00 PM,**

Pre-registration is **strongly recommended**, as class size may be limited. E-mail to **Steve Horton** at stephenshorton@aim.com. Please put "Referee" in the subject line. Include participant's name, address, birth date, telephone/cell number, place of birth and citizenship. "Frequently Asked Questions" are available at <http://www.wmsoa.net/training+links>. You may also register at the first session on February 2nd. More information and other classes may be found at:

<http://www.marylandsoccer.com/referees/refcourses.htm>