USA Volleyball / Southern Region

Welcome Information

**Region Handbook**

* SRVA.org: https://www.srva.org/handbooks

**Registration**

* Contact: Brenda McIntosh, contact email: [**Registrar@srva.org**](mailto:Registrar@srva.org)
* Registration starts September 1
* Go to <https://www.srva.org/membership-options> and choose Click here to register (middle of the page)
* Register for:
  + SRVA-A3 Adult Official:
    - Allows for participation in officiating roles in all USAV/RVA sanctioned events. The participant must successfully pass a background screen and be SafeSport training prior to participation.
* Any questions on registration, please contact Brenda McIntosh

**Online Training**

* Steps to register / complete the online officiating clinics are as follows:
  + Login to your USAV Academy Account:
  + Click on Household, then select the correct person.
  + Click "View Details" on the USA Volleyball membership.
  + Select USAV Academy Button on the right side.
  + Select "Content Library" on the left side of the Navigation Bar
  + A list of clinics will then come up on the page. Read each description carefully for the SO Clinics you wish to take. For example, new referees need to select "SOXX\_201 New Referee Training." Usually the XX will be the last two digits of the year the club season ends (2024-2025 season = 25)
  + Select "Start this Course" at the top and middle of the page.
  + Finish all the modules that are included in your course.
  + Any questions, please contact Mark Prater, SRVA Officials Chair, via email: [Markprater68@gmail.com](mailto:Markprater68@gmail.com)

**Rulebook**

* SRVA is ordering rulebooks and will be mailed to each referee.

**Ratings / Evaluations**

* New form to fill out if you are requesting a rating; I NEED A RATING. SRVA.org/Officiating
* Ratings / Evaluations are required every year. The number of ratings depends on your current certification.
  + New Referee (also known as In-Process)
    - 2 R1 ratings: Last R1 rating must be passing.
    - 1 R2 rating: Does not need to be passing.
    - Rating / Evaluation must be performed by either a Regional, Junior National, National, or International referee.
* Provisional
  + 1 R1 rating: Must be passing.
  + 1 R2 rating: Must be passing.
  + Rating / Evaluation must be performed by either a Regional, Junior National, National, or international referee.
* Regional
  + 1 R1 OR 1 R2 rating: Must be passing.
  + Rating / Evaluation must be performed by either a Regional, Junior National, National, or International referee.
* Deadline
  + All ratings must be uploaded to your online module for review by the Officials Chair.
  + Ratings must be completed and submitted no later than one week after the conclusion of the USAV Junior Girls/Boys National Championships (whichever concludes the latest in the season). Ratings will be accepted from all tournaments that use USAV rules.

**Referee Supplies**

Uniform

* Uniform policy and approved vendors of apparel can be found here: <https://usavolleyball.org/resources-for-officials/indoor-referees/>

Equipment

* Whistle
* Red / Yellow cards
* Ball gauge
* Ball pump
* Measure device (net chain)
* Rule Book (provided by the Southern Region, will be mailed)
* Flipping Coin
* Watch (tracks seconds and minutes)
* Flags
* Small bag to carry equipment to court.

**FAQ**

* How do I get assigned matches?
  + SRVA does not assign officials for tournaments. There is a list of SRVA tournaments on SRVA.org/Events/Tournaments. There is a person to contact if you are available to referee their tournament. Also, you can go to Sportwrench (Sportwrench.com) and AES (advancedeventsystems.com) to register for tournaments.
* Do I have to take a test to become a referee / certified?
  + Yes, taking a test is part of the requirements every year.
* Does my background check for high school count towards USA Volleyball?
  + No, you must get a background check for USA Volleyball
* Do I have to take SafeSport every year?
  + Yes
* How do I advance my certification?
  + If you are interested in advancing your certification, the requirements are in our region handbook which can be found on SRVA.org/About Us/Handbook. Any questions, please contact the Officials Chair, [MarkPrater68@gmail.com](mailto:MarkPrater68@gmail.com).
* I am having trouble accessing my online training, who do I contact?
  + Officials Chair, [MarkPrater68@gmail.com](mailto:MarkPrater68@gmail.com)
* I am having trouble registering, who do I contact?
  + Brenda McIntosh, SRVA.org/About Us/Region Leadership. You can email her under Elected Officers

**Questions?**

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