



Colorado State Referee Committee
P.O. Box 495 Wheat Ridge, Colorado 80034



Requirements for Advancement to Referee 07

In consultation with the State Referee Administrator, the State Director of Assessment and the State Director of Instruction, the following upgrade process has been established for all referees upgrading from Grade 8 to Grade 7. The USSF Criteria for Advancement from Grade 8 to Grade 7 is shown in the table below.

Criteria	Referee Grade 7
Minimum age	17
Experience (minimum cumulative career affiliated outdoor games at designated level)	Referee: 75 Assistant Referee: 25
Game level to be counted for advancement	U.S. Soccer Federation Games
Time in present grade	12 months as Referee Grade 8
Training course requirements	5 hours of U.S. Soccer Intermediate Level Training above normal recertification clinics, i.e. intermediate, advanced, regional/ pro clinics.
Written Examination	85% minimum score on U.S. Soccer Referee Exam
Field Evaluation by currently registered U.S. Soccer Assessor	Pass one evaluation as referee in an affiliated Under-17 or higher level game employing the DSC
Physical Fitness Test	Required (with passing score)

Written Notice of Intent to Upgrade

A notice of intent to upgrade must be made in writing to the State Referee Administrator. You must include your Referee Match Log detailing the minimum of 75 games as a Referee and 25 games as an Assistant Referee. The State Referee Administrator will review your Referee Match Log and make sure you have had at least 12 months as a grade 8 Referee.

Your game log should include for each match, at a minimum, the following elements ([Download Match Game Log](#) (MS Excel)):

- Match date
- Location
- Level of Competition
- Score
- Home Team
- Visiting Team
- Level of Competition
- Names of other Referees on the Officiating Crew



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5 – Hour Intermediate Level Training and Written Examination

Once your game log and your 12 months as a grade 8 Referee have been verified, your name will be given to the State Director of Instruction. You must have completed the 5 hour Intermediate Level Training Course. You must take Referee written exam and pass with a minimum score of 85%. A Physical Fitness Test is required (with passing score- see page 26 of the Administrative Handbook for details or on the COReferees.org website: [Fitness Testing](#) page.

Upgrade Assessment

Upon completion of the clinic, written and physical fitness tests, your name will be passed on to the State Director of Assessment for scheduling of your upgrade assessment. You must pass one evaluation as a referee in an affiliated U17 or higher-level game employing the DSC. A \$45.00 check must be sent to the State Referee Administrators office before your assessment can be scheduled. The address for the State Referee Administrator is:

***State Referee Administrator
PO Box 495
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