



## GEVA Junior Officiating Team Education for the 2014-2015 Season

Clinic attendance is required for all new and recertifying Junior Scorer and Second referees. These may be done at either an in-person clinic or online.

**A new “pre-quiz”** feature has been added to the online clinics. Offered at the beginning of the clinic, recertifying officials may test-out of the clinic and final quiz requirement by passing this pre-quiz. New candidates may also take the pre-quiz or they may go directly to the clinic, but they must view the entire clinic.

All quizzes, for both new and renewing candidates must be completed online. This is true if you are taking the online or in person clinic.

**The clinic, test, and practical evaluation are still the three steps required to complete certification.**

Each team must certify a Second Referee and Scorer, prior to March 1<sup>st</sup> to be eligible for and participate in Regional play. Teams will be required to have certified Second Referees and Scorers participate in the Regionals.

We will continue to use the scoresheet checkbox procedure for submitting practical evaluations (via the Tournament Director). The “postcard method” will not be accepted at in-Region tournaments.

To complete their certification, Scorers will submit two acceptable regular set score sheets from the same match, and one deciding set (does not have to be a part of the same match) to the Coordinator.

A “Yes” box checked for the Scorer does not mean the scoresheet has passed. This is just a first line of review that Scorer handled the match situations appropriately, which the coordinator was not present to observe. For example, a perfect scoresheet does not mean the Scorer was helpful to the match if his/her pace detracted from the match, or if it appears s/he received excessive help in completing the scoresheet.

Two successful evaluations are required for Second Referees to complete their certification. These will be indicated by the scoresheet checkbox. Junior Officiating teams should be vigilant in making sure the names on the scoresheet are legible and are the name used in registration (not nicknames, initials, or abbreviations) and that the first referee has checked one of the pass/fail boxes.

The “postcard method” for both Second Referee and Scorer may be employed only at out of Region tournaments. That form can be found at [www.GEVA.org](http://www.GEVA.org).

Clubs may schedule in-person clinics with our Junior Coordinator, Babs Stead ([pegvb@aol.com](mailto:pegvb@aol.com)). You can have the clinics delivered to your club on an acceptable schedule of your choosing, for any number of candidates that your facility practically allows. Club Directors will know who has attended their clinic without having to check their individual registration records. We even encourage you to share clinics (and expense) with nearby clubs. Your candidates can interact with the instructor, and each other to enhance their learning experience. **Remember the testing portion still needs to be completed online.**



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As an alternative, Junior Clubs may opt to have their players obtain required training online, by registering for the appropriate clinic (see below) on Webpoint, the same website used for member registration ([www.webpoint.usavolleyball.org](http://www.webpoint.usavolleyball.org)).

Clinic completion and quizzes will be recorded on Webpoint regardless of whether your clinic is taken in person or online. Completing your clinic and quiz online will result in a checkbox on your record as **“Qualified”**. Your certification will be complete when your practical evaluation has been approved. The **“Certified”** checkbox will then be marked on your Webpoint page.

Without regard to whether a player takes a clinic in person or online, all candidates must register for the online clinic on Webpoint. If you attend an in-person clinic, the Coordinator will mark the clinic portion of the curriculum as complete, leaving only the quiz remaining to be taken.

All candidates' records will be updated in Webpoint as they meet their criteria including practical review.

We have optional curricula for Lines Judges and Libero Tracker. Certification is not required but we strongly suggest that Clubs direct all of their players to these online clinics. One of the chief objections of players completing Junior Officiating Team duties is unfamiliarity with the jobs they are asked to perform, and fear of failure in a public setting. Encourage them to be prepared. Each of these clinics is only about 20 minutes in length, and any of your players may be called upon to fill these roles during the season. They shouldn't be put in a position which is uncomfortable to them. Instruction in the performance of these duties is vital, but it is impractical to expect a referee to provide the 20 minutes of instruction found in these videos with only six minutes allotted between matches prior to a Junior Officiating Team assignment.

Players' participation in Junior Officiating Team duties has many benefits, including building self-confidence, and giving them a broader perspective of the game. But this can only occur when they have received proper instruction and feel comfortable with the job.

Think about this. A team's certified officials are not required to be Junior players! They maybe coaches or even parents, as long as they are properly registered and background screened. Consider this option. It could give chaperones that want to be more involved with the team an outlet to participate, add credibility to your Junior Officiating Team performance, while giving your players downtime before their next match.

### Junior Education Curricula:

**Junior Second Referee:** for new and recertifying Junior Second Referee candidates. Includes: the Junior Second Referee Clinic and quiz, and signals. This certification becomes complete upon successful practical evaluation.

**Junior Scorer:** required for new and recertifying Junior Scorer candidates. Includes: Scorer's Clinic and quiz, and Libero Control.



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**Lines Judge:** suggested for all players. Includes: Junior Lines Judge clinic and quiz.

**Libero Tracking:** Highly recommended for all players. Includes: Libero Control clinic and quiz.

**Junior First Referee:** for Junior Players who want to officiate GEVA tournaments as first referee for pay. Includes: Junior First Referee, Junior Second Referee, Scoring Basics Non-deciding Set, Scoring Basics Deciding Set, Libero Control, Junior Lines Judge, Junior Signals.

If you have taken any of these modules for other certifications this season, they do not need to be repeated for this certification.

Transportation will be required to attend a practical evaluation and paid tournaments.

When the clinic is complete, the candidate should notify the Region Officials' Chair at [Tim.Countryman@GEVA.org](mailto:Tim.Countryman@GEVA.org) to schedule practical evaluation.

This certification becomes complete upon successful practical evaluation.

### FAQ:

#### Q: Where do I find the online clinics and how do I register for them?

A: Go to (<http://webpoint.usavolleyball.org/>)

- Log in. There is a forgot user name and/or password function if you need it.
- Go to Event Registration (menu on the left side) → Region Ref/Score Clinic → Register.
- Complete the requested registration information, and click submit.
- Follow the link provided at the time of registration or go to [www.usaVolleyballAcademy.com](http://www.usaVolleyballAcademy.com) to take your clinic (use the same user name and password as for Webpoint login).
- Once in CourseMill, click on the curriculum number to show all of the modules in your clinic
- Click on each module to view it.

#### Q: Why do I have to register for the online clinic when I will be attending an in-person clinic with my club?

A: This is the first step, and creates a record of your intent to pursue a certification. If you take your clinic in person, the Junior Coordinator will mark the clinic portion of your requirements as complete.

#### Q: Where do I go to take my quiz?

A: The quiz is part of the online clinic. You must take the quiz online regardless of whether you take an online or in-person clinic.

#### Q: What if the same module is in more than one clinic I have to take, do I have to take it over again?

A: No. When you finish a module in one curriculum, it will show as completed in all curricula that have that same module (you only have to take it once).



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**Q: Can I access the material on an iPad or iPhone?**

A: Yes! This is one of the big recent improvements.

**Q: Do I have to take the modules in the order they appear in the clinic?**

A: No, but all modules, including the quiz, must be completed before you receive credit for completing the clinic, without regard to the order completed.

**Q: May I take these clinics before I register as a member?**

A: Yes, but only if you were previously a member. If you have never registered as a USAV member using Webpoint, you must do so before you can access clinic registration. That is the website that records your clinic progress and attaches it to your records.

**Q: What are Webpoint, Learning Management Systems, USA Volleyball Academy and CourseMill?**

A: Webpoint is the website that maintains your individual registration and education records. The Learning Management System (LMS) is the website which hosts the clinics, and is also known as USA Volleyball Academy. CourseMill is the program that you will see on your screen that delivers your clinic modules. They will officiate seamlessly if you follow the procedures outlined here.

**Q: What is my user ID and password in Learning Management Systems (LMS)?**

A: Your user ID and password are the same for LMS as Webpoint until you change one or the other. If you have any special characters (!,@,#,\$,%^,&\*) in your Webpoint password, you must change that password for it to work in LMS (USA Volleyball Academy). You can change it back after you set a new password in LMS.

**Q: I want a different user name or password for my LMS (USA Volleyball Academy). Can I do that?**

A: Yes, but the password you use in LMS cannot have any special characters (!,@,#,\$,%^,&\*).

**Q. Can a coach use the same ID for referee and IMPACT training?**

A. Yes! The two learning systems have been integrated this year.

**Q: What is the difference between a clinic and curriculum?**

A: Clinic is the word Webpoint uses for the modules that make up your study. In the Learning Management System they are called curricula.

**Q: Why didn't I get my clinic notice in my e-mail?**

A: Check SPAM for your registration notice and link e-mail.

**Q: How can I verify which clinics I have enrolled in and completed?**

A: Webpoint → My Information → Registrations tab. It might be a good idea to print the certificate you receive after completing your clinic, and give it to your coach or club director for his or her records.

**Q: Who is the Junior Coordinator?**

A: Margaret Stead: [pegvb@aol.com](mailto:pegvb@aol.com)