



June 18, 2021

Attention: Head Referees/Referee Coordinators

From: Lynda Mulder, Referee Programs Coordinator

Subject: Update BC Soccer Referee Clinics – On-field practical sessions

Dear Head Referees and Referee Coordinators,

As many would have seen, the BC Government recently announced the move to step 2 of its Restart Plan which took effect (June 15, 2021). Based on this, and guidance from ViaSport, we are pleased to share that with this most recent easing of restrictions, BC Soccer will begin coordinating and delivering the on-field practical component of the referee clinics.

Additionally, for the time being we will continue to deliver the referee clinics with BC Soccer's updated clinic delivery plan, and then seek to update future delivery of clinics in the next phase.

We are optimistic with the go forward plan, however, the situation may differ by area, therefore, we must all continue to follow the BC health authority's guidance and require all members and affiliated clubs to do the same. We also understand that each **municipality has potentially different restrictions and limitations** for bookings/activity, therefore, please work with your local cities/municipalities to adhere to any requirements to ensure you are providing a safe environment for all participants.

On-Field Practical Sessions

New and future Small Sided and Entry Level clinic requests will include the on-field practical session as part of the initial clinic request.

Small Sided and Entry Level clinics that were delivered in May-June 2021 and/or upcoming clinics (already approved) can place a request with BC Soccer using the google form link below to have an on-field practical session added to a clinic. A BC Soccer instructor(s) will then be assigned and will facilitate the on-field practical session.

All students who previously attended a Small Sided or Entry Level clinic and/or students registered for an upcoming approved clinic, will receive notification via a generated email from RefCentre with the date/time/location for their scheduled clinic, once the on-field practical session has been confirmed. Students will also receive communication from BC Soccer via email of scheduled on-field sessions available.

Students who are unable to attend the confirmed on-field session for their scheduled clinic, will have the option of transferring into another available on-field session via the students RefCentre account.

Please Note: The on-field practical sessions for Small Sided Clinics will be 2-hrs in length, and on-field practical sessions for Entry Level Clinics will be 3.5-hrs in length.

To request to have an on-field practical session please click on the link below

<https://forms.gle/gKWmovKPjeyUtwqv5> . Please allow a minimum of 3 business days for BC Soccer to approve a requested on-field practical session.



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Updated Referee Clinic Host Information

With the most recent easing of restrictions, BC Soccer has also updated the Referee Clinic Host information package for the delivery of the Small Sided and Entry Level Clinics which can be found on our website <https://bcsoccer.net/referee-clinics> . We kindly ask that you review this updated guide prior to placing a request for a referee clinic.

As we continue to navigate through returning to the field and match play, we'd like to thank everyone for their continued patience and understanding. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Kind Regards,
BC Soccer
Referee Program