



Region Cup Policy

PLEASE READ THIS DOCUMENT VERY CAREFULLY.

The purpose of this referee credit plan is to provide an incentive for each team to serve its share of the Region's referee load for the upcoming season. It applies to all teams in the 10U through 14U Divisions.

The Fall season will be divided into two phases. First, we will play a season of "Friendlies". Standings for these matches will not be kept. After that, we will play the annual Regional Cup tournament. All teams that have provided the necessary referee support will qualify to play in the tournament. The tournament outcome will determine the Regional Champions in each Division.

Friendlies phase - Teams must earn referee credits during the Friendlies phase in order to be eligible to play in the Regional Cup tournament!

- 10U – 12 credits
- 12U – 14 credits
- 14U – 16 credits

If a team has earned less than the required number of credits, their Fall Season will end at the conclusion of the Friendlies. Teams earning the required referee credits will be included in the Regional Cup Tournament. To facilitate scheduling, the Region 112 Executive Board may allow additional team(s) to participate in the tournament. Teams will be notified if they are selected.

Tournament phase - Teams must earn referee credits during the Pool Play phase of the tournament in order to be eligible to advance to the Semi-finals!

- 10U – 3 credits
- 12U – 3 credits
- 14U – 4 credits

If a team has earned less than the required number of credits, their Fall Season will end at the conclusion of the Pool Play.

Each team will be obligated to share the referee load during the Semi-finals and the Finals of the tournament at the request of the Regional Referee Administrator and designated Referee Schedulers.

REQUIREMENT SUMMARY

Teams earning the required Referee Credits: Eligible for Region Cup

Teams earning less than the required number of Referee Credits: Not Eligible for Region Cup, season ends at week 8.

How to earn necessary referee credits

1. For each game worked by a team's certified referee, either as an Assistant Referee or as a Center Referee, A referee credit will be awarded to the team they represent. **Referees may only represent a MAXIMUM of three (3) teams throughout the season.** Any exceptions to this policy must be pre-approved by the Regional Executive Board.
2. The following referee credits will be earned each time a referee officiates a match in 8U thru U14.

LEVEL	POSITION	POINTS	POINTS REQUIRED
8U	CR	1 – youth only	None
10U	CR	1	12
10U	AR	1	
12U	CR	1.5	14
12U	AR	1	
14U	CR	2	16
14U	AR	1.5	

3. Adult Referees will NOT earn referee credits for officiating at the U8 level.



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4. Each team can earn a maximum number of credits in one day.
 - a. **10U – 3 credits**
 - b. **12U – 4.5 credits** – 3 credits can be earned if the referee for the team supported two U12 games as a CR.
 - c. **14U – 6 credits** – 4 credits can be earned if the referee for the team supported two U14 games as a CR.
5. Referees will not be allowed to sign up to referee their own team's game. In the event that no referee shows up for a game, certified referees on each team will be allowed to referee their own team's game for no referee credit.
6. Coaches should periodically check the www.AYSO112.org website to assure they've received the appropriate number of referee credits as the season progresses. The file is posted weekly, usually by Tuesday evening, under the Referee Resources tab.
7. The referee credits requirement may be adjusted accordingly as needed for regular season and regional tournament games canceled due to inclement weather, unhealthful air, or any other reason that are not rescheduled.