

Steps to Become a High School Soccer Referee with South Jersey Soccer Officials Association (SJSOA)

Register with NJSIAA (the state)

Go to www.NJSIAA.org, Click Sign In. Click Officials Registration. A \$60 fee will be collected to cover state registration and background check.

Register with SJSOA (the local officials chapter)

- Go to www.SJSOA.net and complete the Become A Referee form.
- Fill out the survey that will be emailed to you.
- Mail \$140 check or pay via venmo. This covers training class fee, chapter dues, rule book, insurance, and escrow of assigning fees.

SJSOA Certification Process

- For applicants **with** prior soccer officiating experience, you may take the SJSOA Interactive Training Course via Zoom.
- For applicants **WITHOUT** prior soccer officiating experience, you may take the SJSOA Interactive Training Course via Zoom, only after completing custom-assigned task list.
- Fitness Test & Field Clinic, August 22, 6pm.
- All "cadets" will be expected to attend and work (paid) games at the SJSOA JV Tournament. Cadets will receive assessments and mentoring at this time.
- Purchase Uniform (Smitty is the current NJSIAA jersey contractor).
- Geoff Filinuk will send you an invitation to ZebraWeb. Set your calendar.

Additional Requirements

- There is an open book test online that must be taken annually.
- The NFHS Concussion in Sports course must be taken annually.
- There is a one time requirement of taking a NJSIAA Implicit Bias course online. You must register for this in advance.
- SJSOA Referees are expected to attend all chapter meetings, and will be fined \$25 if attending less than 3. Cadets will do a check-in with John Hartnett following meetings.