



USATT Referee Qualification

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Certified Referee Qualification

1. USATT Umpire
2. At least 18 years old
3. Payment of \$25 fee
4. Candidate provided Referee study materials which contains the current USATT Tournament Guide and other references
5. Pass a 2 part exam consisting of:
 - a. Written exam of 25 questions including two tie-break exercises. Each question is worth 4 points
 - b. An unsupervised 32 player draw worth 10 points
 - c. 75% of 110 points required to pass
 - d. Satisfactory completion of the tie-break and draw exercises required to pass
 - e. If total score is good, candidate can re-do the tie break and/or draw
6. Re-exam after a failure – 6 months and pay the exam fee.

Regional Referee Qualification

1. Certified Referee for at least **one** year.
2. USATT Umpire with at least 7 matches umpired
3. Has refereed at least 5 tournaments as a Certified Referee
4. Provide referee resume'
5. Approved by the Exam Coordinator to take exam
6. Payment of \$25 fee
7. Candidate provided an Advanced Referee information that includes all references and other information. Pass an exam consisting of:
 - a. 20 RU level multiple choice questions, 1 point each
 - b. 20 referee situations, multiple choice and essay, 3 points each

- c. 32 player draw with seeds, direct entries and qualifiers. Includes tie-breaks, 20 points
 - d. 75% score to pass with minimum of 65% for each portion.
8. Re-exam after a failure – 9 months and having refereed an additional two tournaments.
9. Pay the exam fee.

National Referee Qualification

1. USATT Regional Referee for **one** year.
2. ITTF International or **USATT** National Umpire
3. Extensive experience as a referee including experience as a referee at 3 and/or 4 Star tournaments
6. Experience at the national level as a Chief Umpire or Deputy Chief Umpire
7. No exam fee
8. Candidate provided ITTF Rules Manual and Handbook for Match Officials
9. Nomination by the URC
10. Pass a 4-part exam consisting of:
 - a. A draw done at home. Consisting of 64 player draw with seeds, direct entries and qualifiers. Includes tie-breaks
 - b. A time schedule done at home
 - c. A written exam at the Nationals, 25 essay questions, 4 points each
 - d. An Oral Exam at the Nationals (subjective evaluation)
 - e. Passing score of 85%
11. Re-exam after a failure – Determined on a case-by-case basis.
12. Exam given only at the Nationals or U.S. Open

Proctors for all exams are either referee of the exam level or higher or a responsible person, not a family member and not associated with table tennis.

Referee qualification by tournament

1. Zero Star – any umpire.
2. 1-2 Star – Certified Referee or higher.
3. 3-4 Star – Regional Referee or higher.
4. 5 Star – National Referee or International Referee. US Open – International Referee.

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