



Ku-ring-gai and District Football Referees Association Inc.

Course Registration and Membership Application

1. (at Mon 16 Jan 12): Please note that Branch Coach (who deals with all registrations) is on holiday, but will monitor new registrations about every four days or so, and will continue the admin for those in the pipeline at the same time. Do not be alarmed if you register and do not hear anything for a few days. There is still loads of room on the courses, so you WILL be OK for a place!

WE NEED MANY MORE CANDIDATES (PARTICULARLY ADULTS OF EITHER GENDER) FOR 2012 COURSES, WHICH START IN EARLY FEBRUARY..... PLEASE DON'T WAIT ANY LONGER - COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION FORM AND COME AND JOIN THE REFEREES, SO THAT WE CAN GIVE KDSA PLAYERS AS MANY MATCH OFFICIALS AS POSSIBLE!!!!!!!

Information:

The Ku-ring-gai & District Football Referees Association (KDFRA) conducts Referee training courses in accordance with the national program set out by FFA and the Australian Sports Commission. Our coaches, who are themselves experienced senior referees and FFA Instructors, will teach you the Laws of the Game, and how to apply them in practice, in lecture-style sessions supported by audio/visual material, in indoor and outdoor venues.

The referee qualification is a two-part process.

Laws of the Game Certificate course: Theory Course (February/March each year)

The Laws of the Game (LOTG) theory course is conducted over 8 hours in lecture-style sessions and includes an examination. This course is run at an indoor venue (Lindfield) over four evenings within one fortnight (2 evenings per week for 2 consecutive weeks), with the FFA exam being taken in the 4th session. This exam must be passed before you can attend the FFA Level 4 (Junior Referee) course (below). All course materials are provided, and you must be able to complete some self-study in between the sessions.

FFA Level 4 (Junior Referee) course: Practical Course (February/March each year)

The practical course is conducted over a full day (8am til 3pm) on the Sunday immediately following the end of your theory course, at a mixed indoor/outdoor venue at Northbridge. This course takes you through the practicalities of being a referee, including appointments, equipment, grounds, pre-match management, refereeing the match, managing players, dealing with incidents, identifying fouls, positioning, signalling, post-match management, preparation for the next match, KDFRA business management, and a host of other aspects. Once you pass this practical course you will be a qualified FFA Level 4 Junior Referee, and can join KDFRA and be appointed as a match official in our district.

NOTES: (at 3 Jan 2012): The Cadet Scheme for young people under 14 is now full for 2012 courses. Therefore, you **MUST** be 14 by 1 April 2012 if you wish to attend a new-entry refereeing course ready for this 2012 season.

COMMITMENT TO REGULAR TRAINING AFTER YOU QUALIFY AS A REFEREE::

In the same way that players in a football team are required to train, so Referees are also required to train. If you become a member of our Association, you will need to attend our monthly coaching meetings in order to maintain your qualification. These meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Adults meet from 7.20pm until 9.00pm at Lindfield Sports Club. Members aged 14-17 have their own Youth squad coaching meeting from 6.30pm to 7.30pm on the same evening also at Lindfield, and stay on for the adult meeting if possible. (This allows for Cadet and younger Youth members, who should attend for the Cadet/Youth coaching session, but may have to leave at 7.30pm). Regardless of age, if you do not attend these monthly coaching meetings, your qualification will not be renewed at the next re-accreditation point. This is a national requirement of FFA and applies to all referees in Australia.

Additionally, we train once a week in the evenings, to provide fitness, agility, and refereeing skills. It is highly desirable that you plan, as part of your wish to take up refereeing, to attend weekly training which is held from 7.30pm to 9.00pm one evening a week normally at Bannockburn Oval under floodlights. It is recognised that referees who also play may already have team training commitments, and if this is keeping them fit enough to referee, then we understand that an additional evening may not be possible. Apart from those who are in this situation, other members should attend weekly training, as it offers both a physical workout and refereeing skills development.

IF YOU UNDERSTAND ALL OF THE ABOVE, AND ACCEPT THE EXPECTATIONS THAT COME WITH REFEREEING, THEN PLEASE PROCEED TO THE COURSE DATES INFORMATION BELOW, and then to registration. If you have any questions, please ask me via this email address: coach@kdfra.asn.au

We look forward to welcoming you into the ranks of football refereeing in Australia and the Ku Ring-gai district.

Upcoming Course details:

Course dates for Feb and March 2012 will be:

Course A:

Laws of the Game Certificate course:

Session 1: Tues 7 Feb 12

Session 2: Thur 9 Feb 12

Session 3: Tues 14 Feb 12

Session 4: Thur 16 Feb 12 (includes exam)

Level 4 (Practical) course: Sun 19 Feb 12

Course B:

Session 1: Mon 20 Feb 12

Session 2: Weds 22 Feb 12

Session 3: Mon 27 Feb 12

Session 4: Weds 29 Feb 12 (includes exam)

Level 4 (Practical) course: Sun 4 Mar 12

Course C:

Session 1: Tues 6 Mar 12

Session 2: Thur 8 Mar 12

Session 3: Tues 13 Mar 12

Session 4: Thur 15 Mar 12 (includes exam)

Level 4 (Practical) course: Sun 18 Mar 12

The Course Fee is \$130, which covers both the LOTG course and the Level 4 practical day. When I acknowledge your registration, I will invite you to pay your course fee in order to secure your place. (No fee lodged = no place confirmed). Additionally, candidates will at the time they start the course need to pay upfront for their refereeing kit. Details and costs (heavily subsidised for you by our current members) will be in the note that I will send to you after you register.

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BEFORE YOU PROCEED, ensure you have read and understand the above information.

Click "Proceed" to continue to the registration form: