



## **Steps to Referee Games**

### **High School/League Referee:**

- TAWPO online registration, <http://www.tawpo.org/resources/online-registration>
- TAWPO Annual Dues (\$47) Send to TAWPO, c/o Andy Contreras, 23705 W IH-10, Ste. 209, San Antonio, Texas 78257-1158. You can also pay these dues online at [www.TAWPO.org](http://www.TAWPO.org)
- Pass/Complete TAWPO Online Rules Test, <http://www.tawpo.org/resources/online-rules-test>
- After online registration, paying dues, and completing the online test, contact local Ref Assignor.
  - North Region (DFW Area): Wes Mahan – [jw\\_mahan@charter.net](mailto:jw_mahan@charter.net)
  - West Region (San Antonio-Austin): Donn Boyd – [donn.boyd47@gmail.com](mailto:donn.boyd47@gmail.com)
  - South/East Regions (Houston): John Webb - [txhoozer@yahoo.com](mailto:txhoozer@yahoo.com)
- Primary Contact: TAWPO Chair, John Rightmyer- [john.rightmyer@gmail.com](mailto:john.rightmyer@gmail.com), 210-857-4950

### **Additional Information – High School/League Referees:**

- All Referees MUST do the minimum above in order to Referee Games for spring high school season
- New and prospective Referees are encouraged to attend local Referee Intro Clinics (dates TBD)
- There will be in season (high school) training for referees which will be mandatory to attend in order to referee high school Regional Championships and State Championship.
- Current USA Water Polo Refs who wants to Referee high school games, please contact John Rightmyer.

### **USA Water Polo Referee:**

- Register/Join with USA Water Polo online, [www.usawaterpolo.com](http://www.usawaterpolo.com) (existing coach and athlete members will only need to upgrade their membership)
- Go to USAWPR website & register, [www.usawpr.com](http://www.usawpr.com) (choose SW Zone), Get username/password, login
- Go through Rookie Instructions (slide shows, videos, etc.)
- Pass/Complete Rookie Test (have 3 chances to pass test)
- Complete Background check at USAWP website
- After USAWP Registration/Background Check approved, USWPR registration, Complete/Pass Rookie Test, please contact your local Ref Assignor for USA Water Polo events.
  - North Texas (DFW Area): Vern Heimbigner – [vernh24@hotmail.com](mailto:vernh24@hotmail.com)
  - San Antonio-Austin: John Rightmyer- [john.rightmyer@gmail.com](mailto:john.rightmyer@gmail.com)
  - Houston: Richard Smith - [butterflytexas@juno.com](mailto:butterflytexas@juno.com)
- Primary Contact: Southwest Zone Ref, Vince Elizarde- [vince.elizarde@yahoo.com](mailto:vince.elizarde@yahoo.com), 214-952-9437

### **Additional Information – USA Water Polo Referees:**

- For first year USA Water Polo referees, the Southwest Zone will reimburse your USA Water Polo membership dues if you referee a certain number of games. Please contact Vince Elizarde for more info.
- New and prospective Referees are encouraged to attend local Referee Intro Clinics (dates TBD)
- In order to do high school/league games, follow steps above and become a TAWPO member
- Current High School Refs who want to Referee USA Water Polo games, please contact Vince Elizarde.