

Looking for a great opportunity to develop your soft skills, gain some valuable work experience and grow your bank account?



Why you want to be A NSYSA Referee:

- It develops valuable life skills including self-confidence, leadership, and time management.
- It's a great way to earn some part-time \$\$, our most active young referee made over \$2700 last season!
- Flexibility! Unlike most part-time jobs, you can usually pick when and where you want to ref.
- It's an important role requiring commitment and decision-making skills that will impress future employers.
- It's community service work that looks good on resumes, scholarship and post-secondary applications.
- It can earn you important service credits towards high school graduation.

If you are an adult, why pay to go to a gym when you can get paid to exercise?

- It will help you get in better shape.
- It's a great way of staying in the game even if you have stopped playing, coaching, or watching
- It's a way of giving back to the community.

If you are a family, the family that refs together has fun together ...

- It's a great way to spend time together – think of a dad as a Centre Referee and his child as an Assistant Referee, or sons and/or daughters as both Assistants.
- It's something to discuss at the dinner table together and help each other to improve.

Now that you are interested, here are some Myths to consider:

Myth 1: Girls can't be referees.

Fact: Many of our small-sided referees are girls. Not only our top earner young referee last season is a girl, many of our female referees are rated highly by our referee mentors.

Myth 2: You have to be in great shape.

Fact: It helps but you can ref now – you will get in better shape by refereeing.

Myth 3: Coaches and parents are difficult.

Fact: Sometimes it's true, but it gets easier to ignore them with practice.

Myth 4: The rules are complicated.

Fact: There are only 17 laws and the training takes only two days. And you will receive ongoing training throughout the season from our mentoring committee to help you become more confident with each game.

Myth 5: You have to be young.

Fact: Not at all – we have refs starting at every age up to their 50's and 60's.

Now that you are really interested, for further information or to register please contact Patrick Li, NSYSA Referee-in-Chief at patli9@gmail.com.