



# Officials Accelerated Advancement Program



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## What is it?

The accelerated program provides an avenue for a Carolina Region official to receive more training in a shorter amount of time. This program is designed to provide a lot of information and a lot of feedback in hopes for the official to advance quicker and officiate higher level matches.

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## Who is it for?

This program is marketed towards Carolina Region officials that have a background in volleyball and understand the sport. The program is a fast-paced learning environment. It's not for everyone, but for those that are looking to learn and become a better official

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## What is the cost and how long?

There is no cost to apply to be in the program. Accepted applicants will pay a \$150 fee to be in the program for three (3) years. During these three years, they will have multiple opportunities for advanced training. All training from the Carolina Region Officials Division is included in the program fee for candidates.

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## Why 3 years?

The entire program is divided up into three (3) years. The rule book is broken down into three segments and each segment is covered in 1 of the 3 years initial classroom training. The case book is broken down in to segments as well to tie in with the rule book segments. These are covered in the same classroom training noted above. The USA Volleyball Academy modules are all covered over the 3 years in 2 different classroom settings each year.

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## What will the candidates receive?

Free admission to detailed training courses, multiple on-court training sessions, specific module mini-sessions, scorer-proficiency training and mentor/evaluation matches.

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## What are these training courses?

There will be three training courses (Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced). These courses will be offered in the candidates First, Second and Third years, respectively. The course will be a 4-hour course to better prepare the applicant for their on-court training and provide rules/scenarios examples.

All courses are included in the OAAP fee, but attendance is not required.

These courses are open to non-OAAP participants also for a \$20 fee.

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## What kind of on-court training?

The on-court training will be provided at multi-day tournaments. Members of the Region Training team will provide real-match training and feedback. Feedback will not interrupt flow of the match. Post-match feedback will be given after the match has completed. Officials will NOT be compensated for training days but will have the opportunity to be compensated should they work non-training matches.

On-court training is included in the OAAP fee, but attendance is not required for participants if their schedule does not allow. Refunds will not be given for missed training opportunities.



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## What are the module mini-sessions?

The module mini-sessions are specific rule and scenario interpretations. These sessions will be provided on the night before the tournament starts. Approximate time will be 1-2 hours. Expectations are to cover all USAV Academy modules during the 3-year program.

**These mini-sessions are open to non-OAAP officials for a \$10 fee.**

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## Scorer Proficiency Training?

Each official must know how to keep score proficiently. All officials will score multiple matches during the course of the three years to ensure they are proficient. They will be given mid-match score sheet issues to resolve.

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## When do I get my next certification?

While no certification is guaranteed, there will be opportunities to advance their certification each year. Within the three-year program, they will have the opportunity to receive their Regional 2 certification by the end of the program. This will require the applicant to attend most of the training sessions each year. It all depends on how much time and effort the official is willing to put towards their learning.

All upgrade opportunities are performed during the third event of the season, so attendance is required at that event for any official wanting to be considered for an upgraded certification.

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## What are the deadlines?

- Applications must be received no later than November 1st
- Acceptance/Rejection Notification is Nov 15<sup>th</sup> for all applicants
- The program will accept up to eight (8) applicants per season with a max of 24 at any given time in the program.

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## What are the pre-requisites?

- Candidates must complete their annual Carolina Region member registration, clear USAV Background Screen, complete the required SafeSport course annually, submit the Region Independent Contractor Agreement , and complete the annual referee clinics and test prior to participating in the program each season.
- Candidate must also remain in good-standing with the Region.

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Any Questions??

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