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USATT Referee Qualification

Certified Referee Qualification

1. USATT Umpire
2. Payment of \$25 fee
3. Candidate provided a current Tournament Guide and Referee CD
4. 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

Regional Referee Qualification

1. Certified Referee for at least 2 years
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 chief examiner to take exam
6. Payment of \$25 fee
7. Candidate provided an Advanced Referee CD 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.

National Referee Qualification

1. USATT Regional Referee for two years
2. Temporary until Regional Referees are qualified, a USATT Certified Referee for two years.
3. ITTF International Umpire
4. Extensive experience as a referee including experience as a referee at 3 and/or 4 Star tournaments
5. Experience at the national level as a Chief Umpire or Deputy Chief Umpire
6. No exam fee.
7. Candidate provided ITTF Rules Manual and Handbook for Match Officials
8. Nomination by the ORAC
9. Pass a 3 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 written exam at the Nationals, 25 essay questions, 4 points each
 - c. An Oral Exam at the Nationals (subjective evaluation)
 - d. Passing score of 85%

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 or Certified Referee who is International or National Umpire
4. 5 Star – National Referee or International Referee. US Open – International Referee

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