



Coaches and Referees

Coaches participating in Extra should be of the excellent quality. At a minimum, Extra coaches (head coach and assistant coach) must:

- Have a current Volunteer Application on file at the National Support & Training Center;
- Be an AYSO trained coach as specified in these Guidelines;
- Be Safe Haven certified
- Be an active participant in the Region's standard primary program as an instructor, coach or Referee mentor, or other volunteer service the Region determines adequate to fulfill this requirement;
- Be in good standing with the Region, Area and/or Section and AYSO;
- Be approved by the Region board; and
- Be evaluated and renewed each membership year.

Coaches desiring to coach at the age levels must have completed the following minimum training below:

- U10 – U-12 Coach
- U11 – U-12 Coach
- U12 – U-12 Coach
- U13 – Intermediate Coach
- U14 – Intermediate Coach
- U15 – Advanced Coach
- U16 – Advanced Coach

It is strongly recommended that Extra program coaches be certified at least one level above the level he/she is intending to coach (except as set forth above, U-10 coaches *must* be certified at the U-12 level). It is also strongly recommended that coaches have continuing education each year as designed by the Region.

Those wanting to coach must fill in an application and submit it for approval. The Region and/or Area Extra Coach Coordinator will conduct a mandatory Extra coach meeting prior to the start of the Extra season which each coach assigned to an Extra team must attend.