Central Texas Youth Lacrosse Association

How to Become a CTYLA Referee

Overview

- Why become a youth referee?
 - \$\$ for every game
 - Give back to community, mentor youth lacrosse players
 - Leadership opportunity
 - Increase your lacrosse IQ
- Requirements
 - 14yrs old minimum
 - Assertive, leadership skills
 - Attend training in mid to late January
 - Request games, manage your game schedule, referee games
- Game Information
 - Season runs end-Feb thru mid-May
 - Referee games for grades 1st-8th
 - Game fields in Austin area
 - Most games on Saturdays and Sundays
 - Your schedule based on game times/locations you request

How Do I Become a Referee

- Register/Attend training in mid to late January
- Update your contact information on our website (login provided after completion of training)
- Request games
- Confirm your schedule
- Attend games per your schedule
- Feedback any game related questions/concerns to Head Official
- Receive your paycheck

How the Scheduling Process Works

- Scheduling website
 - Login
 - Update contact information
- Getting Games
 - Request games
 - Verify your schedule of assigned games
 - Make game reports as necessary
- Cancelling assignments
 - You may cancel any game assigned to you via our website
 - CTYLA does not allow referees to cancel assignments online after 24hrs before game time

FAQs - General

<u>Question</u>	<u>Answer</u>				
How old do you have to be?	14 years old minimum				
How long does the season last?	Our season normally starts in late February and goes thru early May. We usually have an end of season tournament in mid-May and may have a preseason tournament in mid-February.				
What age group will I referee?	Adult referees (who are HS certified) and Experienced referees should only be requesting Junior and Senior Games. First time referees will be assigned to Bantam and Lightning games only.				
What are the age groups of players in the league?	<u>Grade</u>	Classification			
prayers in the reague:	1/2nd	Bantam			
	3/4th	Lightning			
	5/6th	Junior			
	7/8th	Senior			
How far do I have to travel?	You will have the option to referee games at any of the home field locations of our member teams. Please see our website,				
	www.ctyla.org, and select "Member Associations in our League" to learn more about programs that are part of our league general, we have teams from near San Antonio all the way to the Georgetown/Cedar Park and in-between.				

FAQs - Payment

Question	<u>Answer</u>
How much will I get paid?	Rates vary based on grade level you referee. Adult referees are paid at a slightly higher rate. Rates for the 2014 season were \$40-\$55.
When do I get paid?	Paychecks are issued every two weeks for games you completed.
How do I get my check?	Your paycheck will be mailed to the address you provided

FAQs – Training (1 of 2)

Question	<u>Answer</u>
What happens if I miss the training session?	There may be a make up training session. However, generally if you miss the training session then you will not be eligible to referee in our league.
Do I have to have previous lacrosse experience?	No previous lacrosse experience is required. However, it helps make the transition to first time referee easier.
What skills will help me be successful?	Being an official requires that you are able to lead and be in a position of authority even if those you are leading are older or louder than you. Conditioning: You must be in shape to meet the demands of the game, in terms of speed and endurance. You can't make the right calls if you can't get into position to make them, or if physical strain is affecting your decision making ability. Rules knowledge: It can take years to fully understand the rules. Continual review of the rules as an official will help you to develop more quickly. Mechanics: Officials need to know more than the rules: they also need to know where to go on the field and what their responsibilities are. Game management: There are many times that officials can keep the game running smoothly without using their flag and whistle. Game management techniques are discussed throughout this manual; master them, and you'll find that officiating becomes much easier. Communication: Communication is a key aspect of game management. Communicate with your partner, the coaches, and the bench personnel in a clear and efficient manner. Conduct: Demonstrate the appropriate demeanor; treat your partner, the table personnel, athletes, and coaches with the respect that you desire to receive. Aloofness, indifference, boredom, and disdain are worse behaviors than nervousness; strive to be engaged at all times. Confidence: Confidence comes from preparation and experience. You must know the rules, interpretations and mechanics in order to be prepared for any situation. Focus: Concentrate on what you are doing, and do not lose your focus on the game. Block out distractions and move on to the next situation that is happening in front of you. Don't let thinking about a call you might have missed interfere with getting the next call right. Consistency: Be the same at both ends of the field, and try to complement your partner by calling foulsat the same threshold. Consistency: Be the same at both ends of the field, and try to complement your partner by calling fou

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Do I have to buy my own	Yes. Your uniform red					
uniform?	Shirt	Required				
	Black pants/shorts	Required				
	Black socks	Required				
	Whistle	Required				
	Penalty Flag (recommend 2)	Required				
	Hat	Optional				
	Black shoes	Optional				
	Belt	Optional				
How much does the referee training session cost?	In 2014, the cost was \$30. This is used to cover the cost of training materials and usage of the training facility.					
What happens if I make a mistake or miss a call?	All referees make mistakes, even seasoned referees. After your game is over, contact your lead official and ask questions to clarify or consult the official rule book to learn more about the proper call.					
Where can I find a rule	2013-2014 NCAA Rule book					
book?	http://www.laxpower.com/rulebooks/Mens_Rules_2013-2014.pdf					
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	2013-14 NCAA					
	L	acrosse Rules.pdf				
When and where is the referee training?	Referee training usually occurs at the end of January or early February. The training session is generally scheduled on a Saturday and will last for about 7 hours. Training session location in Austin.					
Do I have to attend the training to become a first time referee?	Yes.					
I have never refereed before, how do I learn more after training is over	Georgia Lacrosse Officials Association - has a YouTube channel with lots of training videos that are helpful. www.galaxref.com https://www.youtube.com/user/GLOAWebmaster We will try to match an adult HS certified ref with a HS player ref to help with mentoring					
What is the most important job of the referee?	You are on the field to do a job and that job is to keep the game SAFE and FAIR. Safety is the priority.					

FAQs – Getting Games

Question	<u>Answer</u>		
How do I sign up for games?	Assignments for games are managed in the same website we use to schedule the games. Please visit our home page, www.ctyla.org , and select "Game Schedules" to be directed to our game scheduling website.		
How many games can I referee?	We try to assign 2 games per weekend. Sometimes you may get more or less.		
How do I know if games have been assigned to me?	Check your email. Notifications are sent from our scheduling website to the email address you provided. You can also login using the user/password that was provided to you and check to see what games are assigned to you.		
What if I need to cancel my assignment?	You can cancel any games assigned to you (via our website) if it is more than 24hrs before the game start time.		
Can I get more than one game at the same field?	You can request as many games at the same field as you would like as long as you are qualified/approved to referee those games.		
How will I know if my game was cancelled?	 If a game is cancelled less than 24 hours before your scheduled game time the home team coach will contact you and let you know the game was cancelled. If you don't get proper notification and show up to a field and there is no game, then the scheduled teams and programs will be still responsible for payment to the refs. If the game is cancelled more than 24hours before your scheduled game time then you will be notified via email. If your game is cancelled more than 24hrs before the scheduled start time then no payment will be issued to you. 		
Can I sign up for more than one game at the same time but at different locations?	Yes. But after assignments are made, check your schedule to ensure you are not double booked for a game or booked at fields too far apart to make a game at another field.		
lattended the training last year. Do I have to attend it again this year?	Yes. All referees, regardless of experience must attend training. There are rules and waivers that are specific to our league that will be reviewed during the training session.		
What do I have to do to get more game assignments?	Priority will be given to those that have good working habits (show up on time, report any concerns to your head official, you are a professional on the field). Positive feedback from our coaches will also influence assignments.		
If I sign up for multiple games, do I have to show up to all of them	CTYLA uses "Request-Confirm" mode for game assignments. That means you request any games you would like to referee and then games will be assigned to you based on the games you requested. If a game you requested is assigned to another referee then you will receive a notice that your request was declined		
What is the difference between "Referee 1" and Referee 2"? Should I request both of those for a single game?	Bantam games will only have one referee assigned so only 1 referee selection will be available for each Bantam game. However, for games where there are two referees assigned, you will have the option to select "I'd Like it" for Referee 1 and for Referee 2. Selecting one or the other does not matter. In fact, you can select both and it will make it easier for us when we make referee assignments.		

BACKUP

Scheduling Website Overview

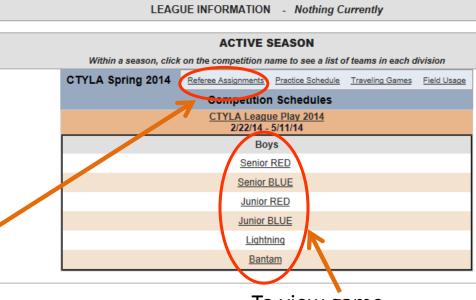


Select "Log In" to get access to referee specific menu items



To access scheduling website, visit www.ctyla.org – select "Game Schedules"

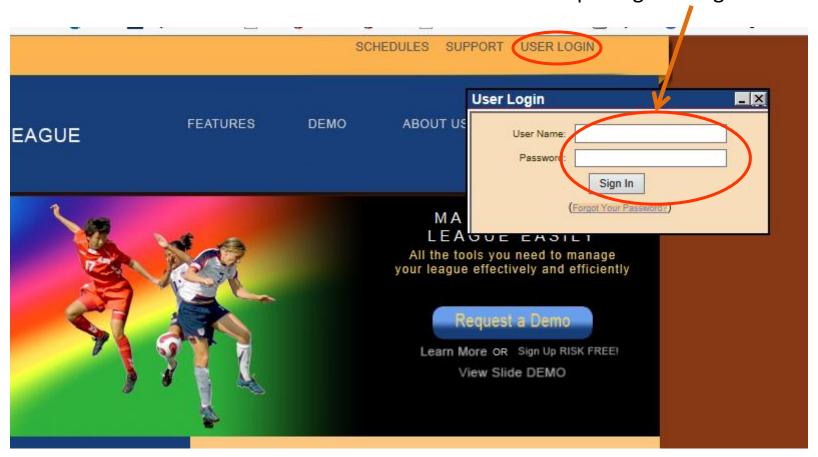
To view game referees assigned to games



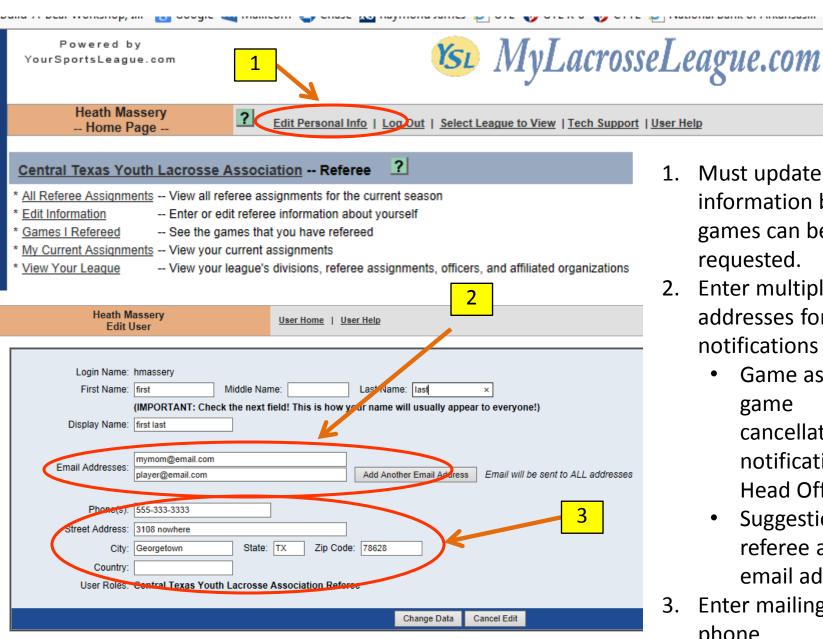
To view game schedules per division

Logging In

User name/password provided after completing training session

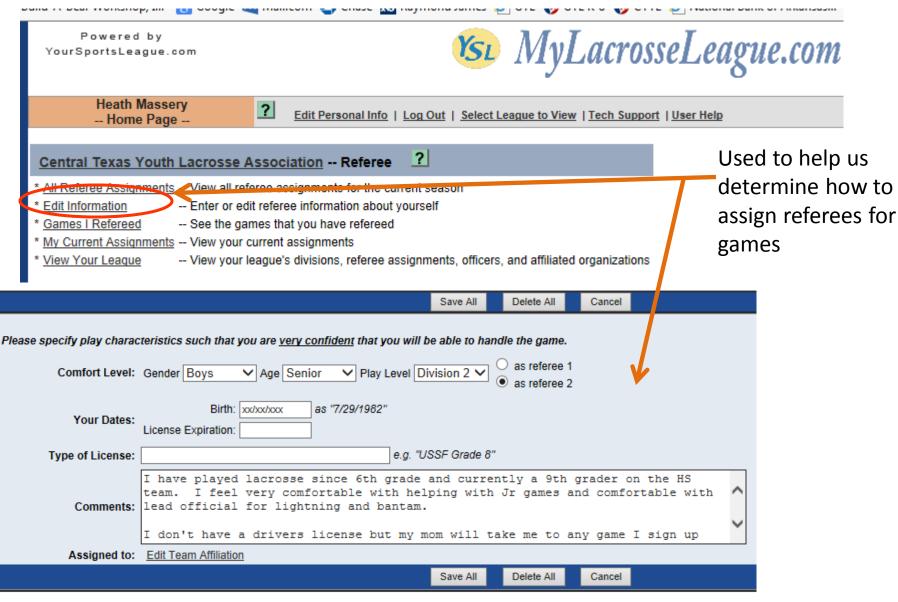


Updating Contact Information

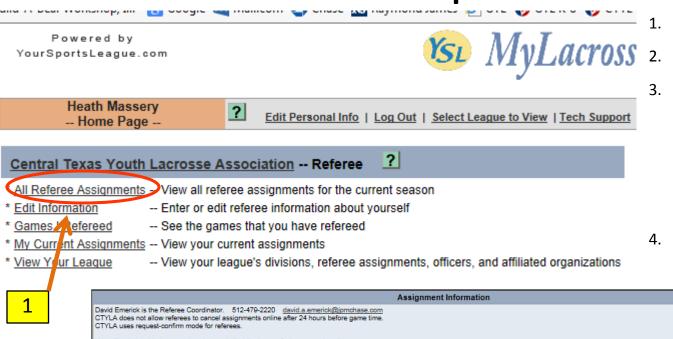


- Must update contact information before games can be requested.
- Enter multiple email addresses for notifications
 - Game assignments, game cancellations, notifications from **Head Official**
 - Suggestion: Add referee and parent email address
- Enter mailing address, phone

Tell Us About Yourself



How to Request Games



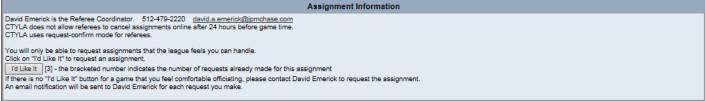
- Select "All Referee Assignments" to view available dates for games
- Select date to see games schedule for that day
- Select "I'd Like It" for any games vou would like to be considered for
 - Request as many times/locations as you would like (even if they overlap)
 - Number in brackets [x] indicates number of requests received
- If you previously requested games, your request will show as "CancelRequest"

Referee 2

I'd Like It

I'd Like It

CancelRequest





Managing Your Game Schedule

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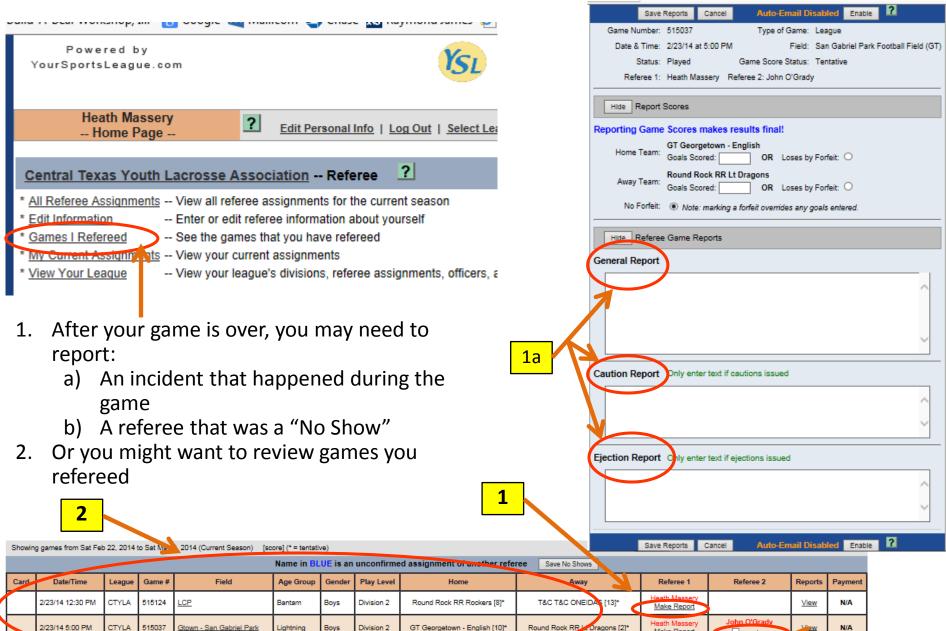
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Central Texas Youth Lacrosse Association -- Referee

- All Referee Assignments -- View all referee assignments for the current season
- Edit Information
- -- Enter or edit referee information about vourself
- Games I Refereed
- -- See the games that you have refereed
- My Current Assignments View your current assignments
- View your league's divisions, referee assignments, officers, and affiliated organizations
 - 1. Select "Current Assignments" to view your game assignments
 - Will also list any games you request but have not yet been assigned to you
 - Cancel requested games or cancel games that have been assigned to you
 - "Cancel Request" you requested a game but it has not yet been assigned to you
 - "Cancel" this game has been assigned to you. Select button to reject assignment (button not available if you are within 24hrs of the scheduled game time)

Central Texas Youth Lacrosse Association Name in BLUE is an unconfirmed assignment of another referee Save No Shows Referee 2 Date/Time Game # Field Age Group Gender Play Level Referee 1 Reports Payment Home 5/3/14 11:00 AM CTYLA CARD 522905 Lightning Boys Division 2 Round Rock RR Lt Raiders Round Rock RR Lt Dragons Heath Massery Colton Eskew N/A 5/4/14 1:00 PM CTYLA 515092 Regents Main Field Division 2 Lightning Regents Knights Lightning 3/4 Blue SV SV Lightning Alexander St. Onge-Cooper Cancel Request Heath Massery CARD 5/4/14 1:00 PM CTYLA 514948 LCP Division 2 Round Rock RR Jr Raiders St. Andrew's St Andrews 5-8 Blue/White Garrett Clark N/A Junior Boys Cancel CARD 5/4/14 3:00 PM 516879 LCP Division 2 Round Rock RR Jr Dragons NWAYLA Trojans Jr B Garrett Clark Heath Massery Heath Massery 5/9/14 (time TBD) CTYLA 524609 TBD Division 1 TBD TBD: Cancel Request Cancel Request

After Game Activities



Make Report

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