



**ENGLAND
FOOTBALL**

Introduction to Refereeing

Norfolk County Football Association

AGENDA

- *Introduction*
- *Powers & responsibilities of a Club referee*
- *The FA Referee course*
- *The online Guide to The Laws of the Game*
- *Refereeing Support*
- *Open Forum - Refereeing Q&A*



Introductions



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POWERS & RESPONSIBILITIES OF A CLUB REFEREE

Club Referee

- *SCORY Rule 23(b) – "where an official referee isn't appointed, the agreed individual has the full powers, status and authority of a registered referee"*
- *FA Handbook Reg 13 – "Referees must submit a report to the relevant Affiliated Association within two days of the Match (excluding Sundays) stating the cautionable, sending-off offences and/or extraordinary incidents"*
- *Review of the Refereeing pages on Norfolk FA.Com currently under review*
- *Youth referees can only officiate age groups below their current age, for example:*
 - *16 yr old can referee U15s & below*
 - *14 yr old can referee U13s & below*



Responsibilities

The referee:

- *enforces the Laws of the Game*
- *controls the match in cooperation with the other match officials*
- *acts as timekeeper*
- *keeps a record of the match and provides the appropriate authorities with a match report, including information on disciplinary action and any other incidents that occurred before, during or after the match*
- *supervises and/or indicates the restart of play*
- *Player Safety*





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THE FA REFEREES COURSE

The FA Referees Course

- *Usually: Friday 6pm – 9pm & Sunday 9am – 5pm*
- *£125 Includes all training modules, Equipment and 1st Season Referee Registration.*
- *Covers Mini Soccer, 9v9 and 11v11*

- *To qualify: referee 5 Matches*

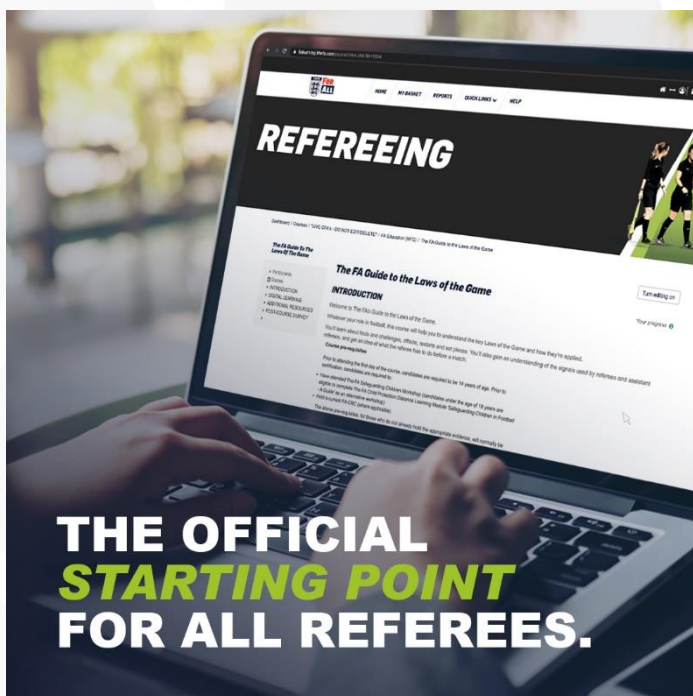







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**ONLINE GUIDE TO
THE LAWS OF THE GAME**

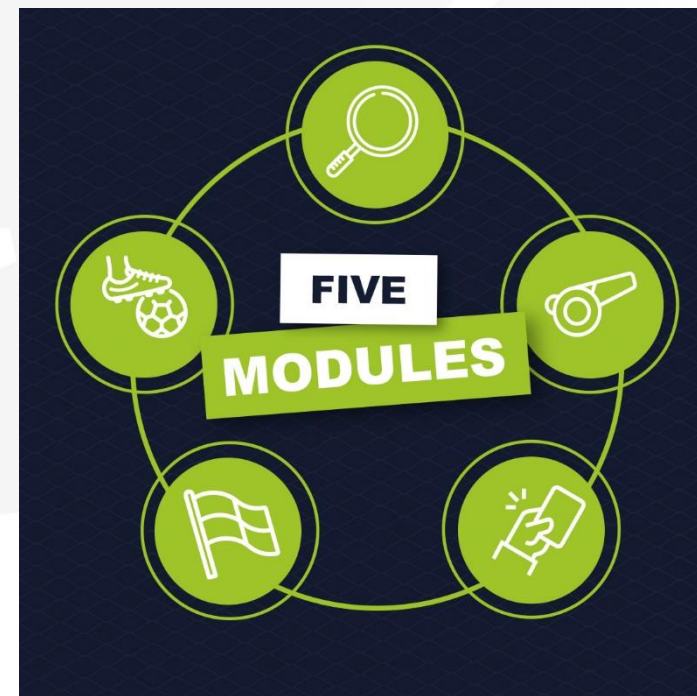
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KEY FEATURES

Age: 14+		Who it's for: Open to all
Price: Free		Duration: Two hours
Sign Up:		

bit.ly/FALawsOfTheGame



Prior to the course the Online Guide to the Laws of the Game and the appropriate online safeguarding course must be completed



5 Modules

- **Module 1:** *Before the Match-* covers the referee's pre-match responsibilities.
- **Module 2:** *Signals and Communication of Referees and Assistant Referees.*
- **Module 3:** *Getting it Right - deals with foul challenges, violent conduct, handball, unsporting behaviour, DOGSO offences and advantage.*
- **Module 4:** *Offside.*
- **Module 5:** *Managing Restarts and Set-Pieces-* covers restarts and set-pieces, including goal kicks, corner kicks, throw-ins, free kicks and penalty kicks.





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SUPPORT

County FA Support for Referees

Support for any Referee...

- *RDO support & guidance*
- *Designated Safeguarding Officer*
- *Mental Health Champion*
- *Disciplinary investigation support*
- *NCYFL support*
- *U18 Armbands*

After Attending a Course...

- *Post Course Learner Resource*
- *Support with finding matches*
- *Referee Engagement Group*
- *Referee Coach*
- *Virtual Referee Mentor*
- *Course Facebook Group*
- *Online Follow up evening*
- *Medical ID card*
- *Regular Email Contact*





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OPEN FORUM- REFEREEING Q&A

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For further information on all things Refereeing, and for course bookings, visit WWW.NorfolkFA.Com/Referees





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