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## FSR REFEREE ACADEMY **2011-12** CALENDAR OF EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

AUGUST until DECEMBER, 2011:

1. Look for announcements of, and plan to attend in your Area, a special “Academy 2012 re-certification clinic” for all Academy referees who were not able to attend the Academy State-Select Clinic, just recently held at Stetson University. To attend this you must REGISTER on-line ([www.fsr-inc.com](http://www.fsr-inc.com)) for this (regular 2012 re-certification) event; pay for your USSF/FSR 2012 re-certification, as is normal; and do the required FSR on-line “re-cert” training module BEFORE attending. At the clinic you will take the required fitness test and the written test; BUT, IN ADDITION, you will be provided some field training by senior Academy referees who were at the Academy State-Select Clinic. **Anyone with questions, please contact your Academy Area Director.**

### NOTE:

Area “A” The pre-qualifying fitness will be held on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 9 to 11 AM, at American Heritage High School, Plantation. This is by invitation only, for active Academy referees.

Area “B” Pre-fitness event is scheduled for December 10<sup>th</sup>, to be part of the 7-6-5 re-cert; location to be determined and announced.

Area “C” . Fitness Pre-qualifier scheduled and posted on LeagueGM Dec 10<sup>th</sup> at 10am at Clearwater Central Catholic High School

Area “D” Pre-fitness is set for Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, at the University of West Florida

2. ALL ACADEMY referee **upgrades** SHOULD be completed by the end of OCTOBER, otherwise you may not be invited to events this year (2011) after that, such as the Disney Showcase in December, as well as early opportunities in 2012.

3. Please check with your Academy Area Directors for any tournaments in your Area, between now and the end of December, this year.

**( MANDATORY, for 2012)**

**AREA “FITNESS QUALIFIER” EVENTS (ACADEMY REQUIREMENT)**

(See above schedules)

**November, December, 2011**

Academy referees MUST pass the FIFA “interval” fitness test, which will offered **ONCE in each AREA, during one of the months of NOVEMBER-DECEMBER, 2011 (see above)**. There will be NO such fitness test offered in January, 2012. **To be ELIGIBLE to be INVITED to the Referee Training Seminar (RTS), or “pro” clinic, which will be scheduled during February, 2012, one must have ATTENDED and PASSED this Academy “Qualifier” fitness event.** There will be no charge to attend this fitness test, but you must go on-line to REGISTER for this event. You are encouraged to find a group of Academy referees who meet regularly for their fitness training. Anyone with questions about training opportunities, or this “Qualifying” event, please contact your Academy Area Director.

**DECEMBER, 2011**

Area “C” tournament: Super-Y North American Finals Dec 2-6 Tampa Florida

Area “C” event: Major Beach Soccer National Championships, Clearwater FL Dec 17 and 18. FIFA is putting on a Coaching Instruction and Referee Instruction. Starts Dec 14 ; culminates in the Finals. Referees interested should contact Mike Mekelburg about costs. Attendees could work the Finals.

End of December: Academy participation at Disney Showcase tournament

**At the end of this calendar year, the Academy Area Directors will be submitting referee names to the SRA/SYRA, to be recommended to FYSA; FSAA; and USSF, for game and tournament opportunities during 2012. Academy referees who wish to be included on this list, must have completed all their upgrade, re-certification and fitness training requirements by this time, AS WELL AS being recommended by the Academy Area Directors.**

**2012**

- JANUARY 13-16, 2012: **FSSA (adult) Classic Tournament** (Auburndale)  
NOTE: This is a HIGH-PRIORITY ACADEMY TOURNAMENT.  
**Assessments, at no cost to the referees, will be available.**

**February:**

- **RTS Clinic (Orlando, TBA, by invitation only;** Federation will announce date)

Referees must **attend this clinic and pass the fitness running test**, if they wish to be assigned to higher level; professional; and Federation Developmental games during 2012.

Academy referees are EXPECTED to make themselves AVAILABLE, and to PARTICIPATE in the local FYSA tournaments that lead to the FYSA President's Cup. Please refer to the FYSA 2012 schedule, and block those dates in your referee calendar.

NOTE: This is a particularly good time for younger, Grade 8 referees (Academy "candidates") to be observed and mentored by Academy staff and senior referees.

March:

- FYSA tournaments leading to the FYSA President's Cup (early April, Auburndale). Great time for Grade 8's to work games; be seen!
- March 31-April 1st: FYSA Regional Cup Finals

April:

**FYSA President's Cup**

- **April 14-15: FYSA State Cup 2<sup>nd</sup> Round**
- April 21-22, 2012 : FYSA Presidents Cup (Auburndale)  
This is one of FYSA's "showcase" tournaments, with great opportunities for young and less-experienced Academy referees to be recommended to work as Assistant Referees, by their Academy Area Directors
- April 28-29<sup>th</sup>: FYSA State Cup Round of 16

These are higher level, more competitive games, which lead to the FYSA State Cup.

May:

- **FSSA (adult) State Cup**, (Auburndale) (TBA)
- May 19-20: **(FYSA) State Cup Final Four (U13 –U18)**, Auburndale

It is at THIS event, that FSR and FYSA select the dozen or so referees who will represent FLORIDA at the Region III, Southern Regional Tournament, which will be in South Carolina in 2012.

- May 26-27th: (FYSA) State Cup Final Four (U19), Auburndale

June:

- June ??: ODP Training and FSR (Academy) (8>7) Upgrade Clinic

(NOTE: this event will include an FSR Grade 8 > 7, Upgrade clinic. This to benefit Academy-recommended Grade 8 referees who wish to be invited to attend the State-Select clinic in 2011.

- June ??: Reg III Presidents Cup  
Referees for this tournament are selected at FYSA State Cup.
- June ??: Southern Regionals, South Carolina (2012)  
Referees for this tournament are selected at FYSA State Cup, and these referees must have participated in FYSA local and regional tournament events since the previous February.

#### July

- July ??: FSR Academy State-Select Clinic (Location to be announced)
- July ??: US Youth Soccer National Championships

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