

The Ultimate Tennis Experience Begins With Us....

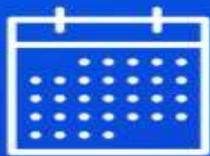
Welcome to the brave world of tennis officiating! – 2026 CTDW



Officiating is calling



Become a USTA Official and be an ambassador for the sport you love!



Enjoy a flexible schedule



Earn extra money



Attend exciting events



Gain professional skills



Contribute to the sport & your community

Scan the QR code to start your journey as a USTA official.



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Who Are Officials?

We are people who love the sport of tennis and want to give back to the game in a meaningful manner....



WE ARE USTA OFFICIALS

THE ULTIMATE TENNIS EXPERIENCE BEGINS WITH US

WE DON'T JUST MAKE CALLS

WE MAKE OUR SPORT FUN AND FAIR

WE DON'T JUST OVERSEE THE GAME

WE ARE AMBASSADORS FOR THE SPORT

WE TEACH
LEARN
LISTEN
LEAD

OUR
DIVERSITY
GIVES US
STRENGTH

OUR
MISSION
UNITES
US ALL

SET THE STAGE
FOR TENNIS
AT ITS BEST





Officials ensure fair play, help tournaments run smoothly, and teach the rules of the game and their implementation.

Whichever role we are serving, an official plays an integral role at all levels from local community events, professional events and collegiate events by ensuring fair play and sportsmanship.







New Friends.....



USTA Georgia Officials Recognition – 2025

Celebrating a Remarkable Milestone: Robert Sasseville – 50 Years of Tennis Officiating
His dedication and impact have shaped the officiating community in Georgia and beyond.

Top Officials – Days Worked On Court (2025)



Morris Smulevitz – 85 days



Adebola Olagbegi – 83 days



Linda Edmonds – 72 days

Richard Bailey – 68 days

Bernard Cameron – 61 days

Patti Roberts – 60 days

Alana Cameron – 58 days

Tatia Neal – 57 days

Sharon Meadows – 54 days

Crystal Dodds – 52 days

Officiating Disciplines

Roving Officials

Chair Umpires

Line Umpires

Referees

Chief Umpires



**So how do I
get started?**



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Step 1

Create an OfficialsFirst Account



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Step 3

Get Safe Play Approved!

OfficialsFirst

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LOGIN TO YOUR USTA OFFICIATING ACCOUNT

Keep me logged in

LOGIN

REGISTER

[I forgot my password](#)

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Step 2

Complete the Introduction to Officiating Module

- Rules and Regulations Course
- Level 1 and Level 2 Roving Umpire Courses



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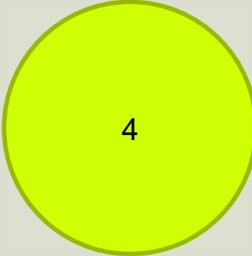
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Step 4

Be a USTA Member... of course. 😊

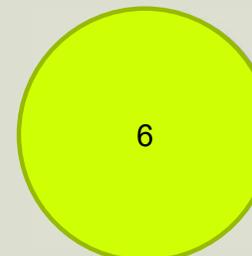
Training Checklist AS OF DECEMBER 15, 2022

The topics listed below are examples of various tasks and themes that a Prospect should gain experience in during their shadowing/training period. These are the same topics that a Prospect will be asked to either explain or demonstrate prior to final certification sign-off by the USTA Officiating Department. When you feel like you have gained the necessary experience or knowledge in a topic, place a checkmark in the column on the right. This will help you to track your progress during your shadowing, training, or studying.

Each Prospect should be able to demonstrate or explain all areas found in the chart below:

Preparation	The proper USTA uniform guidelines	
	Proper on-court equipment for a Roving Umpire	
Court & Equipment Set-Up	Where singles sticks are placed and how to check the net	
	The process and reason for checking the balls	
Pre-Match	The pre-match conference	
Timing	The time between points, changeovers, sets and rest periods	
	The difference between Delay and a Time Violation	
	Correct verbiage	
Medical Timeout Procedures	Procedures for Trainer present vs. No Trainer present	
	The procedures for a bleeding timeout	
Lets	When lets can be called and who may call them	
The Code	Can explain the principles and purpose of The Code	
Code Violations	Code violations with correct verbiage	
	Examples and explanations of categories (i.e. ball abuse, racket abuse, verbal obscenity etc.)	
Scoring Disputes	The three methods of resolving scoring disputes	
Foot Faults	What constitutes a Foot Fault on the various lines and how to call one	
Hindrance	The difference between intentional or unintentional hindrance	
	What information needs to be relayed to a replacement Official	
	How to handle a difficult situation (i.e. an irate parent)	
Professionalism	How to answer players' questions efficiently and professionally (i.e. player upset with an Official's call)	
	Explain the purpose of the USTA Officials Code of Conduct and the general expectations of an Official	
Post-Match	Process for reporting code violations for the purpose of assessing Suspension Points	

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Step 6

On-court shadowing

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Parents

Create an account for your child and help them find play opportunities. Keep track of their growth and progress in tennis.

GET STARTED

Tennis Players

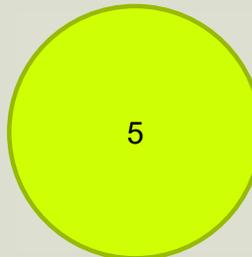
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GET STARTED

Teacher, Organizers, and Facility Operators

Grow your tennis business with digital tools and resources to attract more players and keep them coming back.

GET STARTED



Step 5

Good Eyesight!
20/20 corrected is the minimum!



Newly certified Officials will receive a welcome gift in the mail from the USTA Officiating Department.

This gift includes on-court supplies, such as a tape measure, Friend at Court, flipping coin, pen, pocket notebook, as well as a uniform polo and hat.



Officiating is calling!

- Now through June 30, 2025, all newly certified officials are eligible to receive a \$250 sign-on bonus after becoming certified and working their first tournament.
- Existing officials will receive \$50 for each referral of those who work as an official at their first tournament.

**Click the link in the comments
to become a USTA official today!**



Where Can I Find Officiating Opportunities?

Junior and Adult Tournaments

State High School Championships

District and Sectional Events

Collegiate Matches (ITA)

National Championships (Adult/Junior)

USTA Pro Circuit Events



Please note that a USTA official is an independent contractor. The USTA only provides training and certification. |

Georgia had 45 newly certified officials in 2025!



**Let's take a look at some
video footage scenarios...**

What's your call?

OK, time to test your rules knowledge!

Find a partner & have one of you open up:

kahoot.it

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