

Hey Folks,

Hope this note finds you well. I'll get right to the point:

Regarding our annual pre-season referee clinics, which are mandatory each season, we are about 95% certain that we will NOT hold in-person clinics this year. Assuming we don't, plan for online virtual meetings instead. They'll still be mandatory, but you'll be able to "attend" from the comforts of home. 😊

A few notes:

#1 - PLEASE hold any clinic questions for the time being because I don't have all the answers yet -- actually, I don't have ANY answers yet.

#2 - If we go online, there WILL be a nominal charge because we still need to pay for the video conference service and the clinicians. I'm guessing somewhere around \$5-\$10 (probably the lower end of that scale) compared to \$15 for in-person clinics where expenses are higher.

#3 - If we do a 90-minute or 2-hr clinic online, expect to also complete some supplemental modules in the USAV Academy.

#4 - Our clinics are traditionally on weekends. With the virtual model, we may be able to do some weeknight clinics as well.

#5 - NEW REFEREE PROGRAM. Josh Hall and I are still working on this, but we fully expect that we'll need to do their clinics online as well -- maybe a series of 1-hour segments over the course of a few weeks?? Newbies will still need to complete an on-court training session once we can get in the gyms.

So as of right now, nothing is firm, but we want to be prepared if online is the best option. I'd suggest you still complete your online clinic registration as if we'll be meeting in person. If we go online instead, we'll have a different sign-up process for that.

So, hang tight -- I'll share more when I have more to share. 😊
For now, our mantra is "be patient, flexible, and understanding."

Take care - wear your mask - wash your hands - be kind out there!

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