

Referees,

Here are the results of the survey I sent out on July 11:

First, 365 out of 515 referees responded - those are GREAT results! Thank you. NOTE: If you answered NO to the first question below, you did not have the option to answer the remaining questions. 319 referees answered YES, so the stats for questions 2-8 are based on 319 respondents.

Q1 - Will you be comfortable officiating USAV juniors' tournaments during the upcoming 2020-2021 season (beginning in December/January)?
88% YES

Q2 - If required, are you willing to submit to a temperature check (or similar health check) upon arrival at a facility before you can begin officiating? 98% YES

Q3 - If you have to wear a mask while officiating, are you comfortable doing so? 80% YES

Q4 - Are you willing to officiate by yourself WITHOUT a work team (no R2, line judges, or scoring crew)? 88% YES

Q5 - If necessary, are you comfortable keeping a flip score on the ref stand? 90% YES

Q6 - If necessary, are you willing to purchase a hand-held whistle to use in place of a standard whistle? 92% YES

Q7 - Do you already own a hand-held whistle? 74% NO

Q8 - If you are a high school or collegiate official, do you currently plan to officiate this fall? (NOTE: 290 of 319 respondents work high school and/or collegiate ball, so only their responses were collected.)
87% YES

Some of you also shared additional comments at the end of the survey, which we appreciate. We'll probably do a similar survey as we get closer to the start of the USAV season.

Thank you!

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