

Referees -

Starting this weekend (April 9-10), you will see that OVR Junior National and National referees may be wearing the new BLUE officiating shirt that you've seen in the NCAA women's post-season, among other places.

For the remainder of this season, ONLY national-level referees will be wearing the blue shirts. Regional, Provisional and Jr Regional referees will wear our standard white shirt.

After this season concludes, we will make decisions about how the new uniform shirts will be fully implemented in the OVR, and we'll order a supply of those shirts. A gray version is already available, and it is possible that a new white shirt may be an option in the future as well.

There's no need to worry about ordering new shirts at this point in the season. The standard white shirt is our default and will continue to be the default at least through the 2016-2017 season.

The blue shirts look sharp! They'll draw attention to our top referees, so keep an eye on those folks. They're our mentors and trainers, and they should be setting great examples as professional referees.

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