

Refereeing 101 (and 404)

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Head Referee Requirements

- Age requirements
 - 16 for VIQC
 - 20 for VRC
- Certification requirements
 - Referees **MUST** be certified ahead of the event
 - *NEW THIS YEAR*: this is registered in the Robot Events portal (and RECF staff checks for this!)
- General requirements
 - Cannot be the Event Partner
 - Must be an “impartial” adult

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referee do?

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Communication.

Referee decisions

- Referee decisions are final
- Once students leave the field, they lose their right to appeal
- No video evidence can be presented or reviewed

G1/Code of Conduct in Indiana

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