**Provincial Accelerate Referee Training Programme 2024/2025**

**Online Introduction Evening - Webinar**

Duration: 1 hour When: Evening 8.30pm **Thursday 8th August**

* Introduction to program
* Expectations of the Referee
* Structure of programmes
* What is expected from participants?
* Logging on and using webinars
* Explain Yo-Yo test and Fitness requirements

*Post Introduction, Referees must:*

* *Complete the online rule test prior to Module 1, must get 80%*

**Module 1 (face to face in provinces) Physical**

Duration: 1 ½ hours When: Evening 7-8.30pm **From 19th August - 1st September**

* Welcome
* Why do you referee?
* Physical Fitness
* Rules Part 1
* Reflective Journal Learning
* Complete Yo-Yo fitness assessment

*Post Module 1, Referees must:*

* *Submit training planning and proof of 4 sessions before module 2*
* *Fill in reflective journal*

**Game 1 Assessment**  **September/October/November**

* Referee at Competitions (Voluntary Day and Compulsory)
* These can be School Games/Province Club Games
* Gaelic4Mothers&Others National Festival - 7th September 2024
* Linesperson at the Provincial club championship

*(You must referee minimum 2 matches in your county before Module 2 and include report cards)*

**Module 2 (ONLINE) Technical**

Duration: 1 ½ hours When: Evening 7-8.30pm **Thursday 26th September 2024**

* Rules Part 1
* Application of the Rules – Decision Making (video based)
* Rules Part 2
* Signals (video and theory)

*Post Module 2, Referees must:*

* *referee minimum of 3 matches in their county and submit copy of report cards*
* *Fill in reflective journal*

**Module 3 (ONLINE) Mental**

Duration: 2 hours When: Evening 7-9pm **Monday 18th November 2024**

* Communication Skills
* Conflict Management (scenario based)
* Report Writing
* Nutrition and Hydration

*Post Module 3, Referees must:*

* *referee minimum 2 matches in their county before Module 4 and include report cards*
* *Send in proof of Safeguarding and garda vetting*
* *Complete online conflict scenarios*

**Module 4 PROVINCIAL Pre-League Referee Day Face to Face**

Duration: 5 hours When: Saturday 10-3pm **January/Feb 2025 TBC**

* Rules Assessment
* Fitness Assessment
* Introduction to ‘Buddy System’
* Topics for all National Referees

**Game 2 Assessment** **February/** **March/ April 2025**

* Assessment at u14/u16/schools/blitz Fixtures (Compulsory)

**Module 5 Provincial Pre-Championship Referee Day**

Duration: 5 hours  **April TBC 2025**

* Feedback from assessments
* Preparation for Championship
* Fitness and Rules Assessment for Sign Off
* Questions and Answers

**Module 6 (ONLINE) Review Performance and Provincial Actvitiy**

Duration: 1 hours **May/June 2025**

* Assessor reports
* Review games on video
* Rules

*Post Module 6, Referees must:*

* *Reflect on your games to date and self-evaluate*
* *Set goals for the next 12 months*

**Key Notes:**

* Referees may be cut from this panel at any time during the programme
* Participants must pass all requirements of the programme to progress to the provincial Panel
* There is no payment or expenses for participating on the Accelerate Programme. This is at the referee’s expense
* Our aim is to progress all referees but this can only be achieved through full commitment from everyone involved
* Please Note: Attendance at all modules is MANDATORY. Non-attendance at modules will lead to expulsion from the programme and some of these modules will be conducted online