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## EKU Referee Certification Programme

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With the aim of improving the quality and integrity of Kabaddi matches in England and the UK, England Kabaddi Union (EKU) will be organising a referee certification programme. Individuals who complete this programme will be able to referee at Kabaddi matches as certified referees endorsed by the EKU.

### Why you should consider becoming an EKU certified referee

- Opportunity to referee at Kabaddi events across the UK;
- Ability to contribute to the promotion and growth of Kabaddi across the UK;
- Gain experience in a challenging sporting environment.

### Exam format

The programme will consist of two stages:

- **Stage 1: Theory exam**
  - Candidates must pass a theory exam in order to start Stage 2.
  - The theory exam will be accompanied by a 1 hour Referee training module.
  - The curriculum for the test will be the latest version of the EKU Official Kabaddi Rules: [www.Englandkabaddi.com/rules](http://www.Englandkabaddi.com/rules)
- **Stage 2: Practical experience**
  - Candidates who have passed their theory exam must complete 10 hours of refereeing under the supervision of certified EKU Referees.
  - Upon completing 10 hours of refereeing as specified above, certified candidates will receive their Referee certification.

### When is the next exam?

- The next theory exam will tentatively be held on **09 September 2023 at 2 - 4 pm.**
- Final details will be confirmed shortly.

### Eligibility criteria

- Candidates must be at least 18 years old.
- Candidates must have at least 2 years of Kabaddi playing experience in the UK.

## Notes

- A Referee certification is valid for **3 years**.
- An annual fee of **£10 per year** shall be payable in order for the certification to remain valid. This fee is subject to change on an annual basis.
- ECU certified referees shall **not** referee matches / tournaments outside the ECU certification program and they must qualify the course. If they do referee outside the ECU certification program, the ECU may hold them **ineligible** to represent England as part of the ECU team and their referee certification may be revoked.

*EKU reserves the right to conduct regular performance reviews for certified referees. ECU reserves the right to revoke a candidate's participation and/or qualification for breach of any of ECU's policies or any applicable laws, as the case may be. Visit [www.Englandkabaddi.com/legal](http://www.Englandkabaddi.com/legal).*