

to improving the standard of refereeing and marking in the Oceania Region, in addition to promoting a greater knowledge of the Rules of both Singles and Doubles Squash.

The Oceania Squash Federation is committed

OSF Refereeing Website

http://www.oceaniasquash.org/programmes/referees.cfm

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Programmes to achieve greater knowledge of the Rules, and of refereeing and marking, have been implemented by the OSF Referees and Rules Committee.

- Educational and training courses, including Video Rules Presentations
- Theory Examinations
- Practical assessment of Marking and Refereeing

These are run in conjunction with OSF events with emphasis on Oceania Championships and Pacific Games

Recommended

The Australian Sports Commission's Survival Guide for Officials, which includes topics below, and can be found at: http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/resources/officials/tools

- Managing Conflict
- Communicating with Participants and Coaches
- What is expected of an Official
- Dealing with abuse
- Safety & Ethics Safety and Risk Management for Officials

DOUBLES

World Squash Federation Doubles Rules link http://www.worldsquash.org/ws/rules/rules-ofsquash-2

Squash Australia Doubles Rules Exam Available from the Convenor

13. Oceania (Doubles) Rules Knowledge Accredited

For Oceania countries outside Australia and New Zealand. The initial step for progression to Doubles marking and refereeing accreditation, and is examined only by candidates passing the (Squash Australia) Doubles Squash Rules Examination.

14. Oceania Doubles Marker

For Oceania countries outside Australia and New Zealand. Introductory level to Doubles officiating to encourage candidates to progress to full Oceania Doubles refereeing accreditation. Candidates must pass 2 marking assessments on matches at any level.

15. Doubles Referee - Australia and New Zealand

The only Doubles refereeing accreditation level. Candidates must be an accredited Singles referee, and must have passed the (Squash Australia) Doubles Squash Rules Examination and be assessed and passed whilst marking and refereeing Doubles matches - usually at their own standard of play.

SINGLES

World Squash Federation Singles Rules link – http://www.worldsquash.org/ws/rules/rulesof-squash-2

Squash Australia Singles Rules Exam Available from the Convenor

ACCREDITATION LEVELS From Introductory to WSF

1. Oceania (Singles) Rules Knowledge Accredited Player

For Oceania countries outside Australia and New Zealand. Initial step for progression to marking and refereeing accreditation. Examined by candidates passing the (Squash Australia) *Singles Squash Rules Examination*.

2. Oceania Marker

For Oceania countries outside Australia and New Zealand. Introductory level to officiating to encourage candidates to progress to full Oceania refereeing accreditation. Must pass 2 marking assessments on matches at a standard considered appropriate by an Assessor - usually at the candidate's own standard of play.

3. Oceania Club Referee

Introductory refereeing accreditation level in Oceania countries outside Australia and New Zealand. Must pass marking and refereeing assessments on 2 matches at a standard considered appropriate by an Assessor - usually at the candidate's own standard of play.

4. Club Referee - New Zealand

Must pass on-line Theory exam. Accredited to own level of play.

5. Oceania National Referee

Highest level of accreditation in Oceania outside Australia and New Zealand. Must pass marking and refereeing assessments on 3 matches between the top 20 men at a major OSF event.

ACCREDITATION LEVELS

6. District Referee - New Zealand

Must pass the theory exam. Must referee 6 matches per year with 4 being men's B1 or higher. Minimum 2 assessments on men's B1 or higher. Accredited to men's B1 level. Sits just below the WSF requirements for Introductory Referees.

7. Club Referee - Australia

Introductory accreditation level in Australia. Must pass an exam on the Rules; know the *General Principles* applying to officials in all sports; and be assessed and passed marking and refereeing matches - usually at the candidate's own standard of play.

Meets requirements for WSF Introductory level.

8. State Referee - Australia

Must be assessed and passed at the second highest standard of play in the State. Sits between WSF requirements for Introductory and National levels.

9. National Referee - New Zealand

Highest level of accreditation for NZ Referees. Must have held District Referee accreditation for 12 months; must have completed *Advanced Officiating General Principles*; over a 3-year period must have refereed 24 matches of national standard, including 2 matches between men ranked in PSA300. Must have passed 3 assessments on National standard matches, including 1 match between men ranked in PSA300, including 1 each as Central Referee and Side Referee. Exceeds the requirements for WSF National level.

10. National Referee - Australia

Highest level of accreditation for Australian referees. Must have completed *Advanced Officiating General Principles*, over a 3-year period must have refereed 24 matches of national standard, including matches between men ranked in PSA300. Must have passed 3 assessments on National standard matches, including 1 match between men ranked in PSA300, and including assessments as Central Referee and Side Referee.

Exceeds the requirements for WSF National level.

ACCREDITATION LEVELS

11. Regional Referee - Oceania

Only National Referees can progress to Regional level. Over a 3-year period must have refereed 10 matches per year of regional standard, including matches between men ranked in PSA150. Referees must have passed 3 assessments on regional standard matches, including 2 matches between men ranked in PSA150. Referees must also be assessed in both the Central Referee and Side Referee positions.

Meets the requirements for WSF Regional level.

12. WSF Referee

Only Regional Referees can progress to WSF level. Over a 3-year period must have refereed 24 matches of international standard, including 1 between men ranked in PSA75. Also must have passed 3 assessments on international standard matches, including 1 between men ranked in PSA75 and another with men ranked in PSA30, or if the PSA30 assessment is invalid, 2 matches between men ranked in PSA75. Referees must also have been assessed in the Central Referee position. Assessments must be by 2 different WSF Assessors, including one from outside the referee's own Region.

OSF Officials (as at September 2016)

Marker (Oceania):	59
Club (Oceania):	35
Club (New Zealand):	800+
National (Oceania):	7
District (New Zealand):	12
Club (Australia):	29
State (Australia):	21
National (New Zealand):	9
National (Australia):	9
Regional (Oceania):	6
WSF:	4
Total: (excl Club NZ)	201
Doubles Marker Oceania	3
Doubles Referee	11*
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^{*}Doubles Referees are also Single Referees