



Baseball Umpires Certification Process

Hello all,

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Baseball Umpire. NYSPHSAA and the NYS Baseball Umpires Association are piloting a new certification process for perspective umpires using a digital training site from RefPreps. Completing the 4 steps below will allow you to receive a provisional certification and work modified level games. The four steps are listed below.

- Step 1
 - Order your NFHS Baseball Rule Book and Case Book using the this link, <http://www.nfhs.com/c-192-baseball.aspx>. The cost is \$10 each but some chapters will reimburse you once you join.
- Step 2
 - Click on this link to go the RefReps Baseball Course:
 - <https://learn.refreps.com/explore/df26a4cc-d97d-4ac1-a9ba-91c1f805d154>
 - Click on Buy now and create your account or Login in if you already have an account.
 - Before checking out you MUST enter the following code in the code box: **NYBB22**

The screenshot shows the RefReps website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the RefReps logo, "My Learning", "Explore", a shopping cart icon, and a user profile icon. Below the navigation bar, the "Your Cart" section is visible. On the left, there is a product card for "Intro to Baseball Umpiring" with a price of \$50.00. On the right, the "Order summary" section shows a subtotal of \$50.00, discounts of -0.00, and an order total of \$50.00. Below the order summary, there is a section for "Have a coupon code?" with the code "NYBB22" entered in a text box and an "Apply" button. A yellow arrow points to the "Apply" button, and the text "NYBB22" is circled in yellow.

- Complete the 5-hour course and print out your certificate of completion.
- **NOTE:** Each local chapter has been given the curriculum for this course and will be a resource to you if you have any questions about the course. If you need information on who to contact in your local area you may reach out to Andy Draper, andy.draper1415@gmail.com or Todd Nelson, tnelson@nysphsaa.org.

- Step 3
 - Once you have completed the course, you will be directed to take the NFHS Officials Exam. RefReps will provide the information you will need to register and complete the online NFHS Officials Exam. You will need to notify Todd Nelson, tnelson@nysphsaa.org when you have completed the Exam so we can verify your score. A score of 80 or better is required to pass the exam. The exams are offered during the following dates:
 - **NFHS Part I Online Test available January 6, 2023 to March 19, 2023**
 - **NFHS Part II Online Test available March 22, 2023 to April 30, 2023**

- Step 4
 - Once your official exam has been verified you will be given information on how to get your fingerprint clearance. If you are a current school employee, you will not have to complete this step. This step is required for all officials in NYS through the NYS SAVE legislation. There is a fee to get your fingerprints taken but several sections will reimburse a portion of your fee. Please notify Todd Nelson, tnelson@nysphsaa.org when you have obtained your fingerprints.

Once you have completed all 3 steps, NYSPHSAA will notify your local chapter that you can now be assigned to modified level baseball games in your area. The local chapter will assist you with the other details you will need to join the chapter and get equipped for the season. If you have any questions or issues, you can reach out to Todd Nelson, tnelson@nysphsaa.org and we will be happy to assist you. We hope you find this process smooth and seamless. Thank you for joining the ranks of NYSPHSAA High School Sport Official.

FOR SCHOOLS ONLY

Schools interested in offering Referee training to their Juniors and Seniors. Please use the link below to sign your school up.

Link: www.refreps.com/nysphsaa