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Happy New Year to all of our hard working coaches! We look forward to an exciting 2023 with all of you. Please let us know how we can support you as we work through the year.

Coach Calls

Regional coach calls will take place next week. We'll review spring information, answer questions and go over deadlines. If you don't have an invitation to your region's call, please reach out to info@rugbyohio.com. Every program should have at least one representative on their call.

Monday, 1/16, 7pm - Western Reserve
Wednesday, 1/18, 7pm, Cap City
Wednesday, 1/18, 8pm, Greater Miami
Thursday, 1/19, 7pm, Black Swamp/Mahoning Valley

Rugby Xplorer & Registration

Registration is open. Coaches should be registered by now. If you are not, please do so as soon as you can. This is a two step process - setting up a profile and registering. Even if you just set up a profile, that will get you into the system enough to get started but we encourage you to register if you can. As a reminder, every adult involved with a high school program must be registered (either as coach or admin), background screened, SafeSport trained and, if a coach, hold a Level 1 Coach certificate.

USA Rugby made some videos to help with setting up a profile and registering in RX:

- [Setting up a Rugby Xplorer Profile](#)
- [Registering through Rugby Xplorer](#)

We've added some user guides for you. These can be found in the Reference Documents section of the [Coaches](#) page on the website. Please let us know if you have any questions. You can also download them here:

- [Section 1 - Admin](#)
- [Section 2 - Payments](#)
- [Section 3 - Members](#)
- [Section 4 - Comp Management/Entities/Website](#)

Register

Spring Schedules

Your schedules will be published in RX and submitted for referee assignment as soon as the master schedule is complete. We're still waiting for home game schedules from some of you. If you have not submitted yours yet, please send to competitions@rugbyohio.com and info@rugbyohio.com ASAP. The [excel](#) template for you to submit your games and the [masterschedule](#) can be found on the [Coaches](#) page of the Rugby Ohio website. Schedules will be reviewed for compliance with the assigned date ranges before uploading. Coaches are being added to a 2023 contact list as they register. Until that list is ready for distribution, continue to use the [list from last year](#).

Inbound/Outbound Travel Form

Rugby Ohio and other SYROs around the country have been asked to provide clearance documents for cross state play. These fixtures are a fantastic opportunity for players and their clubs. To ensure that compliance requirements are met, teams complete the form any time they are going to play out of state or host a team from outside their state. Fixtures will be entered in RX. Team lists will be used to ensure the participation of registered players. This also facilitates reporting for disciplinary and injury items. Please allow four weeks for processing. Once completed, permits are filed with USA Youth & High School Rugby. Tournaments require USA Rugby sanctioning. More information on getting your event sanctioned can be found here: <https://usa.rugby/event-sanctioning>. This is required for all cross state play. International travel requires USA Rugby approval. Visit <https://usa.rugby/tours> for more information.

Inbound/Outbound Permit

Training & Education Courses

Course requests have been submitted for the following courses: Level 1 Referee, Level 1 Coach, Level 2 Referee, Level 2 Coach. We're hoping to host all 4 courses on the same weekend. The Level 1 courses are one day and will be offered one on each day so that a person could theoretically earn both certificates in the same weekend. The Level 2 courses are 2-days and will be held on Saturday and Sunday.

Courses will be held at John Marshall School of Engineering, just off I-71 in Cleveland. Dates requested are February 4/5 and February 18/19. We hope to be able to advertise these courses very soon. Please plan accordingly as these will be the last courses offered in Ohio before the spring season begins.

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