

## Referee Conference 2010

This year's National Referee Conference will be held on Sunday 17th  
October 2010

National Volleyball Centre, Thurston Drive, Kettering, Northants,  
NN15 6PB.

Arrival 9.30am for a 10am start. Finish 4.30pm.

The National Conference is the most important opportunity referee colleagues have to update themselves, obtain guidance from Referee Commission and to discuss key issues.

**Referees should consider the National Conference as one of their Appointments.**

Panel referees are reminded that they are expected to attend the National Referees' Conference annually and should not miss two consecutive Conferences unless Referee Commission receives prior notification of extenuating circumstances.

The Conference is not only for senior referees. All registered referees and NTO's are requested to make every effort to attend, whether they are National League Referees or providing the Valuable service required at grass roots level. Why not, fill a car with referee colleagues, help the environment and share the fuel costs? Why not organise a mini-bus from your region? The Conference is an excellent opportunity to meet socially and to put a face to individual referees, Staff Referees, Assessors and Referee Commission members.

**Once again we will have the opportunity to discuss the more recent rule changes with the President of FIVB's Rules of the Game Commission; Sandy Steel.** There will be something for everybody, whatever their grade, and a chance to pose questions and air concerns – don't miss the opportunity.

**If you have any specific questions you would like discussed, please send to Stewart Dunne [stewartdunne@btinternet.com](mailto:stewartdunne@btinternet.com) before Saturday 25th September.**

Lunch will be provided in the form of a light buffet and tea/coffee will be available on arrival and during the morning break. Referees please forward details of any dietary requirements by Saturday 25th September. Requirements received after that date cannot be guaranteed.

All referees in receipt of this mailing should confirm, or otherwise, their attendance. Panel Referees unable to attend should indicate the reason. Please respond via email Volleyball England Referee Development Officer Holly Fairclough

[h.fairclough@volleyballengland.org](mailto:h.fairclough@volleyballengland.org), including any specific dietary requirements.

Prior to the season, and again prior to the Conference, all referees should study the latest FIVB Rules, Guidelines and Instructions, and Casebook; together with the NVL Handbook, where applicable. There will be an opportunity at Conference to show your knowledge of the rules!!!

**NOTE: ALL REFEREES SHOULD LOG ON TO THE WEBSITE ON A REGULAR BASIS**

*Grade 3N/2/1/National Panel Referees: Have you applied to be Observed this season? See 'Referee Grading Structure' below:*

<http://www.volleyballengland.org/Refereeing/Referee-Services/referee-grade-structure.php>

**Conference agenda to follow – the main theme will be:**

- Re-structured Referee Commission
- Your development at regional level
  - Rules clinic and workshops

## BEACH REFEREE & NTO CONFERENCE

For the first time ever a Beach Referee Conference will be held prior to the 2011 summer season where all referees and NTO's will be invited. This will be held in Kettering on Sunday May 8th – please put this key date in your diary if you are involved in beach refereeing or have an interest.

All referees must be registered in order to attend these events. If you are unsure on how to register please contact Richard Belton at [r.belton@volleyballengland.org](mailto:r.belton@volleyballengland.org) or take the following link:-

[http://www.volleyballengland.org/Membership/How\\_to\\_Join.php](http://www.volleyballengland.org/Membership/How_to_Join.php)