

2024 Level 5-4 Nomination Criteria

To be eligible for nomination, referees must meet the following criteria by 31st December 2024:

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| 1 | Be a Level 5 Referee as at the 1st January 2024. |
| 2 | Have received 4 observations via the County FA during the period 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024. The referee must receive a copy of the report and mark. Where possible, 1 observation should be with (non-club) assistant referees, but if this is not possible the referee should not be disadvantaged. |
| 3 | Achieved an average observation mark of 70. |
| 4 | <p>Referee a minimum of 15 open age matches. Priority will be given to competitions below when considering nominations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Feeder leagues or highest level of County football available*• Tiers 3-6 Women's Football Pyramid• County FA Cup Competitions• U23/U21/U19's Competitions that operate with Assistant Referees. <p>To strengthen your nomination, it is recommended you regularly officiate as a referee on a feeder league.</p> <p>*Highest level of County football available will be determined by your County FA taking into consideration the National League System and Women's Football Pyramid structure.</p> |
| 5 | <p>Complete a minimum of 15 Assistant Referee appointments. Priority will be given to competitions below when considering nominations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• FA Competitions• Step 5/6 Leagues of the National League System• Tiers 3/4 of the Women's Football Pyramid• County FA Cup Competitions (open age)• EFL Youth Alliance League. <p>To strengthen your nomination, it is recommended you join the panel of Assistant Referees on a Step 5&6 League and regularly officiate matches.</p> |
| 6 | <p>Successfully complete a fitness test during the period 1st January 2024 to 1st June 2024. The fitness test will consist of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 17/22 interval run• 2x50 meter sprints under 7.5 seconds. |
| 7 | Attend a Level 5-4 online Promotion Seminar hosted by The FA and pass a Laws of the Game Examination. |

Providing the above criteria is met in full, your County FA will provide a reference to The FA outlining your levels of administration, communication and suitability which will be considered as part of your nomination by The FA Promotion Panel.

Your County FA will score each of the following areas out of 5, as well as providing any other relevant information which should be considered by the panel.

Administration
Communication
Suitability

- 1- Poor
- 2- Unsatisfactory
- 3- Satisfactory
- 4- Good
- 5- Excellent.

Please note nomination does not guarantee promotion, the final decision will be determined by The FA Promotion Panel.