## PLEASE FORWARD THIS INFORMATION ONTO YOUR CENTRE'S REFEREE ASSIGNORS/GAME OFFICIALS.

Hello Everyone:

As this season is winding down I thought I would send out a message about next year.

First thing, Game Officials at all levels will have to take the online portion of the recertification for the new season 2025-2026.

Second, all Levels Ones through Level Three will have to attend a Recertification Clinic to finalize and finish the recertification process. So once you have completed the online portion, you also must attend the Recertification Clinic to finish the recertification process to referee next year.

The two clinics for our area, the WOAA Area L will take place in Clinton and Walkerton in September/October of 2025.

You will receive an email indicating the Recertification Clinic dates and time and the process to sign up; this should come out in July, again it's based on the email address you provided to the OMHA.

Please check your trash, spam etc to make sure it's not there. If you do not have one, please contact me by email at <a href="mailto:donshrop@icloud.com">donshrop@icloud.com</a> by August 1st.

The VSC you provided are for three years but they expire on May 1st so you will have to have done your VSC and entered the document into the portal before you can register.

To obtain the written letter required for police agencies go to the OHF site and download the letter or go to the OMHA site, referees, then to forms and download the form letter to provide to the police agency.

You will also require the Declaration Form that will have to be entered at the same time.

NOTE: If your police check is up to date then you will only have to do the Declaration  $(2^{nd}/3^{rd})$  year) and submit it. Same spot you find the letter for the police agencies.

For 2025, you have from **May 1st** till **September 1st** to get the VSC and download it into the system.

Even if you had a police check in the past it must be a VSC Vunerable Sector Police Check that you are providing every three years.

Thank-You, Don Shropshall, OMHA/W.O.A.A. Referee Clinic Co-ordinator –Area L.