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7.0 Purpose:

To define how Red Deer Ringette Association will participate in the promotion, planning, organization and implementation of officiating programs as set out by Ringette Canada, Ringette Alberta, Black Gold League and Zone 4. A Referee in Chief will be designated by the association to work in conjunction with Ringette Alberta.

7.1 Referee in Chief Obligations:

- Inform the Association Referees of clinics and developments in the sport.
- Request officiating clinics to ensure an adequate number of qualified Officials within the Association.
- Ensure all active Officials are registered with the Ringette Alberta and Black Gold League Referee-in-Chief by the designated deadline of each year. Coordinate the issuance of certification cards (if required).
- Review and maintain a current list of Association Officials
- Attend and make appointments for others to attend Evaluator clinics to ensure an adequate number of qualified Level 1 Evaluators exist in the Association.
- Provide names of recommended candidates to attend Level 3 or Master Evaluator Clinic to Ringette Alberta Officials Development.
- Coordinate the evaluation of Officials within the Association in alignment with Ringette Alberta Policy
- Provide recommendations of Officials for the Alberta Winter Games and Alberta Provincial Championships in alignment with Ringette Alberta Policy
- Ensure that the Zone Referee-in-Chief (if applicable) receives the Officials Game Report regarding match penalties assessed. Ensure that Officials understand reporting procedures regarding match penalties.
- Red Deer Ringette's Referee-in-Chief shall notify the Coaching Director within 24 hours
 of becoming aware of a referee game report that includes ejection of a team official,
 Match or Misconduct Penalties that may result in Coach Disciplinary action being taken
 by the Coaching Committee.

7.2 Referee Assignor Obligations:

- Assign on-ice officials to Black Gold League and Zone 4 games assigned as "Home" games to Red Deer Ringette for regular season play.
- Work with Central Alberta AA Ringette and Lacombe Ringette Association if required to obtain officials for games.
- Track games assigned to on-ice officials and prepare pay requests to be submitted to the Red Deer Ringette Treasurer on a regular interval.

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Maintain a game and travel pay rate sheet. Travel rates will be paid to out of town
officials to officiate Red Deer games and to local officials games outside the City of Red
Deer.

7.2 Selection of Officials:

- Officials shall meet the qualifications to officiate the games they are assigned to.
- The Referee in Chief will use their best judgement when qualified officials are not available to officiate a game. Actions taken may include:
 - Requesting properly qualified officials from other associations or leagues a
 defined travel rate will be paid to out of town officials or out of Red Deer games
 for local officials.
 - Authorizing a developing official to officiate a higher level game with a qualified official.
 - Authorizing officials that do not have the formal qualifications to officiate a game with approval from both Home and Away coaches.