

23.7 OFFICIALS TO INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

23.7.1 Within Canada, certification at the international level may only be awarded by the Officiating Committee under the established guidelines for the appropriate Sector.

23.7.2 *World Indoor (Box) Championships*

23.7.2.1 LC Chair of Officiating, Director of High Performance and International Relations and the NOCP Committee shall appoint the officials for any International Championship/Competitions. All officials must have the following qualifications:

23.7.2.1.1 Must be able to obtain a Canadian passport

23.7.2.1.2 Previous experience officiating at comparable competition level

23.7.2.1.3 Registered in the NOCP Data Bank

23.7.2.1.4 Certified LC referee in the current year

23.7.2.1.5 Meet WL eligibility rules for officiating

23.7.2.1.6 Recommended by the MA

23.7.2.1.6.1 In the event an MA does not have an RDC/Referees' Association for that jurisdiction, the RIC has the authority to recommend individuals.

23.7.2.1.7 Approved by LC RIC of that sector

23.7.2.1.8 Criminal record check within one year of departure to the event

23.7.3 *Worlds Lacrosse Men's Field approved International Officials List (For events such as the World Championships)*

23.7.3.1 The Selection Committee shall consist of the following persons:

23.7.3.1.1 Men's Field Sector Referee-in-chief;

23.7.3.1.2 Men's Field Sector Chairperson;

23.7.3.1.3 LC Officiating Committee Chairperson.

23.7.3.1.4 LC Director Domestic Development

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- 23.7.3.1.5 LC Director of High Performance and International Relations;
- 23.7.3.1.6 If any of the above are not available, the other members shall appoint a replacement subject to the approval of LC Board of Directors.
- 23.7.3.2 Eligibility
 - 23.7.3.2.1 Candidates must be registered and in good standing with an MA.
 - 23.7.3.2.2 Candidates must be an active participant in the Officiating Program within the MA and their application must be approved by the MA. There is no limit to the number of candidates a MA may recommend subject to the eligibility criteria.
 - 23.7.3.2.3 Candidates must be certified at level 4 or higher for Men's Field.
 - 23.7.3.2.4 Candidates must meet WL eligibility rules for officiating.
- 23.7.3.3 Selection Process
 - 23.7.3.3.1 MA's will be notified of the request for eligible candidates by the Men's Field Sector Referee-in-Chief by March 31 each year.
 - 23.7.3.3.2 The prospective candidates are to submit an application form with MA approval, and may be asked to submit a registration fee, to LC Head Office by April 30 prior to their tryout.
 - 23.7.3.3.3 LC Head Office will forward the list of all candidates to the Selection Committee as defined in this Section.
 - 23.7.3.3.4 The Selection Committee shall review the list of recommended candidates and select candidates to attend a selection camp which shall be held in conjunction with at least one of the following events:
 - First Nations/Alumni Cup
 - Ross Cup/Victory CupThe final selection camp of the team being chosen to compete in the upcoming world championship.
 - Other events approved by the Selection Committee.
 - 23.7.3.3.5 Selected candidates may be asked to cover some or all of the cost of their own travel and accommodations to attend the camp.
 - 23.7.3.3.6 The selection committee will appoint assessors to conduct the necessary testing and assessments. After the selection camp, the assessments and test results will be submitted to the

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Selection Committee for their review and final selection. Final selections will then be ratified by the Board of Directors.

- 23.7.3.3.7 The selected candidates shall be notified in writing by LC Head Office before October 31 following the selection camp. Such notification shall also contain any conditions and financial commitments required of the selected candidates.
- 23.7.3.3.8 Selected candidates must have a criminal record check completed within 6 months after their selection.
 - 23.7.3.3.8.1 Any fees required to obtain a criminal record check will have to be paid by the candidate but will be refunded by LC upon submission of the completed criminal record check and the appropriate receipt to LC Office.
 - 23.7.3.3.8.2 If a criminal record is found, LC Board of Directors will review it and reserves the right to remove the candidate from participation. Any costs incurred to date would be the responsibility of the candidate, not LC.
 - 23.7.3.3.8.3 If any criminal charges are brought against a candidate after they've been selected, or they violate LC code of conduct, LC reserves the right to move the issue to a discipline committee and/or to remove that candidate from participation and determine who is responsible for any costs incurred to date.
- 23.7.3.3.9 The candidates' acceptance must be received at LC Head Office by November 15 following the selection camp.
- 23.7.3.3.10 Letters of regret to unsuccessful candidates shall be sent by LC Head Office by November 15 following the selection camp.
- 23.7.3.3.11 Selected officials shall remain on the approved international officials list for 3 years from the selection camp attended, assuming eligibility conditions (mentioned above) are maintained. Therefore, a referee that was added to the approved list in 2022 would continue to be approved for events occurring until 2025. To maintain a spot on the list beyond 2025 an official would have to take part in another selection camp in 2025.
- 23.7.3.3.12 The Approved International Officials List will be submitted to World Lacrosse. World Lacrosse will select officials from the list for their events.
- 23.7.3.3.13

23.7.4 World Women's Field Championships (Senior and U19)

23.7.4.1 The Selection Committee shall consist of the following persons:

23.7.4.1.1 Women's Field Sector Umpire-in-chief;

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- 23.7.4.1.2 Women's Field Sector Chairperson;
 - 23.7.4.1.3 LC Officials Committee Chairperson.
 - 23.7.4.1.4 LC Director of Domestic Development
 - 23.7.4.1.5 LC Director of High Performance and International Competition;
 - 23.7.4.1.6 If any of the above are not available, the other members shall appoint a replacement subject to the approval of LC Board of Directors.
- 23.7.4.2 Eligibility
- 23.7.4.2.1 Candidates must be registered and in good standing with a MA.
 - 23.7.4.2.2 Candidates must be an active participant in the Officiating Program within the MA and their application must be approved by the MA. There is no limit to the number of candidates a MA may recommend subject to the eligibility criteria.
 - 23.7.4.2.3 Candidates must be certified at level 3 or higher for Women's Field for the U19 Championships and a WL International rating for the Senior Championships.
 - 23.7.4.2.4 Candidates must have officiated at a Senior or Junior National or Provincial Championship in the year prior to or during the selection year. (e.g. for selection in 2017, the candidate must have officiated at a national or Provincial championship in 2015/2016.)
 - 23.7.4.2.5 Candidates must meet WL eligibility rules for officiating.
- 23.7.4.3 Selection Process
- 23.7.4.3.1 MAs will be notified of the request for eligible candidates by the Women's Field Sector Umpire-In-Chief by March 31 one year prior to the year of the competition. (e.g. for the 2017 Worlds, notice to be sent by March 31, 2016.)
 - 23.7.4.3.2 The prospective candidates are to submit an application form with MA approval, and may be asked to submit a registration fee, to LC Head Office by April 30 of the year prior to the competition. (e.g. for the 2017 Worlds, submitted by April 30, 2016.)
 - 23.7.4.3.2.1 On their application, candidates must divulge whether they have a criminal record and if they have any pending criminal charges.
 - 23.7.4.3.3 LC Head Office will forward the list of all candidates to the Selection Committee as defined in this Section.

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- 23.7.4.3.4 The Selection Committee shall review the list of recommended candidates and select candidates to attend a selection camp which shall be held in conjunction with an approved event.
- 23.7.4.3.5 Selected candidates may be asked to cover some or all of the cost of their own travel and accommodations to attend the camp.
- 23.7.4.3.6 The selection committee will appoint 2-3 assessors to conduct the necessary testing and assessments. After the selection camp, the assessments and test results will be submitted to the Selection Committee for their review and final selection. Final selections will then be ratified by the Officials Committee.
- 23.7.4.3.7 The selected candidates shall be notified in writing by LC Head Office before October 1 of the year prior to the year of competition. Such notification shall also contain any conditions and financial commitments required of the selected candidates based on the information that LC has to date on the specific world event.
- 23.7.4.3.8 Selected candidates must have a criminal record check completed within 6 months after their selection.
 - 23.7.4.3.8.1 Any fees required to obtain a criminal record check will have to be paid by the candidate, but will be refunded by LC upon submission of the completed criminal record check and the appropriate receipt to LC Office.
 - 23.7.4.3.8.2 If a criminal record is found, the Board of Directors will review it and reserves the right to remove the candidate from participation. Any costs incurred to date would be the responsibility of the candidate, not LC.
 - 23.7.4.3.8.3 If any criminal charges are brought against a candidate after they've been selected, or they violate LC code of conduct, LC reserves the right to move the issue to a discipline committee and/or to remove that candidate from participation and determine who is responsible for any costs incurred to date.
- 23.7.4.3.9 The candidates' acceptance must be received at LC Head Office by October 15 of the year prior to the year of competition.
- 23.7.4.3.10 Letters of regret to unsuccessful candidates shall be sent by LC Head Office by October 15 of the year prior to the year of competition.
- 23.7.4.3.11 WL will provide LC a request for nominations of officials for the relevant World event by November 1st of the year prior to the competition. This request may include restrictions on the

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number of nominations they will accept from the National Federation. LC will create a ranking list of the selected officials based upon performance in established categories and will provide a list of nominations to WL based on that ranking. Once WL has notified LC of the final selections, LC will ensure that each official is contacted with the information of their selection and any details from WL about travel and logistics around the World program for the selected officials at that time.

23.7.5 WL RIC and Deputy RIC Nomination/Selections

23.7.5.1 Send out application to MA's to distribute to officials, within MA, for named nominations for the specific position with list of the position roles and responsibilities and qualifications as per WL application form. Application to be posted on LC website.

23.7.5.1.1 Nominations must include a lacrosse resume.

23.7.5.1.2 Nominations must meet the qualifications of the WL application

23.7.5.1.3 Nominated individuals must be a member, in good standing, of the MA.

23.7.5.1.4 Nominated individuals must be supported by the MA.

23.7.5.1.5 The MA can submit more than one nomination.

23.7.5.2 The Selection Committee shall review all nominations and select a candidate from the submitted nominations and send to WL.

23.7.5.2.1 The Selection Committee consists of the following persons:

23.7.5.2.1.1 LC Officials Committee Chair

23.7.5.2.1.2 LC Director High Performance & International Relations

23.7.5.2.1.3 LC Director Domestic Development

23.7.5.2.1.4 Sector RIC/UIC (for specific application designation)

23.7.5.2.1.5 LC Program Coordinator

23.7.5.2.1.6 If applicant is one of the above a LC Board of Director would be selected, as a replacement, by the remaining committee members.