



SAFETY AND EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE
Terms of Reference

Name	Safety and Equipment Committee
Mandate	The Safety and Equipment Committee is an operating committee of Lacrosse Canada (LC). It is responsible for making recommendations to the LC on policies, standards, regulations and guidelines to promote safety in the sport of lacrosse. It also reviews lacrosse equipment and recommends whether such equipment should be approved for use in LC sanctioned activities.
Key Duties	The Committee will perform the following key duties: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review existing and new lacrosse equipment on the sporting goods market.• Make recommendations to manufacturers on possible changes to their equipment.• Meet annually to draft and propose policies, procedures and rules related to equipment and safety for consideration by the Sectors and Board.• Liaise with testing agencies, such as the Canadian Standards Association and National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment.
Authority	The Committee cannot approve changes to policies, standards, regulations or guidelines, but rather serves as an advisor to the Sectors and the LC Board on matters related to safety, equipment and injury prevention. The Committee, with approval from the Board, may establish sub-committees or Task Forces to deal with specific issues in relation to the mandate of the Committee.
Composition	The Committee will be composed of the following individuals: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chair to be appointed by the Board• Board Member• Coaching representative• Officiating representative• LC Program Coordinator, as an ex-officio and non-voting member• Any other individuals having equipment and manufacturing expertise or other relevant expertise as appointed by the Board of Directors.
Meetings	The Committee will meet by telephone or in person, as required. Meetings will be at the call of the Chair.
Resources	The Committee will receive the necessary resources from the LC to fulfill its mandate. The Committee may, from time to time, receive administrative support from the LC National Office.
Reporting	The Committee will report at every meeting of the Board and will submit a written report at every meeting of the Members. Minutes from the meetings must be prepared and submitted to the national office no later than 2 weeks following the completion of the meeting.
Approval and Review	These Terms of Reference were prepared by the Planning and Governance Committee and were approved by the LC Board on November 14, 2014. The Board will review these Terms of Reference on a regular basis, with input from the Committee as required.
Other	Any provisions of the LC's Bylaws and Regulations as they relate to the Operating Committees will also apply.