

APPENDIX 25-26 TERMS OF REFERENCE - WOMEN'S FIELD SECTOR

Name	Women's Field Sector
Mandate	The Women's Field Sector is one of three standing discipline Sectors of Lacrosse Canada (LC). Its role is to have technical authority over the discipline of Women's Field Lacrosse and manage the discipline's activity and development in accordance with the LC's mission, strategic direction, priorities and policy framework.
Key Duties	The Sector will perform the following key duties related to Women's Field Lacrosse:
	 Govern Women's field lacrosse activities at all age groups. Oversee the implementation of LC's Strategic Plan and annual Operational Plans as they relate to Women's Field Lacrosse. Oversee any LC budget allocation to the discipline of Women's Field Lacrosse. Make decisions on technical matters including policies, rules and regulations related to Women's Field Lacrosse, except that the Board will retain a veto over such technical matters if, in the opinion of the Board: (i) they present unacceptable safety risks; (ii) they threaten the image of the game; or (iii) they impose financial costs not accommodated in approved budgets. Ensure monitoring of Women's Field games for compliance with LC's policies, procedures, regulations and standards. Determine ratings for each team sent by a Member Association to a National Championship or Competition. Monitor eligibility, releases, negotiation lists, transfers, and possible tampering with players in the sector. Oversee the application of minimum coaching standards in Women's Field lacrosse. Collaborate with, and provide input to, any of LC's Operating Committees to fulfill related key duties.
Authority	The Sector is a limited agent of the Board on matters related to the sport of lacrosse and the authority of the LC on technical matters related to the Women's Field Lacrosse discipline.
	The Sector determines technical matters including policies, rules and regulations related to Women's Field Lacrosse. The Sector may seek input from the Member Council and from other Operational Committees on such technical matters.
	The Sector may establish sub-committees or task forces to deal with specific issues in relation to the mandate of the Sector, provided they do not give rise to costs that are not accommodated in approved budgets.
Composition	Each Member Association may appoint representatives to serve on the Sector. The Sector will elect a Chair from among the representatives.
	A Chair will be elected every two years from among the representatives on the Sector.

Meetings	A staff designate from the LC National Office will normally attend meetings of the Sector, for information purposes, and will not have a vote. The Sector will meet by telephone or in person. Meetings will be at the call of the Chair.
	Representatives will have weighted voting privileges based on Women's Field participant numbers in the representative's Member Association.
	Minutes shall be kept and provided to the LC Executive Director within 30 days of the meeting, who then shall distribute them as appropriate.
Resources	The Sector will receive the necessary resources from the LC to fulfill its mandate. The Sector may, from time to time, receive administrative support from the National Office.
Reporting	As a Sector of the LC, the Women's Field Sector operates independently of management, the Board, the Member Council, and the Committees. Status reports at a meeting of the Board, or full reports at a meeting of the Members, will be presented by the Chair.
	The Chair will approve the minutes by 30 days after a meeting which will then be distributed by the LC office to each MA President and MA ED who will then be responsible to forward them to their Sector/Committee representative(s) as applicable. Comments and feedback from the Sector or Committee members must be provided within 2 weeks of receipt by the MA. If there are comments or discussion, the Chair may chose to edit and resubmit an updated copy of the minutes for the final approval process. An email or e-room vote will be activated with a mover, seconder and a call for voting within a week of the motion. A non-response to the call for votes will be considered as "approved". A simple majority will allow for the minutes to be considered approved and in effect. Minutes will be posted to the E-Room accessible to the Sector members, BOD, and Member Council following their approval.
	The Chair (or a designate) is required to attend all meetings, workshops, and seminars hosted by the LC at any meeting of the Members.
Approval and Review	These Terms of Reference were prepared by the Planning and Governance Committee and were approved by the LC Board on November 15, 2013. The Board will review these Terms of Reference on a regular basis, with input from the Sector as required and may make changes, provided these Terms of Reference remain consistent with the mandate and powers of the Women's Field Sector as stated in the Bylaws.
Other	Any provisions of the LC's Bylaws as they relate to Sectors will also apply.