

Western Region Officiating Report Sept 2017

Welcome to another ringette season. Things are starting up quickly as it is another refresher year. All referees **MUST** attend a refresher clinic they can register on the Ringette Canada Website. Also one coach from every team **MUST** attend a rules clinic hosted by officiating, coaches will be able to sign up on the WRRR website.

Level 1 and 2 officials will attend a refresher 1 clinic and Level 3 and 4 officials will attend a refresher 2 clinic. Anyone new to officiating should sign up for a level 1 clinic.

Here is a list of clinics in the Western Region:

Coaching Refresher:

Coaching Refresher – Tuesday Oct 17th 7:00PM – 9:00PM Waterloo RIM Park Room 104

Coaching Refresher – Monday Oct 23rd 7:00PM – 9:00PM North London Optimist 1345 Cheapside St.

Coaching Refresher – Monday Nov 6th 7:00PM – 9:00PM Guelph Victoria Arena

Coaching Refresher – TO BE DETERMINED Mitchell

Coaching Refresher – Monday Oct 16th 7:30PM-9:30PM Dorchester Blue line Room

Level 1 Clinics (cost \$100 for new referees and \$50 if taken as a refresher):

Level 1 clinic – Sunday Oct 15th Dorchester 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Level 1 clinic – Saturday Oct 21st 9:30AM-3:30PM Forest The Shores

Referee Refresher Clinic (cost \$50):

Refresher 1 (Level 1 and 2 officials) – Thursday Oct 5th 6:30PM – 10:30PM Guelph Victoria Arena

Refresher 1 (Level 1 and 2 officials) – Tuesday Oct 10th 6:00PM – 10:00PM The Shores Forest

Refresher 1 (Level 1 and 2 officials) – Thursday Oct 19th 6:00PM – 10:00PM North London Optimist 1345 Cheapside St.

Refresher 1 (Level 1 and 2 officials) – Tuesday Oct 24th 6:00PM – 10:00PM Mitchell Arena

Refresher 2 (Level 3 and 4 officials) – Wednesday Oct 4th 6:00PM – 10:00PM Guelph Victoria Arena

Refresher 2 (Level 3 and 4 officials) – Thursday Oct 5th 6:00PM – 10:00PM North London
Optimist 1345 Cheapside St.

Referees: There is an online registration process for all referee clinics through the ringette Canada website. All referees have a profile online and will be able to update their info and see their qualifications online as well as register for clinics. If you have forgotten your password you will have to contact Ringette Canada via their website.

Coaches: There is an online registration process for coaching refreshers through the wrra website. If you are a referee and a coach you must attend a referee refresher and not a coaching refresher.

Going to a clinic does not register you to officiate with the ORA, you must fill out a registration form found on the ORA website prior to stepping on the ice to officiate your first game.

The form can be found at the following

<http://ontario-ringette.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/O-F-05.pdf>

Also Police Checks need to be done every three years. So if referees need a police check it needs to be done before Nov 15th, 2017.

Steve Baker from London continues assigning officials for A/AA games using the Arbiter.

Referee in Chiefs will be responsible to schedule U12 A and one official for U14A as well as all exhibition games.

We still have a shortage of high level refs for Open A and U19AA and U16AA in the region and this will be the case for some time until we can build up our refs and get them through the ranks. We continue to struggle covering the demands of games on weekends, especially when there are tournament happening that weekend. It will be a very busy season with league games, exhibition games, tournaments, NRL, AAA challenges, regionals, provincials and CRC's. Associations should try to schedule back to back ice for similar levels games in order to help with scheduling referees.

Western Region currently has 8 evaluators. It is my goal to get all referees in Western region evaluated at some point during this ringette season. Referees should be encouraged to attend tournaments as they have a better chance of being evaluated and can learn from the experience.

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