



Ontario Lacrosse Association
Association Referee-in-Chief Job Description



Title: Association Referee-in-Chief (RIC)

Reports to: Zone RIC and Local Association President

Qualifications

- 1) Recommended to be at least a level 3 referee who is a member in good standing with the OLRA
- 2) Should have at least 3 years of refereeing experience (exceptions determined by the Zone executive).
- 3) Should possess the following characteristics: leadership, responsibility, professionalism, proper conduct, rapport in the community, respect for the game and its participants

Appointment

- 1) Association RIC is a position elected or appointed by the association.
- 2) Appointment subject to Zone RIC approval.
- 3) Appointment must be ratified by majority vote of the Zone Membership.
- 4) In case of disagreement, the appointment is subject to approval by the OLA.

Responsibilities

- 1) Must be familiar with the most current of the following documents:
 - OLA Constitution and Bylaws
 - Zone Rules and Regulations
 - CLA Rule Book
 - Applicable CLA and OLA memos and technical bulletins
- 2) Responsible for distribution of all information provided by Zone RIC/OLA to local officials.
- 3) Assist the Zone RIC with supervision as directed.
- 4) Attend a pre-season planning meeting with Zone RIC to discuss the objectives for each season.
- 5) Hold a pre-season meeting with local officials to establish consistency both on and off the floor, and to outline association-specific playing rules. An agenda from this meeting will be provided to Zone RIC.
- 6) Attend all association meetings and any Zone/OLA meetings as requested.
- 7) Identify and recruit new officials on an on-going basis by providing support and information where necessary.
- 8) In conjunction with the OLA, communicate the published clinic dates for the upcoming season to all interested parties.
- 9) Following certification, communicate a list of all officials from the association who attended a clinic to the Zone RIC for confirmation.
- 10) Review master OLA referee list from Zone RIC prior to the commencement of the season.
- 11) Cross-examine all names, phone numbers and email address for association officials with the master OLA referee list to ensure accuracy.
- 12) Ensure qualified officials are assigned to each game. If having issues, contact Zone RIC in advance of the game date for support.
- 13) Be available by phone to provide support for officials who are completing special incident reports as part of the post-game duties.
- 14) Keep a detailed log of assignments on a weekly basis that can be submitted to the Zone RIC upon request.
- 15) As requested, provide a list of qualified local officials for each Zone Invitational Tournament.
- 16) Be available to local referees to answer questions or concerns as needed.
- 17) Be available to act as a Tournament RIC for Zone Invitational Tournaments if requested by the Zone.