ATTACHMENT 'A'

MEN'S NATIONAL TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

OFFICIATING POLICY

REFEREE ACCREDITATION STANDARDS

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AUTHORITY

This Referee Accreditation Standard has been developed as an attachment to the Men's National Technical Committee Officiating Policy to provide referee accreditation standards for all trial, interclub, premiership, championship, tournament and international lacrosse matches as arranged or sanctioned by the ALA in accordance with:

- Australian Lacrosse Association Constitution and Rules
- Australian Sports Commission National Officiating Accreditation Scheme

This document replaces all previous versions of the Men's National Technical Committee referee accreditation standard.

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ALA Director, Officiating

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This document shall be maintained and reviewed annually by the Men's National Technical Committee.

The Referee in Chief, Australia is responsible for managing the updating of this document, in consultation with Men's National Technical Committee members, using the template approved by the Australian Lacrosse Association.

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1 INTRODUCTION

This Standard is an attachment to the Australian Lacrosse Association Limited (ALA) Men's National Technical Committee (MNTC) Officiating Policy. It is part of a formal officiating policy structure which includes standards for the training, assessment and selection of Australian lacrosse officials (referees, assessors and other officials).

2 AIM

To provide accreditation standards for all lacrosse referees in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Sports Commission National Officiating Accreditation Scheme.

3 APPLICATION

The primary application of this policy is the establishment of accreditation standards for referees of all trial, interclub, premiership, championship, tournament and international men's lacrosse matches as arranged or sanctioned by the ALA.

These matches may be field lacrosse, box or indoor lacrosse or other forms, including modified junior rules. The MNTC is responsible for ensuring suitable training, testing and assessment tools are available for the applicable level of competition (refer to **Attachment 'C'**.

This Standard must be read in conjunction with the MNTC Officiating Policy and other related MNTC officiating standards.

4 ADMINISTRATION

Any official may lodge a grievance against a failure to comply with the procedures of this standard to the ALA Director, Officiating in accordance with the provisions of the MNTC Officiating Policy, paragraph 6–Grievance Procedures.

The MNTC will conduct performance reviews and complete an update of this Standard by the 31 December each year in accordance with the requirements of the Officiating Policy.

5 LEVEL 1 Entry level for Accredited Referees

Eligible to officiate in:

- Domestic competitions at Senior and Junior level
- National competitions at age group tournaments

Requirements:

- Sit the applicable National Accreditation Examination annually - Minimum pass mark of 60%
- Attend training sessions as required annually – Minimum requirement of participation only
- Undergo at least 3 on field assessments with experienced referees – Minimum requirement of deemed competent by Chief Referee of the relevant competition
- Undergo on-going on field assessments and post-game debriefs by assessors and selected peers – Minimum requirement to maintain ongoing competence.

Desirables:

- Complete the Australian Sports Commission online General Principles, Introductory Level Officiating Course.

The relevant Chief Referee is responsible for determining whether the referee is consistent and competent in meeting (and maintaining) the requirements of this level. Further testing or assessment may be required before removing accreditation if the level of competence falls below standards.

6 LEVEL 2 - State Level for Accredited Referees

Eligible to officiate in:

- Domestic competitions at Senior and Junior level
- National competitions at age group tournaments and age championships

Requirements:

- Achieved accreditation as a Level 1 referee – Minimum of 1 year
- Complete the Australian Sports Commission online General Principles, Introductory Level Officiating Course.
- Sit the applicable National Accreditation Examination annually - Minimum pass mark of 80%
- Attend training sessions as required annually – Minimum requirement of participation only
- Undergo on-going on field assessments and post-game debriefs by assessors and selected peers – Minimum requirement of maintaining ongoing competence

Desirables:

- Attend national age group tournament and undergo assessment by National Assessment Panel – Minimum requirement of ongoing competence

The relevant Chief Referee is responsible for determining whether the referee is consistent and competent in meeting (and maintaining) the requirements of this level. Further testing or assessment may be required before downgrading accreditation if the level of competence falls below standards.

7 LEVEL 3 - National Level for Accredited Referees

Eligible to officiate in:

- Domestic competitions at Senior and Junior level
- National competitions at age group tournaments and age championships
- National Senior Championships, International Tournaments (e.g. Asia Pacific or European Championships) and World Under 19 Championships

Requirements:

- Achieved accreditation as a Level 2 referee – Minimum of 1 year
- Sit the National Accreditation Examination annually - Minimum pass mark of 80%
- Attended national age group tournament or age championship and undergo assessment by National Assessment Panel – Minimum requirement of competence and selection for further development
- Provide instruction and assessment for Level 1 & 2 referees

Desirables:

- Attend Senior National Championship and undergo assessment by National Assessment Panel – Minimum requirement of ongoing competence

The relevant Chief Referee is responsible for determining whether the referee is consistent and competent in meeting (and maintaining) the requirements of this level. Further testing or assessment may be required before downgrading accreditation if the level of competence falls below standards.

8 LEVEL 4 - International Level for referees accredited by FIL

Eligible to officiate in:

- Domestic competitions at Senior and Junior level
- National competitions at age group tournaments and championships
- National Senior Championships, International Tournaments (e.g. Asia Pacific or European Championships) and World Championships

Requirements:

- Achieved accreditation as a Level 3 referee – Minimum of 1 year
- Previously attended a Senior National Championship and undergo assessment by National Assessment Panel – Minimum requirement of ongoing competence
- Achieved a ranking in the National Grading System over a minimum of 4 years at national tournaments and or championships
- Selected for representation by the Men's National Technical Committee
- Pass the International Accreditation Tests (conducted at an international event and may include any or all of the following):
    - Written examination
    - On field assessment
    - Formal fitness test
- Provide instruction and assessment for Level 1, 2 & 3 referees

Desirables:

- Previously attended international tournament and assessed by International Assessment Panel – Minimum requirement of ongoing competence

Remains valid until the next FIL sanctioned competition at which all undergo re-testing.

The relevant Chief Referee is responsible for determining whether the referee is consistent and competent in meeting (and maintaining) the requirements of this level until that time. Further testing or assessment may be required before downgrading accreditation if the level of competence falls below standards.