

APPRENTICE/LOCAL RATING FORM

How To Use This Form

Raters Instructions

After completing your on-field observation of the candidate using any of the various methods that umpires have developed you MUST complete the "Apprentice/Local Rating Form" and submit the form to the rating event coordinator/chair. Please be sure to provide enough commentary that the candidate may receive meaningful written feedback based on her performance during the rating session. Commentary must include details relative to the **5 core areas** of evaluation – 1) Professionalism, Responsibilities, and Ethics; 2) Knowledge and Judgment; 3) Positioning, Field Coverage, and Fitness; 4) Game Management, Penalty Administration, Mechanics; and 5) Comportment, Communication, and Teamwork.

Note: Please remember that as one of the evaluators watching today it is not appropriate to predict and/or indicate to a candidate what the outcome of the rating session is likely to be.

Specifics on the use of this form

1. Check all boxes that apply to the candidate's current skills. The candidate must meet all listed criteria for a box to be checked. If the candidate did not have the opportunity to show a skill, the Rater shall best estimate the candidate's likelihood of being able to execute a given skill through questioning the candidate about basic concepts/procedures or performance in other similar skills.
 2. The candidate **MUST** be able to demonstrate **ALL** criteria in **BOLD** to meet minimum Apprentice proficiency.
 3. If in the initial evaluation, a candidate cannot demonstrate a skill in **BOLD**, the candidate must be able to implement feedback and show minimum proficiency by the end of the rating session in order to receive an Apprentice Rating. Remember – the "rating session" is not a "clinic/camp". The "rating session" is designed to be a test of the candidate's on-field competencies.
 4. Non-**Bold** items are more advanced, indicating that the candidate may be eligible for a Local Rating (L1) or for renewal candidates a longer Local Rating (L2) or (L3).
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Name: _____

Local Board: _____

Region: _____

Super Region: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Current Rating: _____ Rating Site: _____ Rating Date: _____

Local Chair (LC): _____

LC Phone: _____ LC Email: _____

Professionalism, Responsibilities, and Ethics:

The candidate demonstrates:

___ **A neat appearance, proper uniform and proper tools necessary to officiate.**

- ___ An ability to avoid fraternizing with fans, coaches, players, and parents.
- ___ Respect for all participants, and current and former partners.
- ___ Ability to work as part of the "Umpiring Team" and is a role model.

Comments: _

Knowledge and Judgment:

The candidate demonstrates:

___ **The ability to keep the game safe.**

- ___ Ability to recognize the difference between major and minor fouls and to administer proper setup for each type of foul.
- ___ Beginning to see the "bigger picture" as an official and starting to be able to recognize the beginning and end of a scoring play.
- ___ Consistency and confidence in making big calls such as block, charge, and obstruction of the FSG.

Comments:

Positioning, Field Coverage, and Fitness:

The candidate demonstrates:

___ **The fitness level necessary to maintain proper field positioning and field coverage and mental focus for the entire game.**

- ___ A consistent ability to maintain proper positioning and an understanding of the responsibilities of the umpires in a two-person system.
- ___ A growing ability to anticipate, adjust to and stay ahead of play by staying wide and outside of play in transition and adjusting to boundary situations to be able to make the right call.
- ___ Purposeful movement in relation to play and partner, and an awareness of the importance of quadrants and tangents in the critical scoring area. The ability to officiate off-ball when in the Trail Umpire position.

Comments:

Game Management, Penalty Administration, Mechanics:

The candidate demonstrates:

___ **The ability to manage "Basic Penalty Administration" --- whistle; signals, B.O.O. and restart --- in a timely manner with a good awareness of 4 meters space.**

___ A strong goal signal, most major and minor foul signals, and directional signals.

___ Ability to keep the game safe by issuing appropriate cards for dangerous fouls and sportsmanship. And differentiates between 4m away and 4m directly behind.

___ Ability to begin to administer efficiently and effectively all types of fouls anywhere on the field. Ability to begin to use the flag in the CSA and to hold whistle appropriately at midfield, while still maintaining safety.

___ Leadership by initiating a good pre game discussion with partner.

___ A growing understanding of her role in managing the bench area (coaches) and the clock. Use of whistle talk to convey the severity of the foul. A strong ability to umpire the restraining line and the draw.

Comments:

Comportment, Communication and Teamwork:

The candidate demonstrates:

___ **The ability to maintain the safety of the game in a calm and composed manner. Shows respect for all involved in the game.**

___ Use of controlled tone and volume of voice, and strong confident posture.

___ Restraint from moving toward the players during penalty administration.

___ Ability to be part of the officiating team on the field. Good eye contact with partner, especially on draws, goals, and free positions. Supports partner and partner's calls.

___ Ability to manage difficult situations (coaches or overly dangerous play) with the use of cards. Ability to use proper rule terminology and a willingness to show leadership.

Comments:

Assessment

Has the candidate demonstrated proficiency in **ALL skills** marked in **bold** lettering?

_____ **Yes** _____ **No**

If "no" is checked, candidate will be recommended to attend more training.

If "yes" is checked, the candidate will receive an Apprentice or Local Rating dependent on the assessment of performance.

_____ **Apprentice:** Candidate meets Apprentice level proficiency in **all bold** items and possibly a few non-**bold** items.

_____ **L1:** Candidate meets all Apprentice level items and at least one and possibly more non-**bold** item in each core area.

_____ **L2:** Candidate meets all Apprentice level items and several non-**Bold** items in each core area.

_____ **L3: (RENEWAL ONLY)** Candidate has advanced Local skills and meets **all criteria** in each core area.

Note: If a candidate has all or almost all boxes checked, s/he should consider training for a District Rating.

Rater Signature

Printed Rater Name

Rater's Local Board

Rater's Rating

Date

Region