



SELECTION PROCESS & CRITERIA FOR U.S. INTERNATIONAL ON-FIELD OFFICIALS

CRITERIA

The criteria for an official to be eligible to apply as a candidate for the pool of officials for FIL International Championship event is listed below.

1. Be a current US Lacrosse member as an official
2. Be currently certified at the highest level in the U.S.
 - a. Collegiate Certified in Men's Field Lacrosse
 - b. Collegiate Certified in Women's Field Lacrosse
 - c. Most recent FIL WILC Official or Current NLL Official is recommended for Indoor Championships
3. Have officiated at the highest level for:
 - a. U19, at least three years
 - b. Senior, at least five years
 - c. Indoor, at least five years (in addition to at least three years of indoor experience)
4. Any official that has officiated the gold medal game for an event is not eligible to work the top division for that same event again, however they are eligible to be nominated for the lower division.

SELECTION PROCESS

The process for evaluating and ranking the candidate pool of officials for an FIL International event is below.

1. Application for all eligible officials to enter candidate pool must be completed for each specific event.
2. Thirty days after application closes, first round of pool candidates notified of who is moving forward in the process for event.
3. All remaining pool candidates must have had the opportunity to attend or complete at least one of the following development opportunities:
 - a. Team USA Tryouts or Exhibitions
 - b. Submit film of two full games at the highest level
4. Pool candidates will be invited to attend a weekend development clinic for an event. This event will include:
 - a. Classroom Sessions
 - b. FIL Rules Exam (closed book)
 - c. FIL Mechanics Exam (closed book)
 - d. Fitness Examination

Note: If a candidate is unable to attend, they will still be required to fulfill b, c and d prior to the completion of the selection process.
5. Complete an NCSI Background check through US Lacrosse

Once all pool candidates have completed the selection process, the selection task force for an event will rank the candidates accordingly based on the data collected from the above process. Candidates will not be notified of their ranking until after the FIL has requested officials, the U.S. delegate to the FIL, has reviewed and advanced their names to the FIL and the FIL has accepted them for that event.