

Becoming a U.S. Lacrosse Certified Official is an excellent way to earn money, learn more about lacrosse, and have the best view of the fastest game on two feet! We encourage anyone that is interested to get trained and follow the steps below. If you're interested, here are the steps.



STEPS TO BECOME a lacrosse official

- 1) Join WALOA (Washington Lacrosse Official's Association) as a member (\$45.00 per year for Middle School Officials) and attend training through the U.S Lacrosse Official's Training organization. In Washington State, this is WALOA. To join WALOA, send your name and email to WALOA@msn.com. You will receive an email how to set up Arbiter, the game assignment software, as well as how to pay your dues. Training for Middle School officials is 10 February at Bertona Hall at Seattle Pacific University, 9:30 to 3:30. Bring your lunch. You must also attend three more regional classes (location, date and time To Be Announced). You must also pass the U.S Lacrosse on-line test.
- 2) Join or renew your membership with US Lacrosse as an Official.
- 3) Setup a RefPay account at www.RefPay.com. This is how the Leagues will pay you. The Leagues typically pay 3 times per season. . You must have RefPay set up properly for your pay to be received.

Your Assigner (WALOA Assigning LLC) will assign you games and communicate with you via email. Once you've been assigned, work games, have fun, and get paid! You will need to check your email frequently during the season, since there are constant schedule changes, and this information only comes out via email.

GELL LEAGUE REQUIREMENTS FOR OFFICIALS



- Officials will have been trained, tested, and certified through a U.S Lacrosse Certified Training Organization.
- Officials will provide their own uniform including: striped shirt, black shorts, official's hat, whistle, flags, scorecard, and timer(timer required for 7-8 grade refs only).
- Must have current US Lacrosse Membership as an Official.
- Must have an Arbiter account to be scheduled for games and a RefPay account to receive game payment.

OBLIGATIONS OF THE LEAGUE

- Officials are independent contractors and will be paid \$48.00 per game (approximately 2 hours). Payment will be made electronically through RefPay. A 6% Assigner's Fee will be deducted from each game fee in Arbiter.
 - Jamboree games are 1 hour and are paid at \$37.00 per game with Assigner Fee of 6% deducted from each game fee.
 - The game fees include any travel expenses, so no additional money is offered regardless of distance traveled.
- Your Assigner will assign officials based upon availability, travel distance, game difficulty, referee experience, and past concerns or affiliations.
- The League will actively follow up on any and all reports by officials of disrespectful behavior of coaches or fans. Officials are required to report all

Unsportsmanlike Conduct fouls to your Assigner, and the League will work to reduce such offenses.



- All efforts will be made to assign two referees to each game
- Master Bench Officials will be attending some GELL youth games. The MBO will provide mentoring and monitoring of game to assist in the development of the field officials and the advancement of the league.
- Game locations, dates and times may change. All efforts will be made to avoid changes inside of 48 hours of the game. If a change is made inside of 48 hours and the official is unable to work the new date/time/location, the official will be paid for the game as originally scheduled. You must check your email frequently during the season.