

# NCL Referee Review Guide

14 and under; 16 and under; 19 and under; MLWP (senior)

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## Sections for referees to review from the 2014-15 NCL Handbook:

### 2. General Rules

#### 2.1. Rules of play

- 2.1.1. The rules of play for all categories shall be in accordance with FINA WP Rule Book, except where specified elsewhere in this document.
- 2.1.2. In the event the FINA Technical Water Polo Committee (TWPC) and/or FINA Bureau modifies the rules of play, the NCL will implement the new rules immediately.
- 2.1.3. Teams are not required to have a second goaltender. Any goaltender is required to wear a red cap with the number 1, 13, 14 or 15.
- 2.1.4. 14 and under and MLWP (senior) categories: teams will be permitted to request a maximum of two (2) timeouts throughout the entire game.
- 2.1.5. 16 and under and 19 and under categories: teams will be permitted to request one (1) timeout each quarter.
- 2.1.6. WPC will be adopting the following new FINA rules adopted by the FINA TWPC and FINA Bureau October 2014:
  - 2.1.6.1. Teams shall play with five (5) field players and a goaltender for a maximum of six (6) athletes in the water.
  - 2.1.6.2. The field of play will be a maximum of 25 meters from goal line to goal line for both male and female competitions. The width shall be no larger than 20 meters from goal line to goal line.
  - 2.1.6.3. Male competitions shall be played with a female sized ball (i.e. Mikasa 6009).

#### 2.2. Team Eligibility

- 2.2.4. A maximum of fifteen (15) players and three (3) certified staff are permitted to sit on the team bench, all of whom must appear on the online team roster form. Teams' may rotate players and coaches each match.
- 2.2.10. Each athlete must wear similar attire, which includes the following: water polo caps; bathing caps; player's clothing; and bathing suits. Athlete attire must be blank or contain the club's logo or name. WPC/National Team clothing, or clothing from another country, is prohibited. The uniform standard applies to opening ceremonies, pre/during/post games and awards ceremony.

## 2.4. Duration of the Game

- 2.4.1. 14 and under and MLWP(senior) games shall consist of four (4) quarters of seven (7) minute stop time with a two (2) minute interval break between periods.
- 2.4.2. 16 and under and 19 and under games shall consist of four (4) quarters of eight (8) minute stop time with a two (2) minute interval break between periods.
- 2.4.3. Regular season games or preliminary games during the Championship competitions (East/West Nationals, National Finals and Senior Nationals) will not have any extra time and scores that are tied at the end of regulation will remain as a tie.
- 2.4.4. Elimination or qualification games during the Championship competitions (East/West Nationals, National Finals and Senior Nationals) ending with a tied score at the end of regulation will proceed to a shootout to determine the winner. The FINA shootout procedure will be applied.

## 3. Officials

### 3.1. Definition

- 3.1.1. Officials are defined as referees, minor officials and delegates. Referees and delegates are to be selected and appointed by the NTO Coordinators<sup>1</sup>. It is the responsibility of each host club to supply a sufficient amount of minor officials for each hosted game.
- 3.1.4. Delegates will represent WPC at each NCL match and ensure the rules and regulations of this Handbook are being applied. The Delegate will be responsible to submit discipline reports and referee evaluations on a timely fashion to the League Coordinator.

### 3.2. Selection Criteria

- 3.2.1. The OWG shall provide a list of referees and delegates in their jurisdiction to their respective NTO coordinators.
- 3.2.2. Referees must have the following minimum Officials Training and Certification Program (OTCP) level to be eligible to referee NCL matches.
  - 3.2.2.1. 16 and under, 19 and under and MLWP (senior) regular season: Provincial “trained” or higher.
  - 3.2.2.2. 14 and under and 16 and under Eastern and Western Championships and Nationals Finals: Provincial “trained” or higher.
  - 3.2.2.3. 19 and under National Finals and Senior National Championships: Provincial “certified” or higher.

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<sup>1</sup> Referee assignments for regular season games and the championship events will be based on performance, commitment and attitude.

3.2.3. NTO coordinators will attempt to schedule delegates who are certified OTCP evaluators eligible to evaluate Provincial and National level referees where possible.

3.2.4. Referees and delegates will be appointed based on geography and performance evaluations.

### 3.3. Payments and allowances

3.3.1. Referees and delegates will be paid \$CAD25 / game. All referees and delegates will receive \$CAD0.35 / KM.

3.3.2. In order for the delegates and referees to receive their honorarium they must proof and sign the scoresheet.

3.3.3. In order for delegates and referees to receive their travel allowance they must submit a Google Map link from their departing address to the competition venue address to their NTO coordinator. Referees and delegates will be permitted to expense parking and tolls within reason.

3.3.4. WPC will pay travel (flight and ground) and accommodations for referees and delegates where necessary.

3.3.5. Referees and delegates will receive a \$35 per diem when they are at the competition venue for more than 5 hours consecutively or are travelling more than 200 kilometres one way.

3.3.6. Referees receiving an evaluation will not be paid their honorarium.

3.3.7. The payment schedule for officials are as follows:

3.3.7.1. December 15th

3.3.7.2. March 31st

3.3.7.3. June 15th

3.3.8. In the event the dates above fall on a weekend or statutory holiday, payments will be processed on the next business day.

## 5. Judiciary

### 5.2. Responsibilities and Authority

- 5.2.1. The NCL incident reporting form found in Appendix E: Incident Reporting Form must be completed by game officials (referees and delegates) and submitted to the League Coordinator for all incidents defined in section 5.1. within 24-hours after the conclusion of the match / incident.

## 6. Code of Conduct

### 6.4. Referees' Responsibilities

- 6.4.1. Be responsible for the safety and well-being in conjunction with the team coach, be responsible for behaviour of players during warm up, game time and post activity on the pool deck.
- 6.4.2. Represent yourself to the best of your ability in a neutral manner as a referee of WPC.
- 6.4.3. Represent yourself to the best of your ability in a professional manner as a representative of WPC.

## Minimum Standards

	Minimum Standard	Eligible for Evaluation
14U East/West National Championships	Provincial "trained"	Provincial "trained"
16U NCL Regular Season + Championships + Finals	Provincial "trained"	Provincial "trained"
19U NCL Regular season	Provincial "trained"	National "trained"
MLWP Regular season	Provincial "trained"	National "trained"
19U National Finals	Provincial "certified"	National "trained"
Senior Nationals	Provincial "certified"	National "trained"