

So you want to become a lacrosse official- how do you get started?
Right here! Welcome to CWLOA, Colorado Women's Lacrosse Officials Association, the governing organization for USLAX women's lacrosse officials.

This is a job. You must treat it as a job and responsibly study, qualify, register, utilize on-line game assignment web application, and conduct yourself professionally.
If you are in High School (or in 8th grade with a 3.75 GPA or higher), you will register as a Jr Official. If you have graduated high school, then you will register as an Adult Official.

Directions for Jr Officials:

1. Register with USLAX **as an official**. (**Timing: Complete as soon as possible**) FYI: USLAX membership for officials runs Oct 1-Sept 30 annually. If you just registered as a player, USLAX will extend your membership to end on Sept 30 of the following year.
 - a. Parent: call USLAX Membership (410-235-6882) and requests that you are added as an official in their membership database and you are registered with YOUR OWN **UNIQUE** EMAIL; NOT YOUR PARENT'S EMAIL! THIS IS CRITICAL or you will not be able to proceed with the Step 2.
Within 24 hours, you will receive an email to this unique email address with instructions to sign into ArbiterSports, the online officials scheduling system.
2. After receiving this invitation, then log into USLAX/Arbiter Hub through Arbitersports.com
(<https://uslacrosse.arbitersports.com/front/108525/Site/Page-Content/Home>)
3. Register with CWLOA (**Timing: before Jan 15**)
4. Take USLAX Online Rules and Penalty Course (**Timing: before Feb 28. WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND to do this during Winter Break because it takes some time**)
Go to Menu, Online Course.
Click on Sign Up at bottom. Login with your username (your email that your parent gave in #1a)
Make a password- write it down so you don't forget it.
Take online Women's Official course. This will take 4-8 hours.
5. Attend all-day classroom training (**Timing: March 4, 2018**). Details on time/location to be announced on CGLA and CWLOA websites.
6. Pass annual Girls Youth Rules Exam (**Timing: before March 11**)
7. Attend field training and evaluation day called the Spring Fling (**Timing: March 11, 2018**) Details on time/location to be announced on CGLA and CWLOA websites.
8. Once you have completed Steps 1-7, THEN you are ready to officiate and will be entered into Arbiter to receive your game assignments.

If you have questions, contact one of the CWLOA Jr Officials Co-Assiners:
Cyndy Schlepfer-Youker 614-657-9932 (text or call)
Michelle Gazarik 757-817-0599 (text or call)

Directions for Parents of Jr Officials for Girls' Lacrosse

1. Register your daughter or son with USLAX as an official. To do this:
You will need to call USLAX Membership 410-235-6882 and request that your child be registered as an youth official AND give them your child's email address (CANNOT BE PARENT'S EMAIL).
This is so your child can take the Online Rules and Penalty Course and annual Youth Rules exam under her/his own identity. S/he will also get her/his game assignments on this email.

Reminder: Your child will need to communicate game assignments with you to arrange transportation to/from games assigned as you will not be notified any other way. During the season we encourage your junior official to check Arbiter account daily for assignments.

Your junior official will receive Arbiter training on March 4, 2018, in the classroom. They should bring a laptop to log into Arbiter and set up profile and available dates and how they want to be notified for game assignments and cancellations. She will also have to attend Field Training on March 11, 2018.

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