

All members of NILOA (Nevada Interscholastic Lacrosse Officials Association) are independent contractors and may take games from other associations, teams or leagues. In order to be assigned games through NILOA, officials must meet the qualifications below. Officials working games outside NILOA may not be covered by his/her US Lacrosse insurance. Contact US Lacrosse for further information.

Members in good standing with NILOA meet the following criteria:

- 1) Member of US Lacrosse
- 2) Paid association dues
- 3) Attended required meetings and trainings

NILOA Level 1

US Lacrosse Level 1

- 1) Member of US Lacrosse and a member in good standing with NILOA.
- 2) The official is learning to display proper time management throughout the course of the game.
- 3) The official is learning to have the ability to keep the game safe, fair and under control.
- 4) The official is learning to display proper knowledge of the rules.
- 5) The official is learning the proper application of the rules.
- 6) The official is learning to demonstrate proper judgment and consistency throughout the game.
- 7) The official is learning to demonstrate proper positioning and mechanics.
- 8) The official is learning to demonstrate proper hand signals and verbal communication when making calls.
- 9) Official can properly conduct a face-off from one position.
- 10) The official demonstrates hustle and is learning to consistently get into proper position as the lead and trail.
- 11) The official displays proper professional attitude and appearance on the field.
- 12) The official shows the ability to work as a team with his/her partner on the field.
- 13) The official uses proper communication with players and coaches.

Officials meeting NILOA Level 1 and US Lacrosse Level 1 are able to work as the umpire in Division 3 and 2 Middle School Games.

NILOA Level 2

US Lacrosse Level 1

- 1) Member of US Lacrosse and a member in good standing with NILOA.
- 2) The official displays proper time management throughout the course of the game.
- 3) The official displays his/her ability to keep the game safe, fair and under control.
- 4) The official displays proper knowledge of the rules.
- 5) The official displays correct application of the rules.
- 6) The official displays proper judgment and consistency throughout the game.
- 7) The official demonstrates proper positioning and mechanics.
- 8) The official demonstrates proper hand signals especially point for direction of play, stop sign and ready signal and verbal communication when making calls.

- 9) The official demonstrates hustle and is consistently get into proper position as the lead and trail.
- 10) Official displays proper strength and use of his/her whistle.
- 11) Official uses proper mechanics after a goal is scored.
- 12) Official displays a basic grasp of 2 man mechanics and proper positioning on the field.
- 13) Official displays a basic knowledge and understanding of areas of responsibility and on/off ball officiating.
- 14) Official can properly conduct a face-off from multiple positions.
- 15) The official displays proper professional attitude and appearance on the field.
- 16) The official shows the ability to work as a team with his/her partner on the field.
- 17) The official uses proper communication with players and coaches.

Officials meeting NILOA Level 2 and US Lacrosse Level 1 are able to work as the umpire in all Middle School Games.

NILOA Level 3

US Lacrosse Level 2

In the following categories the officials meets or exceeds in 10 of the 13 standards (2-14).

- 1) Member of US Lacrosse and a member in good standing with NILOA
- 2) Official demonstrates leadership in Pre-game and Post-game management
- 3) Official demonstrates time management during the game (quick restarts, lining up players while partner is reporting a penalty, relaying information to the goalie).
- 4) Official demonstrates proper knowledge of the rules.
- 5) Official demonstrates proper application of the rules.
- 6) Official demonstrates proper judgment on personal and technical fouls.
- 7) Official demonstrates consistency throughout the course of the game in calls and positioning.
- 8) Official demonstrates consistency as part of the crew.
- 9) Official uses correct hand signals and relays information to the crew, players and coaches.
- 10) Official demonstrates hustle to get into position.
- 11) Official is wearing the proper uniform and has the proper equipment as required by NFHS.
- 12) Official demonstrates proper demeanor towards fellow officials, coaches and players.
- 13) Official demonstrates proper communication to fellow officials, players and coaches, especially during extra man opportunities.
- 14) Official works cohesively as a crew.

Officials meeting NILOA Level 3 and US Lacrosse Level 2 are able to work as the umpire in all Middle School Games and the referee in Division 2 & 3 Middle School Games.

NILOA Level 4**US Lacrosse Level 2**

In the following categories the official meets or exceeds in 13 of the 13 standards (2-14).

- 1) Member of US Lacrosse and a member in good standing with NILOA
- 2) Official demonstrates leadership in Pre-game and Post-game management
- 3) Official demonstrates time management during the game (quick restarts, lining up players while partner is reporting a penalty, relaying information to the goalie).
- 4) Official demonstrates proper knowledge of the rules.
- 5) Official demonstrates proper application of the rules.
- 6) Official demonstrates proper judgment on personal and technical fouls.
- 7) Official demonstrates consistency throughout the course of the game in calls and positioning.
- 8) Official demonstrates consistency as part of the crew.
- 9) Official uses correct hand signals and relays information to the crew, players and coaches.
- 10) Official demonstrates hustle to get into position.
- 11) Official is wearing the proper uniform and has the proper equipment as required by NFHS.
- 12) Official demonstrates proper demeanor towards fellow officials, coaches and players.
- 13) Official demonstrates proper communication to fellow officials, players and coaches, especially during extra man opportunities.
- 14) Official works cohesively as a crew.

Officials meeting NILOA Level 4 and US Lacrosse Level 2 are able to work as the referee and umpire in all Middle School Games.

NILOA Level 5**US Lacrosse Level 2**

Official meets all standards of NILOA Level 4 and all of the following standards or successful evaluation and completion of Level 2 LAREDO.

- 1) Official employs the “play-on” technique properly.
- 2) Official has a strong grasp of off-sides.
- 3) Official understands the responsibility for counts based on position on the field.
- 4) Official understands the concept of “Advantage/Disadvantage” for technical fouls.
- 5) Official recognizes and calls any necessary player safety calls.
- 6) Official practices good preventative officiating by using the proper tools and techniques.
- 7) Official has a solid grasp of 2 man mechanics.
- 8) Official shows purposeful movement on the field.
- 9) Official demonstrates a strong understanding and application of “off ball” officiating, especially staying with the shooter and passer.
- 10) Official is in good physical condition and can stay in proper position throughout the game.
- 11) Official can adjust his/her officiating depending on the level of play.

Officials meeting NILOA Level 5 and US Lacrosse Level 2 are able to work as the referee and umpire for all Middle School games and as the umpire or field judge (if available) on JV games.

NILOA Level 6 US Lacrosse Level 3

Official meets all standards of NILOA Level 5 and meets or exceeds 7 of the 11 following standards.

- 1) Official was active in the pre-game with his crew. (If the R official conducted a proper pre-game with the crew.
- 2) Official applied information in the pre-game to game situations.
- 3) Official has a solid grasp on 3-man mechanics.
- 4) Official understands and demonstrates proper “yo-yoing” with the Lead when he/she is the single side official.
- 5) Official properly sweeps the box as the trail official and helps officiate from the proper trail position.
- 6) As the single side official the official stopped at the midfield cone for the right amount of time depending on “the break” and was able to correctly assess for immediate offsides.
- 7) Official has a strong understanding of areas of responsibility (on/off ball, dead ball situations, sticking with the shooter or passer)
- 8) Official successfully works with partners that are at a lower level.
- 9) Official has a good understanding of the flow of the game.
- 10) Coaches and fellow officials respect official’s calls and his/her ability.
- 11) Official handles tough situations calmly and with conviction.
- 12) Has attended and completed a LAREDO 2 or LAREDO 3 clinic.

Officials meeting NILOA Level 6 and US Lacrosse Level 3 are able to work as the referee and umpire for all Middle School and JV games and as the umpire or field judge on varsity games.

NILOA Level 7 US Lacrosse Level 3

Official meets or exceeds all of standards of NILOA Level 6 or successful evaluation and completion of Level 3 LAREDO.

Officials meeting NILOA Level 7 standards and US Lacrosse Level 3 are able to work as the referee at all levels of Middle School and High School.

NILOA Level 8 US Lacrosse Level 3

Official meets or exceeds all of standards of NILOA Level 7 as well as attends US Lacrosse National Convention and will be able to help train officials of NILOA.