



2025 Northland LOA New Level 0.5 and 1.0 Officials Training Guide

This document gives instructions on how to become certified as a new youth lacrosse official. You must be at least 14 years old on the date of your on-field training assignment. Use this document as a checklist to make sure you complete all the steps. Please contact lacrosse@yourassignment.net if you have any questions.

You start as a Level 0.5 official and then move up to Level 1.0 and get an additional \$5.00 per game when you have worked at least 20 games and completed some additional training. It is highly recommended that you complete the additional training for Level 1.0 as early as possible so you get your raise as soon as you have worked 20 games.

Level 0.5 Training

- ❑ Complete the [Northland LOA new member form](#)
- ❑ Read and sign the [independent contractor agreement](#)
- ❑ Complete [concussion training](#)
- ❑ Pay your [Northland LOA annual dues](#). (When you get the confirmation email giving you access to the training, please verify that the email went to an address that has a Google account associated with it; if not, email lacrosse@yourassignment.net with your Google account email address.)
- ❑ Join or renew with USA Lacrosse to get [officiating insurance](#)
- ❑ Order [uniform and equipment](#) (at least 2 weeks before on-field training)
- ❑ Complete [Northland online training Unit 1](#) (access granted after paying Northland dues)
- ❑ Complete [Northland online training Unit 2](#) (access granted after paying Northland dues)
- ❑ Complete [Northland online training Unit 3](#) (access granted after paying Northland dues)
- ❑ Once all of the above are completed, review the [on-field training instructions](#) document and then [request an on-field training session](#). Be sure you either have your uniform and equipment or have it ordered before requesting the on-field training.
- ❑ Set up your ArbiterSports.com account when you receive the email invitation, following the instructions on the [Northland LOA Arbiter FAQ](#) page.
- ❑ Email lacrosse@yourassignment.net when your ArbiterSports.com account is set up.

- Accept the on-field training assignment and any paid game assignments you receive in ArbiterSports.com as soon as possible. Read the on-field training document prior to the date of your training.

Move on to the Level 1.0 training immediately so you can get your pay raise as soon as you reach 20 games.

Level 1.0 Training

- Obtain and read the [NFHS Boys Lacrosse Rule Book](#) for the current year.
 - Pick a date to attend the [Zoom meeting](#) and plan on having Units 1, 2, and 5 completed before your meeting.
 - Complete [Northland online training Unit 4](#)
 - Complete [Northland online training Unit 5](#)
 - Attend your [Zoom meeting](#).
 - Fill out the [Level 1.0 Completion Form](#) (a) on the day you work your 20th game (not counting on-field training), if you have all of the above requirements completed **or** (b) as soon as you complete all of the above requirements, if you work your 20th game before completing the above requirements. **You must do this to get your \$5.00 per game pay raise.**
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Deadlines

You must complete all Level 0.5 requirements by:

- February 23 to start getting games in March
- March 9 to start getting games in April
- May 10 to start getting games in June
- June 1 to start getting games in July.

If you miss a deadline, you will still get assignments when you complete training but will not get as many assignments as the people who meet the deadlines. **It is strongly recommended that you set a goal of working through 1 or 2 online training modules per day rather than trying to do them all at once.**

In addition to getting a higher pay rate, officials completing Level 1.0 Training will get more games than Level 0.5 officials. Officials who get to 20 games but who don't move on to Level 1.0 Training will see their future assignments decrease. **All officials should get through Level 1.0 in their first year.**
