



Service

A vital part of lacrosse is providing service to promote the sport; 'giving back' is as much a part of the fabric of the game as the rules. Therefore, fostering an atmosphere where officials are willing to train others, officiate without payment and mentor new officials is essential to the development of a board.

USL WGOSC Policy and Procedure Manual provide the reasons and guidelines for service to the local board. A grid with suggestions for service requirements is included in this part of the Manual. It is recommended the 'WGOSC Local Board Service Opportunities' chart is used as an outline. Feel free to add or change the requirements to meet the needs of your board. Tracking service to insure each member of your board is in 'good standing' is essential for the members of your board to know and understand its importance.

Every US Lacrosse certified official shall hold membership in a local board by paying dues to that board, attending the mandatory annual rules interpretation meeting and any other required meetings of their local board. In addition, US Lacrosse requires all certified officials to provide annual service to their local board to be considered a member in good standing.

All active WGOSC members will experience the benefits of providing service and the "fabric" of local boards will be strengthened by this service.

Annual **Service Standard** is 4 credits. _____ will keep records of membership service. It is the individual official's responsibility for contacting and/or confirming with _____ events that they have taken part in. _____ will provide sign-in sheets at some board events that will aid in this service recording. Once the service is completed, the sheets are to be sent to _____ either through an email attachment or standard mail.

Service Responsibilities of _____:

- Record service given by each umpire.
- Develop sign-in sheets and other documents to help with recordkeeping
- Communicate with the Local Board Chair in a timely manner when individuals are not fulfilling their service requirements

"Member in Good Standing" of _____: (name of your board)

- Annually complete 4 credits of service to _____, and fulfill all US Lacrosse membership and rating requirements as per the USL WGOSC Policy and Procedure Manual.
- Members are encouraged to choose service activities they will willingly perform to the membership.
- If credits are not completed the official will be ineligible for preferred game assignments and/or letter of recommendation from the board chairperson for advancement to the next level of officials rating as per US Lacrosse policies.

Please refer to the USL WGOSC Policy and Procedure Manual for a guideline for service