



**Date:** June 29, 2016

### **Transitioning current US Lacrosse Nationally Rated Officials to CWLOA Collegiate Officials**

In order to provide consistent service and information to collegiate officials, and a single point of contact for collegiate officials related to training and rating, US Lacrosse and the Collegiate Women's Lacrosse Officiating Association (CWLOA) have agreed to transition ALL collegiate officials to the CWLOA this summer.

Beginning January 1, 2017 all current US Lacrosse Nationally-rated officials will transition to the CWLOA. All future ratings and trainings for collegiate officials will be conducted by the CWLOA. Ratings categories and expiration dates are as follows:

*Note: Any current District-rated official may pursue a National Elite rating with the CWLOA beginning in the Fall of 2016.*

#### **Ratings:**

- N1 and N2=Collegiate Select
- N3, N4, International= National Elite

#### **All rating expirations will be extended *one (1)* calendar year:**

- National/International with 2017 rating expiration will be extended to Dec 31, 2018
- National/International with 2018 rating expiration will be extended to Dec 31, 2019
- National/International with 2019 rating expiration will be extended to Dec 31, 2020
- National/International with 2020 rating expiration extended through Dec 31, 2021

#### **The re-rate guidelines of the CWLOA are:**

- Be a current US Lacrosse member AND current CWLOA member
- Follow the rating procedures explained by the CWLOA on [www.coalacrosse.org](http://www.coalacrosse.org)

#### **Note to International Officials:**

\*Internationally rated officials that wish to continue to work college level games will need to be rated within the CWLOA guidelines for collegiate rating. Those wishing to continue to hold an International rating will be rerated following the FIL guidelines. International officials will no longer be able to use their International rating for collegiate rating purposes.

#### **USL Certified Official Status:**

CWLOA rated officials are considered USL Certified officials so long as the official completes the annual certification requirements for USL: annual rules test, attend a US Lacrosse rules interpretation and remain in good standing with a US Lacrosse local board.