

## US Lacrosse Men's Game Officials Certification Program

### Level 3 – Initial Certification

- **Current Level 2 certification (official cannot jump from a Level 1 to a Level 3 without first being certified as a Level 2 official)**
- **Current "official" member designation with US Lacrosse**
- **Classroom – 6 hours**
  - **Two hours minimum focused on mechanics**
    - Current US Lacrosse Three-man Mechanics PowerPoint
  - **Four hours minimum focused on rules and lacrosse officiating knowledge**
    - Current rule interpretation
      - This will include at minimum the viewing of the current years rule interpretation video
    - Viewing the US Lacrosse concussion video and participate in a discussion on concussions
    - Simultaneous fouls presentation and discussion
    - Game management and professionalism
    - Player safety, multiple minute fouls, releasable/non releasable fouls, ejections
    - Rules review
- **Field work - (no time limit, needs to pass level 3 evaluation)**
  - Level 3 on-field evaluation form
  - Must achieve a score of 80 or higher on the evaluation score
  - Reported by trainer and reported to US Lacrosse as passed
- **Take online and pass the US Lacrosse annual rules test with a 90 or above**

### Level 3 - Recertification

In addition, all official who are already Level 3 Certified Officials and wish to remain Level 3 must meet annual recertification requirements in order to maintain their Level 3 Certification. These requirements are:

- **Take online and pass the US Lacrosse annual rules test with a 90 or higher**
- **Classroom (6 hours minimum)**
  - **Two hours minimum focused on mechanics**
    - Current US Lacrosse three-man Mechanics PowerPoint
  - **Four hours minimum focused on rules and lacrosse officiating knowledge**
    - View the US Lacrosse concussion video and participate in a discussion on concussions.
    - Current rule interpretation
      - This will include at minimum the viewing of the current years rule interpretation video.
    - Remaining classroom time to be filled with the curriculum listed below based upon points of emphasis identified within the local area:
      - Simultaneous Fouls
      - Game management and professionalism
      - Player safety, multiple minute fouls, releasable/non- releasable fouls, ejections
      - Technical Fouls
      - Personal Fouls
      - Penalty enforcement
      - Play of the game
      - Rules 1, 2 and 3
- **Official must have accumulated 20 hours of active participation throughout previous certification year.**
  - This can be met by games worked, observing Level 1 and 2 officials, conducting local training, mentoring junior officials etc...
  - LOA can define the exact requirements on how officials can reach the 20 hours using the above examples as a guideline.