**Northern Nevada Lacrosse Officials Association**

**2023 Registration Information**

1. All members must register with USA Lacrosse at [www.usalacrosse.com](http://www.usalacrosse.com). The annual fee is $55.00, which is usually renewed by September 30th. When you register, the local association is **Northern Nevada Lacrosse Officials Association** and you will request a NFHS (boy’s or girl’s game) rule book. USA Lacrosse provides and monitors the required certification examination and provides required insurance. **If you are a player, coach, or other existing member of USA Lacrosse, you must call USA Lacrosse member services at 410-235-6882 ex. 102 to add “Official” to your profile.**
2. To register with NNLOA, you must complete and sign the Officials Registration Form & Independent Contractor Agreement. You must provide a valid email address on the registration form, which is the preferred form of communication. **Make sure you use the same email address for both USA Lacrosse and NNLOA/Arbiter as the systems interact and must correlate.** NNLOA dues are $35 payable at the pre-season social and $40 thereafter (new and junior official dues are waived).
3. Once registered with NNLOA, if you have not already created an account with ArbiterSports.com, you will receive a welcoming email from [www.ArbiterSports.com](http://www.ArbiterSports.com). You must reply to that email and set up your account with that web application. NNLOA assigns games and makes payment through ArbiterSports, so this is a requirement. When you first arrive at the home page, you can click on “Support Articles” on the right side of the page. That takes you to a second page “Officials Help Center”. Click on “Getting Started and any other articles for assistance.
	1. There are four items in your account that MUST be completed for you to be ready.
		1. First, you must enter your home zip code in your profile. Arbiter uses that information to calculate mileage.
		2. Second, you must enter your social security number in your profile, if you want to get paid.
		3. Third, you must enter a valid mobile or cell phone number to be contacted on game days.
		4. Fourth, once you return to the Association home page, you must check “ready to be assigned” and make sure that box is checked.
4. If you are new and already have an account with Arbiter, you will receive a welcome email to join NNLOA as an additional organization. Follow the instructions to join NNLOA, ID 108362.
5. Prior to being assigned any games, you must take and pass with a score of at least 90% the NFHS certification exam and youth rules certification exam which are provided online by [USA Lacrosse](https://www.usalacrosse.com/officials) and you must have attended the required classroom (online) and field training (if provided) sessions provided by the NNLOA. Contact a board member should you have any scheduling issues.
6. Meeting and training schedules are posted on the NNLOA website, [www.nnlaxref.org](http://www.nnlaxref.org). Additional training materials and helpful information can also be found on the site. Please visit the site regularly and make note of the meeting and training schedule.
7. While boys and girls training differ, there will be at least two virtual classroom sessions and at least one on-field session where you will be observed and assisted by experienced officials. Training will also include self-guided online USA Lacrosse courses communicated by your trainers.
8. The NNLOA observes each official and you will be assigned to games of the level for which you are certified based on formal evaluations. You are welcome to contact the board to review your assignments and request a re-evaluation.
9. NNLOA utilizes the self-study programs of USA Lacrosse for ease of training. The courses and programs are posted to [www.usalacrosse.com](http://www.usalacrosse.com) and you will be advised what training courses are required. You will also find the high school and youth certification examinations in the course offerings. You must take and pass both the high school and youth certification exams for either the boys game or the girls game to be qualified to receive game assignments. **Testing due date is end of day February 28th for high school and March 31st for youth.**
10. High School and Youth scrimmages will be announced and shared with NNLOA members, if applicable.
11. **Annual mandatory membership meeting is scheduled for Saturday, January 28th at 9 AM. LOCATION TBD.**
12. **HSLL Season Dates:**
	1. Spring Season for High School is tentatively scheduled for March through May, 2023 – exact dates will be shared when available.
	2. Spring Season for Youth is tentatively scheduled for April through June 11, 2023 – exact dates will be shared when available.
13. Please contact any board member, listed on the web site, with any other questions or concerns.