



WLUA Rating Program

The WLUA Rating Committee manages, maintains, and records umpire ratings for all members of the WLUA Board.

The Rating Committee *establishes* umpire ratings for youth-level and high school-level officials according to US Lacrosse and National Federation of High School (NFHS) certification requirements.

The Rating Committee *records* umpire ratings for collegiate-level and above officials according to NCAA, National, and International certification requirements.

It is the responsibility of each umpire to maintain a current rating with each officiating board for which the official works.

Officiating Levels

Youth Rating – a youth rating is granted to a junior official or an adult official who is qualified to officiate youth-level games. A junior official is under 18 years of age or in high school and where the participants are at least two years younger than the official. The youth-rated official will have completed the Youth-Level Official Training Course and the Youth-Level Official On-Field Training.

Apprentice – a first-year official who is qualified to officiate youth-level games, middle school games, and some high school junior varsity games. The apprentice rating is automatically awarded for one year to all first-year officials who have completed the Official Training Course and the Official On-Field Training. The apprentice rating will also be awarded to an official who is still developing their understanding of the girls' rules, umpire positing, and game management.

Level 1 – an official who is qualified to officiate youth-level games, middle school games, and some high school junior varsity games.

Level 2 – an official who is qualified to officiate youth-level games, middle school games, high school junior varsity and varsity games. Officials earning a Level 2 rating will have shown proficiency in the two-person system of officiating and demonstrate a strong understanding of the rules of the girls' game.

Level 3 – an official who is qualified to officiate all youth, middle school, and high school games. Officials earning a Level 3 rating will have shown proficiency in the two- and three-person system of officiating and demonstrate a strong understanding of the rules of the girls' game.

Obtain a Rating

Apprentice ratings for all first-year officials are automatically awarded upon successful completion of both the Official Training Class and the Official On-Field Training. These ratings will be valid for one year.

All other high school-level ratings will be conducted throughout the lacrosse season based on game and rater availability. Candidates are eligible for an Apprentice, Level 1, or Level 2 game for two-person games. Level 3 ratings are only granted on three-person games.

Contact the [WLUA Rating Committee](#) prior to the expiration of the high school-level rating.

WLUA Rating Committee will work with the umpire assigners and notify you of the date, time, location, and name and contact information of the rater for the game on which you will be rated. Rating evaluation forms will be provided and are also available through the following links: [Level 1-2](#) and [Level 3](#).

Cost: \$75, deducted from game fee.

Within 24 hours, you will be notified of your earned rating. The term of the rating and level you are granted are based on your performance against the evaluation form. All ratings will expire on December 31 of the year that your rating term expires. Within one week, you will be provided completed evaluation form.

Your rating will be added to WLUA's records, but you are ultimately responsible for your rating and the expiration of your rating. You will need to seek out a re-rate opportunity prior to your rating expiration date to avoid

a lapse in your certification. This opportunity may be with WLUA, another Board, or at any US Lacrosse event where ratings are being offered.

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