Role Title: Women’s Umpire Coordinator

Reports to: Executive Committee, directly to the Women’s Vice President

Role Purpose

To uphold and assist in achieving the aims and objectives of the ELF as enshrined in the constitution, specifically relating to the development and growth of refereeing in Europe. The Board’s goal is to help countries develop a local umpire structure that enables a country to run and grow their local league structure. Our long-term goal is to develop qualified umpires in all European countries where women’s lacrosse is played, with the hope that every member nation will be able to send a qualified umpire to the future women’s European Championship.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Proactively develop short and long-term plans for developing, building and strengthening the European Women’s Umpire Programme subject to Executive Committee oversight, and when available, to allocate funding for umpire development;
- Represent the ELF in a positive, professional and progressive manner in all matters;
- Develop an ELF mentoring and assessing programme; this will involve actively recruiting, training, and mentoring women’s umpires throughout Europe;
- Develop trainers for umpire clinics;
- Work with national UICs to develop a database of current umpires in Europe and maintain a list of umpire and technical delegate appointments to ELF managed events;
- Identify needs and assist member countries and potential members in setting up umpire clinics, providing them with qualified instructors;
- Assemble an advisory committee, to assist in the development of European umpires;
- Assist in the oversight of all umpire development initiatives in member nations;
- Advise and assist member nations when required in respect of any lacrosse event they may organise from time to time;
- Liaise with national governing bodies and with International and Regional governing bodies, particularly in identifying opportunities for international opportunities;
- Support the development of men’s lacrosse by liaising with the Men’s VP;
- Report to the Executive Committee as required on progress concerning the development of referees, clinics, and training opportunities. This will be facilitated by use of a shared Dropbox;
- The Coordinator is expected to act as Umpire in Chief for the Ken Galluccio Cup and will be welcome to apply for the position of UIC for the European Championships;
- Work with the ELF Referee Coordinator to develop where appropriate a homogenous Officiating programme that benefits European Lacrosse;
- Work with the FIL Women’s Officiating Chair as appropriate to help further the development of officiating in the Euro Region;
- Act as the first point of contact for rule interpretations within the European region and coordinate FIL rule interpretation requests from member nations;
- Report at the Annual General Meeting on the number and levels of qualified women’s umpires in Europe;
- Undertake other duties not listed here, and as deemed appropriate by the Board.
Qualifications

The Umpire Coordinator will be an experienced Women’s Umpire who holds a high-level umpiring qualification in his/her country when possible.

Qualifications include:
- Excellent knowledge of current level of development of European lacrosse umpiring;
- Experience as an umpire;
- Willingness to travel;
- Proactive and self-motivating;
- Strong organizational and interpersonal skills;
- Diplomatic and impartial;
- Effective written and verbal communication skills;
- Computer literacy, in particular, MS Office, social media

Contractual Arrangements

This is a voluntary position which is not remunerated. This post does not carry a vote on the Executive Committee. The position is tenured 2 years from the date of appointment, pending a review of activities after the first 12 months.