



January 15, 2009

## Request for Expression of Interest

### Re: Water Polo Canada – OFFICIALS WORKING GROUP

The Officials Working Group (OWG) of Water Polo Canada includes a representative from each Province. After representing BC Water Polo for many years in this capacity, Rick Valouche will be stepping down from this position. The Board of Directors of BC Water Polo is responsible for appointing another representation to the OWG.

The Terms of Reference for this appointment are included with this notice and the BCWP Board of Directors have issued this Request for Expression of Interest to identify individuals that are prepared to represent BC Water Polo at the Officials Working Group.

As stated in the attached Terms of Reference, Water Polo Canada prefers that our representative is, as a minimum, *an active Provincial Level Referee, with at least 3 years experience and who has attended a National Championship as a referee at the Youth to Senior level.*

The planning for the Club Nationals is actively in progress and involvement with the OWG will be immediate. Please note that this is a volunteer position.

**Interested individuals are requested to respond to BC Water Polo Association no later than Sunday, January 18, 2009.** Please provide:

1. Your name
2. Contact Information (phone and email)
3. A summary of your referee qualifications
4. A statement of commitment for representing BC Water Polo on the OWG

This information or queries are to be forwarded to BC Water Polo at [bcwaterpolo@telus.net](mailto:bcwaterpolo@telus.net).

**BCWP Board of Directors**



# Water Polo Canada



**Name:** OFFICIALS WORKING GROUP (OWG)

**Mandate:** To improve the quality and increase the quantity of officials in Canada.

**Key Duties:**

1. Coordinate the Officials Training and Certification Program (OTCP)
2. Review and update the referee log book
3. Review and update the evaluation/upgrade procedures
4. Select the Referees, Referees-in-Chief and Assistant Referees-in-Chief who are to attend all National Club Championships (Cadet -Senior)
5. Determine all referee selections to National Championships, based upon the agreed criteria
6. Standardize rule interpretations for all levels of play
7. All other duties related to officials development and training in Canada
8. Update the referee database on a as needed basis
9. Recommend a list of National A referees to be considered for **all International** lists.
10. Nominate his/her delegate for the "NTC".
11. To organise a National Referee's Course including refresher each year.

**Authority:**

1. The Chair and the working group will be accountable to the WPC CEO

**Composition:**

1. One representative\* from each of the member provinces
2. Operations Council Chair (ex-officio)
3. Coaches Working Group wg chair. (ex-officio)
4. NTC International Referee rep (ex-officio)
5. Honorary Members ex-officio (Roy Gunell and Jacques Marsolais) are appointed as historians and technical experts in the officiating of the sport of water polo.

\* (Prefer that the PSO names a minimum "active" Provincial Level Referee, with at least 3 years experience and who has attended a National Championship as a referee at the Youth to Senior level.)

**Appointment:**

1. Representatives elected/appointed by their respective Provincial Associations (PSO)
2. The OWG Chair will be selected amongst themselves. (Must be active OWG member for at least 1 year)
3. The terms of the respective Provincial OWG reps will be two (2) year appointments and will be confirm by the PSO in September as follows:

Even years: BC, Saskatchewan, Ontario and Newfoundland

Odd years: Alberta, Manitoba, Quebec, Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick

**Meetings:**

1. Annual referee selection conference call Post National Club Championship entry dead line
2. 2 other conference calls per year (October and June)
3. informally at each National Club Championship (or Major Invitational)

**Objectives:**

1. To develop, implement, monitor and evaluate all aspects of officiating in Canada.

**Evaluation:** An operation plan will be set and evaluated by the working group annually

**Reporting:** All reporting will be from the WPC CEO to the Board of Directors



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**Review:** The Coaches Working Group will review the terms of reference once a year and make recommendations to the WPC CEO at the WPC AGM

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