



Terms of Reference 2.0

Alberta Weightlifting Association (AWA)

Technical Officials Committee

Mandate:

The AWA Officials committee is a working group designated to assist in technical development and promotion of local, national and international levels of officials and be responsible for providing input/advice on IWF rules within our province.

Composition:

The committee shall be composed of the following; a Chairperson, the Technical Officials Coordinator, and four AWA Technical Officials as standing committee members. The Chair will be nominated from the members of the Technical Officials Committee. The Vice President Technical will be an ex-officio member of the standing committee.

Appointment:

The AWA Vice-President Technical appoints all members to the committee based on nominations submitted by the Provincial Technical Officials Committee or AWA Executive Board. AWA Technical Official member's shall serve from appointment for 2 years and may be re-appointed for successive terms to ensure continuity of the committee. The Technical Committee using group consensus may have a member replaced/removed, however appropriate documentation must be submitted to the AWA Vice President Technical.

Meetings:

The committee shall meet Quarterly via Zoom, by telephone/conference call or in person, as required. Meeting minutes shall be submitted to VP technical for review.

Resources:

The committee shall receive the necessary resources from the AWA to fulfill its mandate, subject to budget availability and may from time to time have additional non-committee volunteers assigned to assist the committee with its work.

Key Duties /Objectives/Deliverables:

For AWA Events

1. To be responsible for the administration of technical rules and rulings on eligibility for AWA events.
2. To ensure qualified officials are at AWA sanctioned events to have onsite technical responsibility for such meets and to ensure decisions relating to technical matters comply with national standards, rules and procedures.
3. To provide input into the Event Regulation Information Package for each AWA competition prior to distribution.
4. Selection and assignment of Event Secretary, Jury members, Referees and other senior officials at AWA events.
5. To ensure that briefing and de-briefing meetings of Technical Officials are held at all AWA Events. The format can be a meeting or an online survey.
6. Provide updated records of TO activity upon request

Recruitment & Development

1. Develop a recruitment strategy targeting former athletes and volunteers knowledgeable/interested in weightlifting.
2. Work to set goal/targets regarding the number, gender and level of officials in the province of Alberta.
3. To encourage and promote the ongoing development of officiating in Alberta through the delivery of clinics.
4. Share resources (i.e. presentations) required to host annual/semi-annual clinics to develop and promote officials.
5. To implement and maintain a WCH education curriculum to be used for the development of officials in Alberta

6. Work with provinces (as required) to provide opportunities for officials to be upgraded (some are too small to field juries to upgrade officials locally).
7. Receive /record all technical and practical exam scores for officials upgraded.
8. Distribute referee log books and badges appropriate to referee level obtained.
9. Maintain an accurate contact list of all active provincial, national and international level officials and the year they were upgraded.

Officiating Rules in Alberta:

To help standardize and provide input on the implementation, interpretation and application of all IWF rules in Alberta.

Communication:

1. To proactively liaise with the Provincial Technical Official's regarding rule changes.
2. Promote utilization of the exclusive on-line "WCH Officials Forum" to discuss and interpret rules and share information.
3. Provide all Technical Officials with information regarding Social Media as a tool/resource. The AWA Web site, WCH and IWF and the Canada Olylift Technical Officials Facebook Page.

WCH Liaison:

1. To prepare and submit recommended changes and amendments to IWF rules to the Regional WCH representative.
2. Monitor all revisions in IWF rules to ensure their inclusion into Alberta practice.
3. Liaise with the WCH Regional TO representative on the promotion of referees to IWF Level II and Level I positions.

Records of TO activity:

1. All records of TO activity and TO progression will be kept within a shared drive, accessible by the committee as well as the AWA executive.

Other:

1. To ensure adherence to the Code of Ethics of AWA/WCH by officials.

Reporting:

The committee will report to the AWA Vice - President Technical in writing 4-6 weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Evaluation and Review:

- The Technical Officials Committee will complete a self evaluation. The performance of the committee will be assessed against the accomplishments of yearly objectives /deliverables.
- This review will take place immediately prior to the AGM.
- The AWA VP Technical and Executive Board will review these terms of reference every two years or as needed.

Approving Body	Effective Date	Version	Description of Change and Section(s) Affected
Executive board	10-30-2022	2.0	-updated mandate -adjusted document to apply for AWA not WCH -added records section