

FIH OFFICIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

Nov 2018- May 2021

The Officials Committee 2018-2021 missions have been to continue the work initiated by the former members, sharpen some of its elements and deal with new challenges. With more than one year of pandemic going on during its mandate, the FIH Officials Committee still managed to achieve the following:

- Review and update of documents
 - Definition of an international cap
 - Guidelines for grading of International Officials
 - Umpire fitness guidelines
- Creation of new documents
 - FIH roles and responsibilities of Officials
 - Letters for Officials (upgrade, downgrade, retirement, inactivity)
- Regrades of Officials
 - At least 1 session of regrades per year
- Appointments
 - Neutral umpires for invitational tournaments
 - Olympic Qualifier Events 2019
 - Hockey Series Finals 2019
 - FIH Hockey Indoor World Cup 2022 (Belgium)
 - FIH Hockey Junior World Cup 2021 (South Africa)
 - FIH Hockey Junior World Cup 2021 (India)
 - Olympic Games 2021 (Japan)
 - Reserves for the Olympic Games 2021 (Japan)
- Review of the fitness testing procedure
 - Implementation of a new submission process for all FIH umpires
 - Follow up on results and submissions
- Reports for Officials
 - In the process of creating online performance reports for Officials on TMS
- Updates on TMS
 - Review of all International Officials statuses (active, inactive, retired)

Committee members

Chair: Sheila Brown (RSA)

Members: Richard Akpokavie (GHA) - AfHF Rep	Roger St. Rose (TTO) - PAHF Rep
Elisabeth Fuerst (AUT) - AHF Rep	Gavin Hawke (NZL) - OHF Rep
Sylvie Petitjean (FRA) - EHF Rep	Janne Müller-Wieland (GER) - Athletes Rep

Secretary: Cédric Ribeiro (POR) – FIH Rep

Please note that since 2020 until April 2021 the FIH Officials Committee managed to organise 7 online meetings with all members participating from different parts and timelines in the world.