



Proposed Changes Summary – Women’s Sector

2012 General Assembly

The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the changes in the Women’s Sector documents being presented at the 2012 GA.

The majority of these changes will come into effect immediately, however, there are some instances where implementation will be delayed. The delayed dates are provided in the respective document discussion below.

Where possible, the changes have also be colored coded. The colors represent the following changes:

Yellow = amended from previous version

Red = deleted from previous version

Green = new from previous version

Members, where possible, are encouraged to send any questions or concerns to the Women’s Sector Chair, Shelley Maher on shelley.maher@filacrosse.com , prior to the General Assembly. This will help to facilitate concise discussion at the Women’s Open meeting.

This meeting will be held on **Sunday 17 June** from **1-4pm**.

Summary of changes

There are two files (pdf format) excluding this one that detail all of the documents and their changes:

- a) W-Rules&Officiating changes_2012 (documents 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 & 7)
- b) W-Competitionchanges_2012 – (documents 8 & 9)

1. Women's Trial Rules 2015 – 18 (document title is WR-TrialRules2015-18)

This document outlines all of the rules that FIL would like to trial for inclusion in the 2015-18 Women's Rules Book. All of these, with the exception of #11, were discussed and agreed at the 2011 Women's Sector meeting, held in Hannover at the conclusion of the U19 Women's World Championship. #10 has been added by the FIL Women's Sector Chairs.

Countries will be asked to trial these rules any time following their approval until ~ April 2014. It is particularly encouraged to trial these rules prior to the 2013 Women's Sector meeting, which will be held at the conclusion of the Women's World Cup, where discussion of the trial rules will occur.

2. Stick specification revisions – implemented 1 January 2013 (WR-Stickspecification_2012)

This document provides tweaks to some aspects of the stick specifications.

The RIH Testing Laboratory, which conducts all of the FIL stick testing believes that the proposed changes will not negatively impact any aspect of throwing/catching, or give players an unfair advantage to dislodge the ball from a crosse.

ALL of the FIL currently approved crosses will continue to be legal, however, these modifications will provide additional flexibility to stick manufacturers in the future.

3. Definitions of rule change clarification and equipment modification (no document)

These are included in the Constitution and Policies documents and provide the Women's Sector Chairs the ability to improve the understanding of the intent of a rule as well as necessary changes to equipment specifications which are measurable.

4. Mandatory Fitness Testing Policy (WO-MandatoryFitnessTestingPolicy_2012)

The revisions to this document include some changes to the required levels for the Beep test and well as the process for implementing the Beep test. These changes have been determined based on the policy's first application at the U19 World Championship in 2011. Note that FIL is working for revised fitness tests for future world events.

5. International Assessor policy (WO-InternationalAssessorPolicy_2012)

The revisions to this document provide clarification for how a person becomes an international assessor.

6. National Umpires at World Cup Policy (WO-NationalUmpiresatWorldCupPolicy_2012)

The revisions to this document provide clarification regarding the process for a national umpire to be selected to officiate in a World Cup.

7. Emeritus Umpire Policy (WO-EmeritusUmpirePolicy_2012)

The revisions to this document are minor clarification changes.

8. World Event Bylaws (includes Appendix) – **phased implementation in 2013 and 2015** (WC_WorldEventBylaws_2012)

The document has firstly changed its appearance. The Bylaws and Appendices have been combined into one document (previously they were in excel and word) – with all of the Appendices listed under the generic Appendix title. Hyperlinks have also been provided in the Bylaws section to take the reader immediately to the relevant reference.

There are several proposed changes which will be implemented for 2013 (and beyond) with the remainder for 2015 and beyond. The 2013 changes are listed below and are * in the document:

1.2.1	2.5.1	4.2.1
1.7.2	2.6.1	4.2.4
1.9.1	2.16.1	4.4.1
1.12.1	2.16.2	4.4.2
1.12.2	2.16.3	4.6.1
1.13.1	2.20.1	5.1.3
1.16.1	2.21.1	6.7.1
2.3.1	3.3.1	7.1.1
2.4.1	4.1.1	7.6.4
2.4.2	4.1.4	7.6.5

The Appendix has also been reduced in size. The following changes have been made:

- Alphanetising of various references
- Removal of world event schedules as these will vary depending on the number of teams in the event
- Removal of pre/post match schedules as these are now in the Rule Book
- Removal of game interruption procedures as these are now in the Rule Book
- Inclusion of Player of the Match crede
- Clarification of submission of final team list
- Inclusion of pre-game procedure with march and anthem
- Clarification of placement of Ball persons
- Duties of scorer
- Duties of timer
- Tournament format – inclusion of seeings for Pool Play and the ability for a country to request a change of seeding.
- Alternative option for Semi finals match schedule
- Clarification of reserve umpire requirements
- Removal of coaches from selection of officials for finals matches

9. Player Eligibility Criteria (WC-PlayerEligibility_2012)

There are several tweaks to this document. They include:

- 3.1.2 Removal of inconsistency of timing between senior and U19.
- 4 Removal of all references to New and Developing Nations – as this is no longer used in determining participation of participants.
- 4.4 Inclusion of date of submission for Dispensation Waiver Form
- 4.5 Process of submission amendment
- 4.6 Inclusion of notification of dispensation process
- 5.6 Inclusion of Proof of Residency documentation