2019-2020 APPLICATION FOR USA ROLLER SPORTS
SPEED SKATING OFFICIALS COMMISSION

Please print or type:

Name: ________________________________

Mailing address: ________________________________

City, State, Zip: ________________________________ Email address: ________________________________

Phone: ________________________________ Date of birth: ______________ Club ID #: ________________________________

Please refer to the attached sheets that explain each of the commissions and indicate the commission you are applying for:

____ “C” Commission  _____ “CR1” Commission  _____ “BR2” Commission

____ “B” Commission  _____ “CR2” Commission  _____ “AR1” Commission

____ “A” Commission  _____ “BR1” Commission  _____ “AR2” Commission

____ Certified Meet Director ($25 fee required for this commission only)

With the exception of a Certified Meet Director, no additional fee is required to be a USA Roller Sports official other than an initial member or coach registration.

Previous Experience

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Candidate’s Signature: ________________________________ Date: ________________________________

An individual applying for any commission must be a current USARS member (noncompetitive or competitive) or coach. Commission will be granted to individuals after the applicable test (if required) has been passed. Registration now includes a mandatory background check. When this application is received, you will be notified on how to complete the mandatory background check. Membership period is from September 1 through August 31.

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Please only use ONE of the methods below. Duplicate returns may result in duplicate charges and delayed processing.

MAIL completed form and check or credit card information to:
USA Roller Sports, 4730 South Street, Lincoln, NE 68506

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402.483.1465

EMAIL completed form and credit card information to:
mschuller@usarollersports.org

Questions? Call our office at 402.483.7551 x 205.
SUPPORTING OFFICIALS:

“C” Commission: Used at league, interclub and invitational contests, applicable to any track position except referee. Candidate must be a minimum of 15 years of age. No experience as a speed official is required to take a written commission test that will be formulated with the approval of the USARS Speed Committee.

“B” Commission: Needed to act as a Regional Championship Official. To be eligible for this commission an applicant must have at least one year of experience as a “C” official and have worked at least six contests. No written test is required; however, a candidate must have the endorsement of the league or Regional USARS President or Chairperson.

“A” Commission: Awarded to National Championship supporting official. A “B” commissioned official may apply to the Speed Committee for appointment to the National Championship Supporting Official Panel. This does not include a referee position. If the applicant’s performance at the National Championship meet is deemed satisfactory, they will be upgraded to an “A” Commission.

REFEREES:

“CR1” Commission: The applicant must be a minimum of 16 years old and there is no experience required. The applicant must take and pass a written open book test. If the test is failed the applicant must wait 30 days from the date the test was taken to re-take the test. Once the test is passed the “CR1” can officiate at league, interclub, or invitational meets as a supporting official and assistant track referee. The “CR1” may also be a non-rolling supporting official at a regional meet.

“CR2” Commission: The applicant must hold the “CR1” commission for 1 year and is expected to work at least 3 league, interclub, or invitational meets as a supporting official and assistant track referee in the previous year. The applicant must take and pass a written open book test to upgrade. If the test is failed the applicant must wait 30 days from the date the test was taken to re-take the test. The “CR2” can officiate as an assistant referee at a regional meet.

“BR1” Commission: The applicant must hold the “CR2” commission for 1 year and is expected to work at least 3 league, interclub, invitational, or regional meets as a supporting official or an assistant referee in the previous year. The applicant will be required to take and pass a written open book test for this upgrade. If the test is failed the applicant must wait 30 days from the date the test was taken to re-take the test. The “BR1” can officiate as a chief referee at league and interclub meets.

“BR2” Commission: The minimum age for this commission is 23 years old. The “BR2” applicant must hold the “BR1” commission for 1 year and is expected to work at least 3 league or interclub meets as chief referee and/or invitational and regional meets as an assistant referee in the previous year. The applicant must apply as a volunteer at the indoor national championship, where he/she will be assigned to each supporting position and one rolling block by the officials committee. At the end of the indoor national championships the applicant will be verbally reviewed and evaluated by the officials committee and submitted to the speed committee for upgrade. Upon speed committee approval the applicant will be awarded the “BR2” commission. The “BR2” commission holder will then be assigned a number and can officiate as chief referee at invitational meets.

“AR1” Commission: The applicant must hold the “BR2” commission for 1 year and is expected to work at least 3 league, interclub or invitational meets as chief referee and/or regional meets as an assistant referee in the previous year. The “AR1” applicant must apply as a volunteer rolling referee at the indoor national championships, where he/she will be assigned to a referee’s panel by the officials committee. At the end of the
indoor national championship the applicant will be verbally reviewed and evaluated by the official committee and submitted to the speed committee for upgrade. Upon speed committee approval the applicant will be awarded an “AR1” commission. The “AR1” commission holder can officiate as chief referee at regional championships. The “AR1” is considered an indoor national championship referee and is expected to apply for appointment to the indoor national championship panel as an assistant referee each year. Any “AR” commissioned official who has not participated at an Indoor National Championship for a period of 3 consecutive years shall revert back to a “BR2” commission level.

“AR2” Commission: The applicant must hold the “AR1” commission for 3 years, have experience as a chief referee at multiple region’s championships and is expected to have worked at least 3 consecutive national championship meets as referee or meet director. The “AR2” applicant must apply as assistant chief referee at the national championship, where he/she will be assigned assistant chief referee’s duties by the officials committee. At the end of the national championship the applicant will be verbally reviewed and evaluated by the officials committee and submitted to the speed committee for upgrade. Upon speed committee approval the applicant will be awarded an “AR2” commission. The “AR2” commission holder can officiate as chief referee at national championships. The “AR2” commission holder is expected to apply for appointment to the national championship panel as an assistant referee each year. The “AR2” commissioned official may also apply to be chief referee at the indoor national championship. Any “AR” commissioned official who has not participated at an Indoor National Championship for a period of 3 consecutive years shall revert back to a “BR2” commission.

CERTIFIED MEET DIRECTORS

All sanctioned USARS activities consisting of club contests, interclub contests, regional championships, national championships and protected competitions shall be under the control of a meet director who, except as otherwise provided in these rules, shall apply, enforce and interpret USARS rules and regulations and who shall have the responsibility and authority to make decisions governing the activity, participants and spectators.

The meet director shall be responsible for giving adequate advance notice of the activity to interested and qualified participants, for supervising the registration process and for insuring that an adequate number of qualified assistants, referees, judges and other officials are present. The meet director shall coordinate and supervise the work of all other meet officials. At all qualifying meets the Certified Meet Director shall be responsible for checking commissions of all officials before they are used.

Meet Directors Certification courses are conducted at the USARS National Championships and at USARS coaches’ conferences. Certification is valid for a three-year period, providing USARS does not receive verified complaints on the Meet Director that warrants action by the USARS Board of Directors and that the Meet Director maintains USARS membership. To be eligible to participate in a Meet Director Certification course, an applicant must:
(a) Be a current USARS member
(b) Be a minimum of 25 years of age
(c) Have some experience in conducting USARS sanctioned meets
(d) Obtain approval from the appropriate technical committee (Figure, Speed or Hockey)
(e) Include a list of their activities as a contest official for the past three years Certified Meet Directors must be recertified every three years by attending a Meet Directors Certification course.