

## **BOCCIA INTERNATIONAL REFEREE COURSES (IRC)**

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**In the IRCs that will be held from the year 2021, priority will be given to candidates from countries that have less than 5 international referees on the date on which the course is convened.**

### **A. IRC conditions:**

1. Two trainers.
2. Maximum of 12 candidates. Minimum number of candidates will depend on where the course is held (continent and country) and the nationality of the registered candidates. The course must be approved by BISFed. Candidates will be approved by the Trainers.
3. Three days of theoretical-practical classroom.
4. A written test.

*Note: Both the course and the written test will be conducted in English.*

5. Two days of Practical evaluation in an official Tournament.

### **B. Criteria candidates need to meet to apply for an IRC**

1. To have been a National Referee for a minimum of 2 years.
2. To have a minimum of 45 matches as a referee
3. Have been active as a National Referee in the last two years before the date of the International Referee Course.
4. Good knowledge of both written and spoken English.

*Note: Before being accepted, an initial oral test will be done by phone or videoconference with each candidate, if English is not their first language. This will be carried out by course trainers.*

5. Being able to make a measurement.
6. Being able to stop a ball.
7. Being able to do the Referees Gestures/signs.

***Note: Candidates with disabilities are encouraged to apply and where criteria proves impossible to fulfil due to disability, the candidate will need to show capability to instruct another Technical official to carry out the procedure.***

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### **C. Documents candidates need to present to BISFed with their course application:**

1. A covering letter with a boccia CV resume
2. A support letter from the BISFed Member country in which they are active.
3. BISFed or National Federation Official Logbook: Presentation of the Logbook with the Tournaments and the number of games they have refereed. This Logbook must be signed by the HR of each Tournament.

*Note: A list sent by the National Federation will not be valid.*

### **D. Requirements to pass the course:**

Candidates will pass the course if they meet all of these 6 requirements:

1. Participate and complete the three (3) days of classroom instruction (must be present at least 90% of the time).
2. Participate in the referees' meeting and participate and/or observe in Equipment Check, under the Head Referee guidance.
3. Pass the written test with a minimum score of 80% (the test is written in English).
4. Pass the practical evaluation.
5. Be competent in English. Even if the candidate has been accepted on the course after passing the oral conversation in English (See Section B, point 4), the trainers will confirm that the candidate's level of English allows them to communicate effectively with the athletes and coaches, understand what the HR says at meetings and that the candidate will be able to take part in a Protest Panel.

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