



Roadmap Towards Gender Equality – LA2028 Olympic Games

Current overview of IHF referees and delegates:

	As per July 2026	Objective as per end of 2026
Total number of active referee couples	76	80
Number of active female couples	14	16
Percentage of female referees	18.4%	20.0%

	As per July 2026	Objective as per end of 2026
Total number of active delegates	56	60
Number of active female delegates	16	19
Percentage of female delegates	28.6%	31.7%

WOMEN IN OFFICIATING – MILESTONES



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SEPTEMBER 2026

Almost only **female couples** to be nominated for the upcoming ARTPs.

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OCTOBER 2026

Women's U16 WCh – **52%** of nominated referees and delegates are women, including **three new female delegates**.

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JANUARY 2027

Change of the composition of the 7 couples assigned to the Referee Coaching Project from 2/5 to **5/2** female/male ratio.

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AUGUST 2027

Men's Youth WCh – approx. **50%** of nominated referees and delegates to be women, including **female candidate referees**.

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DECEMBER 2027

Women's Senior WCh – approx. **40%** of the nominated referees and **50%** of nominated delegates to be women.

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JULY 2028

LA2028 Olympic Games – **46%** of the nominated ITOs to be women (including female analysts, referee coaches, physiotherapist(s) and event delegate(s)).

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