



**ROLLER DERBY
DEUTSCHLAND**



Guide for Leagues: Games Tournament Oversight (GTO)



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When is a GTO required?

A GTO is required in the RDD for **all games of the Bundesliga and the Fundesliga** as well as for all **WFTDA-sanctioned multi-game events and tournaments** (3 games or more). The search and allocation of the position is in the hands of the organizing home league. Important: GTOs do not belong to the group of officials and should therefore not be recruited using the same form as NSOs and SOs.



What is a GTO?

A Games Tournament Oversight Officer (GTO) is responsible for ensuring a fair and well-organized competition. The GTO oversees the competition and game guidelines and works as an advisor for all event issues.

Well-prepared GTOs ensure that events run as smoothly as possible. They help to resolve issues and liaise directly with league officials.

The GTO represents the host team and the RDD for the duration of the event and acts professionally during the event.



Who is suitable as a GTO?

In order to maintain the best possible objectivity, GTOs should - if possible - at least not belong to the home league, ideally not to any of the leagues participating in the games.

A good GTO is a person in roller derby with:

- Gaming experience, regardless of role
- Familiarity with track and safety protocols
- Knowledge of officiating standards and flat track roller derby rules

- Experience with sanctioning and results reporting
- Detail-oriented problem solving and decision making skills
- The ability to work well under pressure and remain calm in the face of conflict
- Professionalism
- Good written and verbal communication




Tasks and responsibilities

Since events and their requirements are different, the organizers from the leagues, the head officials and the GTO should work together to find a distribution of tasks that best meets the needs of the respective event.

It should be clear to everyone involved in advance who will take on which responsibilities (e.g. reporting results) to avoid misunderstandings and duplication of work.

Tasks that can be taken on by the GTO:

- Supervision of the guidelines
 - Managing the charter and ensuring the proper preparation of the paperwork in close cooperation with the NSOs
 - Verification of compliance with risk management
 - Collection and distribution of rosters on match day
 - Reporting of results
 - Submission of final IGRF and expulsion forms
 - Solving problems from/between teams, officials and/or hosts of the event
 - Assisting with complaints and providing information to Leagues submitting complaints
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Checklist

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Before the match day	Prepare paperwork	HNSO or GTO	
	Distribute tasks	All	
	Check schedule	GTO + Head Officials	
	Identify jurisdiction Concussion Checks	GTO	
In the hall before the game	Check Roster	GTO or Lineup Tracker or HNSO	
	Check Safety Standards	GTO + HR	
	Brief paramedics	HR or Home team or GTO	
	Attend captains meeting	GTO + Head Officials	
During the game	Observe medics	JT + Officials	
	Watch game	All	
After the Game	Cuddle mascot	All who like cuddling	
	Report result	GTO or HNSO or Home Team	
	Submit IGRF	GTO or HNSO or Home Team	
	Submit Stats	HNSO or GTO or Home Team	
	Report special incidents	GTO	
	Fill out expulsion form if necessary	GTO	
General	Food and drink	All	
	Mediate in conflicts	GTO, Awareness Team	
	Be approachable	GTO	

