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As you are aware, in March of 2020, all sanctioned ringette activities were suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic. For some of us, the 2020-21 season looked very different, and some of those restrictions remained for the start of 2021-22. Due to the abrupt and unexpected end of the 2019-20 season, followed by a (mostly) gap-year, and a new season with variable access to games, Ringette Canada is extending the maintenance evaluation window to the end of the 2022-23 season. Our objective is to help On-ice Officials to return to the sport, and to support them as they adjust to the changing environment.

The Certification and Evaluation Chart for on-ice officials (found at <u>officiatingringette.ca</u>) has a section that outlines the Maintenance Evaluation requirements and regular timelines. While the general requirements for maintenance will remain the same, the timeline will be extended as stated above. Note: Any active official who did not complete a Maintenance or Upgrade Evaluation in the 2019-20 season must achieve a successful Maintenance Evaluation to their current carded level or higher by the end of the 2022-23 season. No officials will be downgraded due to failure to receive a Maintenance Evaluation prior to the end of the 2022-23 season.