



BECOME A TRACK & FIELD OFFICIAL

An Official is the person who:

- Fires a gun to start a race
- Measures the length of a discus throw
- Raises a red flag when a long jumper crosses the foul line
- Replaces the bar on the high jump
- Records each successful and failed attempt in the pole vault
- Makes sure each runner is in the correct lane before the start of a race
- Monitors if athletes stay in their lanes as they round the track
- Decides if a javelin lands tip first or flat
- Hits the stopwatch at the end of a race
- Monitors a computerized photo finish screen to determine who cross the line first
- Marshals athletes to the start line
- Works with a team of dedicated volunteers to run competitions for Manitoban athletes

Benefits of Being an Official

- Opportunities to upgrade
- Insurance Coverage
- Regular Athletics Manitoba updates
- Camaraderie built from working with other dedicated volunteers
- Satisfaction of servicing Manitoban athletes
- Support of the Manitoba Track & Field Officials Association / Committee
- Opportunity to travel to major Games at Levels 4 and 5

Provincial Upgrading Requirements

Level 1

- Earned six event credits, preferably in more than one discipline – 4 hours = 1 credit; 4-8 hours = 2 credits
- Attend an introductory clinic

Level 2

- Earned 12 event credits, six in track and six in field, since upgrading to Level 1
- Completed six months of service as a Level 1 Official
- Passed the open book exam with a mark of 80% or higher
- Receive an evaluation consultation from your chief

Level 3

- Earned 16 event credits
- Completed one year of service as a Level 2 Official
- Write a National open book exam with a mark of 80% or higher
- Attend a clinic in the discipline requested
- Receive two written evaluations

Level 4 & 5

- Governed by the Nationals Officials Committee

Officials Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone (H): _____

_____ Phone (B): _____

Email: _____ Fee: \$10.00 _____ Cash _____ Cheque

Signature: _____