

Skill Section

Preface

Participants, instructors and assessors should take note of the conditions as laid down in the Award Handbook.

This programme is for guidance and is not to be taken as a rigid syllabus. To indicate the content appropriate to young people with varying degrees of knowledge and experience, it is arranged under three headings: 'For beginners', 'For those with some knowledge' and 'For the more advanced', and participants are free to select as broad or as restricted an aspect of this skill as they wish, but appropriate social and cultural aspects are to be covered.

RECREATIVE SKILLS

ATHLETICS OFFICIATING - TRACK & FIELD

General

The candidate's name and address should be sent to Athletics New Zealand Inc, PO Box 305-504, Triton Plaza, Auckland 0757, who will forward to the Centre Secretary nearest to the candidates home.

The Centre Secretary will put the candidate in the care of a supervising official who will be responsible for arranging instruction and acting as overall Assessor.

The candidate will be expected to attend the specified number of Athletic meetings when s/he will be given the opportunity to work as a minor official, steward, etc., under the eye of the supervising official.

The supervising official will arrange with the candidate whichever meetings are most convenient to him/her, having regard to expense involved for the candidate, and may, therefore, arrange for him/her to act under a competent official on some occasions. The meetings would be a Cross Section of Club, University, Centre and national Track and Field meetings for Cross Country, Road Walking and Running events.

The candidate will require the IAAF Competition Rules and other specified booklets.

The candidate should be 16 years of age.

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For beginners:

Award participants should:

- 1 Attend and work at not less than six meetings. His Supervising Official would give him/her instruction, arranging for him/her to work as one of the meeting stewards (e.g. Judge's or Referee's steward, results runner, "tape holder", assisting at Field Events).
- 2 Read and understand "Duties of officials" set out in the IAAF Competition Rules - a written test will not be set.

For those with some knowledge:

Award participants should:

- 1 Attend and work at not less than six meetings in the track season and two meetings cross country and/or road walking and/or road running. Duties will be to help a competent judge at relay take-overs, umpiring, lap-scoring, recording field event results, track finish results.
- 2 Study "Rules for Competitions" relating to the appropriate class of officiating track judge or field judge.
- 3 By the end of the Track and Field season the candidate should aim at having attained the knowledge of a competent official.

For the more advanced:

Award participants should:

- 1 Have reached the standard of a competent official, act as such during the period of 12 months, at a minimum of six Track/Field meetings and two other events cross country, race walking and/or road running.
- 2 Read "How to Organise an Athletic Meeting", and satisfy his Supervising Official assessor that he has shown keenness in turning out and willingness in working at meetings, and has noticeably improved his knowledge of the Rules and ability as an official.