

UKA Endurance Officials Education and Training Guidelines for Assessing and Attaining Levels 1 – 3 Endurance Officials Qualification

Introduction

The Endurance Officials Education and Training Sub Group have adopted the following advice to act as a policy on the experiences that shall be accepted in an official's log sheet as part of their progression and achievements through the Endurance Officials' Pathway. It is understood and accepted that many Officials are content to remain at the same level, progression is not compulsory and all Officials are essential and valued, but all are encouraged to submit their log sheets to demonstrate continued activity. Experiences submitted must have been obtained in the three year period immediately prior to submission.

Experiences provide an important balance between formal tuition and learning and practical applications of the knowledge officials will have learned on courses and via associated learning.

A variety of officiating experiences must be sought; officials are reminded that experiences of a similar level or type will mean that progression through the levels is delayed until a more varied experience base is achieved. The same is also true for where the experiences are achieved; experiences at level 1 and 2 in larger races should be achieved at county/regional level, with evidence supporting that the official has sought experiences at events in other counties/regions. Further details on the number of runners in races can be found on the Pathway document.

Level 1 - 3 Course

All Officials seeking to progress to Levels 2 and 3 must attend and complete the Level 1 – 3 Endurance Officials' Course.

Reporting Procedures

In England completed Log Sheets / Records of Experience should be sent to your County Endurance Officials' Secretary (contact details at <http://www.englandathletics.org/england-athletics-officials/list-of-county-officials-secretaries-cofsecs>) . For those who wish to progress to a higher level the forms will be sent to the Tri-Region Group for recording within the assessment process as evidence of continued activity. In the other three home countries all forms should be sent to the appropriate Endurance Officials' Secretary.

To progress from Level 2 to Level 3, one positive report is required from an Endurance Official accredited at Level 4.

All Officials must accept responsibility for collecting completed reports and their submission for consideration.

Level 1 Experiences

Any 4 from the following experiences at an endurance event will be accepted on an officials log sheet to attain a level 1 licence **but at least three differing experiences should be achieved as a minimum:**

Pre-Race Registration Duties
Assisting with the setting out a start / finish area pre-race
Start Line assisting / assembling Athletes
Course Marshalling
Marshalling Crossing Points
Marshalling at Road Junctions
Assisting with the judging / recording at a race finish or equivalent
Stewarding / Marshalling at finish or operating a finishing funnel
Timekeeper Recording

Level 2 and Level 3 Experiences

For level 2, bearing in mind the conditions detailed above, any additional six experiences from the following list, of which four should be different and no fewer than 3 should demonstrate officiating at county/regional level (county or regional championships) and must include a mix of cross country and road races.

For level 3, bearing in mind the conditions detailed above, any additional 10 from the following list are required of which six should be different from all other experiences gained as part of progression from 2 to 3, with four demonstrating officiating outside of the officials home county (4 of which should also be at events out of the official's home region). Management responsibility, such as refereeing at a local level, is essential for progression to level 3.

Level 2 and 3 experiences have been grouped together; crucially there should be a demonstration of experiences being sought outside of the county/region or home nation equivalent. Experiences at level 3 must also include managerial experience and attendance at larger races.

Management of a Sector or Management of a Group of Marshals
Marshalling at 'complex' junctions and/or loops or changeovers in relays
Managing course set up and marking / signing (in smaller sized races of 1,000 competitors or less)
*Managing on course drinks or sponge stations
Managing Post Race/Post Finish Services or equivalent role
Start Area Management / Start Director or equivalent role
*Race day registration
Lap Recording, Finish Recording, Manual Timekeeping at Off Track events and Line Judging/judging a finish
*Timekeeper Recording
Finish Area or Finish Funnel Management
Clerk of the Course duties and responsibilities
Course Director
Race Refereeing or Assistant to Race Referee including management of Protests and Disputes
*Event Adjudicator

* Only appropriate at level 2

One experience as an Event Adjudicator can be submitted for progression from Level 1 to Level 2; experiences at ARC licensed races or at a parkrun cannot be accepted for accreditation purposes.