

TRACKMARK PRE- APPLICATION GUIDANCE

The following guidance has been produced to help facility operators understand the minimum standards required to achieve TrackMark Unit 2 accreditation.

UNIT 2 – FIELD

All field event (throws and jumps) facilities should be well maintained and presented.

- Hammer/Discus cage: Compliant specification, no holes in netting, netting secured at base level and steel structure and circle(s) in good condition
- Pole vault and high jump landing beds: Compliant specification, well maintained and in good condition
- Horizontal jumps: Protected edges in landing areas, well maintained sand condition/levels
- All field event runways are well maintained, clean and level

For *throws cages, †high jump/pole vault landing beds and horizontal jumps facilities, UKA requires that an independent inspection is conducted by an approved member of SAPCAs Track and Field division.

*For throws cages an additional loading test is required in addition to the standard visual inspection – this must be carried out by RoSPA
†HJ/PV Landing bed safety inspection testing will be introduced in 2020

Unit 2 – Throws cage/netting/circle inspection: SAPCA approved contractors

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Following the inspection each area will be given a green, amber or red rating.





- **Green:** (Pass) - Meets UKAs TrackMark standard
- **Amber:** (Interim pass) - The test findings fall within the tolerances of predetermined standards and are therefore acceptable for TrackMark accreditation. However, rectification work is required prior to reaccreditation in three years' time.
- **Red:** (Fail) - Does not meet UKAs TrackMark standard and falls outside acceptable standards. Elements of field event provision are in poor condition and present a safety risk – immediate rectification is required.

The following examples and illustrations are not exhaustive and are merely intended to provide facility operators with examples of good and poor practice.

THROWS [1]

Good	Poor
	
	
	
	

JUMPS [1]

Good	Poor
	
	
	
	
	

TRACKMARK EVIDENCE REQUIRED: UNIT 2 - FIELD

Requirement 1	Notes
For venues with a cage(s) a recent throws cage inspection report must have been carried out by an approved member of SAPCA's Track and Field division.	Contact an approved unit 2 cage inspection company to book an inspection visit.

When an inspection has been completed the resulting report must be uploaded to the relevant section of the TrackMark self-assessment portal

Requirement 2	Notes
In addition to the above visual inspection a cage load test must also be conducted by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA).	Contact RoSPA to book a RoSPA cage load test.

When an inspection has been completed the resulting report must be uploaded to the relevant section of the TrackMark self-assessment portal

Requirement 3	Notes
For venues with a Pole Vault facility a recent landing bed inspection report must have been carried out.	Testing protocol / list of approved companies to be confirmed.
<i>Note: Landing bed testing protocols are still being finalised. Note: You can submit your Unit 2 application pending a landing bed test).</i>	

When an inspection has been completed the resulting report must be uploaded to the relevant section of the TrackMark self-assessment portal

Requirement 4	Notes
For venues with a High Jump facility a recent landing bed inspection report must have been carried out.	Testing protocol / list of approved companies to be confirmed.
<i>Note: Landing bed testing protocols are still being finalised. Note: You can submit your Unit 2 application pending a landing bed test).</i>	

When an inspection has been completed the resulting report must be uploaded to the relevant section of the TrackMark self-assessment portal

Requirement 5	Notes
<p>For venues with a Long /Triple jump facility a recent safety inspection report must have been carried out by an approved member of SAPCA's Track and Field division.</p>	<p>Contact an approved unit 2 jumps inspection company to book an inspection visit.</p>

When an inspection has been completed the resulting report must be uploaded to the relevant section of the TrackMark self-assessment portal

Requirement 6	Notes
<p>A site plan (preferably CAD drawing) showing the layout of all field facilities.</p>	<p>A clear recent Google satellite image is acceptable if it shows an up to date layout of field events at the venue.</p>

An up to date CAD drawing or Google Image must be uploaded to the relevant section of the TrackMark self-assessment portal