

Become an official

Benefits of being an official

- Get involved and make a difference to your sport
- Training, mentoring and support provided
- Meet new people and make new friends
- Keep fit and healthy
- Opportunity to travel

Four steps to become an official

1. Complete an officiating course
2. Complete the online Health & Safety and Safeguarding courses
3. Gain the four relevant experiences
4. Have a valid DBS

Scan the QR code to book your course



- Field
- Track
- Endurance
- Starter / Starter's Assistant
- Timekeeping
- Photofinish
- Race walking



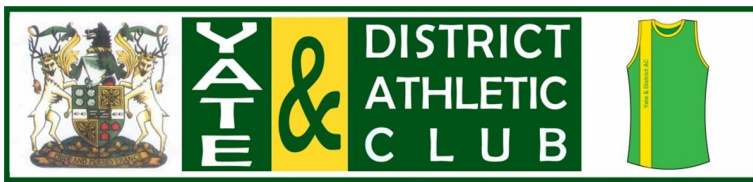
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WE NEED **PARENTS** TO SUPPORT OUR COMPETITIONS SO THAT OUR CHILDREN CAN COMPETE!

All our officials are volunteers and are all unpaid...

It takes a lot of officials to hold a competition. So, **what do they all do?**



The Start Team is made up of **2 Starters & 2 Starters' Assistants**

Starters' Assistants have a lot of interaction with athletes. They ensure athletes are checked into their race and marshalled into the appropriate lanes. Starters have to make sure that there is a good, fair start for all athletes using the electronic start system.

The Finish Line requires **5 Timekeepers & 1 Chief Time Keeper, 5 Track Judges & 1 Track Referee.**

Track judges stand on the steps inside the finish line to decide which order athletes finish in. They also check that races are run according to the rules, e.g. keeping to the lanes, correct relay handovers.

Timekeepers stand on the steps outside the finish line with a stopwatch and time the athletes as they cross the line.

2 Photo Finish Operators work with the photo finish equipment in the judges' room. One captures images of athletes crossing the line and the other processes the images to provide a time to one hundredth of a second for each athlete.

Field Events Require **16 Field Judges & 1 Field Referee**

Every field event is a bit different, but basically the field judges measure each jump or throw to decide who the winner is. Technical difficulty ranges from holding a tape measure or waving a flag to indicate a throw was legal, to operating the electronic measuring equipment.

Plus: 2 results recorders, 1 announcer, and 1 equipment manager

To get involved please contact Andrew Moyes, our Officials Co-ordinator:

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