



Welcome

Thank you for your interest in becoming a USATF Oregon track and field official.

Officials play a key role in the sport by conducting events in a safe and fair manner that provides all athletes an opportunity to perform at their best.

Officials come from all walks of life, young and mature, students to retirees, and all occupational backgrounds. USATF Oregon offers a pathway to becoming an official for ages 18 and older. You do not have to have a track and field background to be an official. No officiating experience is required.

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Benefits of Officiating



Love of the sport. A whole new way to participate in the sport you love.

Staying active. An excellent way to gain physical and mental exercise.

Giving back. Officiating is a community service. You will be helping your local youth clubs, middle schools, high schools, and college and universities. Officiating is also a way to guide and enrich the lives of the athletes.



Staying in the game. Want to stay engaged and a part of the sport you competed in, or maybe you are looking to become more engaged in the sport your kids are involved in.

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A release. Officiating provides a refreshing release from the daily grind.

An exciting role. You are right in the middle of the action. You have the best seat in the house.

Staying challenged and learning. You will have many opportunities to learn and develop new skill sets. Officiating teaches independent thinking, responsibility, and the ability to work as a team.



Friendships and community. The fellowship and humor officials share with one another are rewarding. You will meet new friends. You'll quickly realize officials have a social community.

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An active state association. Officials in Oregon are fortunate to have a very active USATF Association, including a dedicated and engaged Officials Committee Chair and Officials Certification Chair.

Extra income. Some meets pay officials. You will not get rich officiating, but the extra income helps pay for gas and other out-of-pocket expenses.



Recognition. You will receive the thanks and gratitude of athletes, coaches, parents, spectators, and other officials who all know this sport cannot go forward without skilled, dedicated, and enthusiastic officials.

Keeping going

Benefits of Becoming a USATF Certified Official



- > A nationally recognized certification.
- > Receive a Certified Official photo ID card and pin.
- > Insurance coverage, liability coverage (bodily/personal injury, property damage, and legal representation) for officials or volunteers at any organized competition.
- > Access to officials' training materials, training clinics, and local mentors.
- > Eligibility to officiate at USATF national championships and other major competitions throughout the U.S.
- > Monthly USATF National Officials Committee newsletter
- > Discounts on branded merchandise from the USATF online store.
- > Discounts on running merchandise, books, magazines, and videos.
- > Discounts on airline, hotel, and car rental fees.

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The first step to becoming a track and field official in Oregon is to contact **Scott Phoenix**. Scott is the USATF Oregon Officials Certification Chair.

Scott can answer any questions you may have. Depending on your situation, he can suggest a pathway to beginning your career as an official. Scott's contact information: sandcphoenix@gmail.com, Home: 503-538-1674, Cell: 503-715-6685.



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