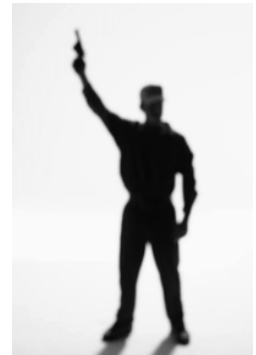


Officials Clinic
Sunday, January 25, 2015
USATF Ohio Association
USATF

Presenter
Len Krsak



USATF

- Governing body of Track & Field in the United States and made up of many disciplines
- Senior (Olympic Athlete)
- Youth
- Masters'
- Long Distances Running (LDR)
- Race Walk
- Officials - Currently 8200 Certified
- Associations (57)

Officials Committee Executive Board

- Chair - Len Krsak - Association Ohio
- Treasurer - Doug Allen - Kentucky
- Secretary - Ton Hott - Ozark, IL
- V C Certification - Jimmy Stuart - Southwestern, TX
- V C Rules - Mark Kostek - Association, Iowa
- V C Training - Rob Buzaitis - Association, Michigan
- V C Awards - Scott Rose - Ohio
- Parliamentarian - Don Berry - Maine
- Also members of the Officials Committee are all Associations Certification Chairs (57)

Officials Committee Responsibilities

- Recruit
- Test
- Train
- Mentor
- Certify New Officials
- Recertify all officials every four years (After an Olympiad)
- Advance veteran officials to either Association, National or Master Level after set requirements are achieved
- Require USATF Membership before being considered for certification
- Certification Fee, each Association sets their own fee



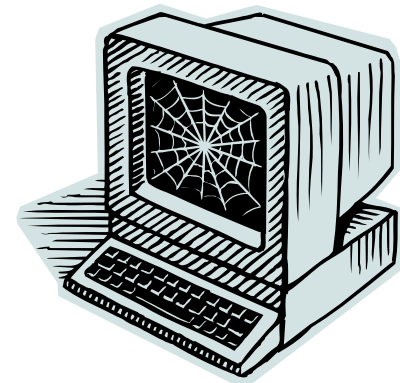
Associations'

Certification Chairs

- Fifty Seven (57) one from each Association
- Responsibilities
 - Recruit Locally
 - Train
 - Mentor
 - Administer Test (rules review)
 - Process certification application, Grade Test and submit information to V C Certification for processing credential

Officials Website

- Officials' Meeting Minutes
- List of Major Annual Award Winners
- Listing of Meet Opportunities
- Best Practices Listing of published information on how to officiate a Track Meet for both Track & Field



Working Meets

- USATF National Championships (Indoor, Indoor Combine, Outdoor & Olympic Trials)
Officials Staffing Through a selection process
Must be a National or Master Level official to submit application
- Other Championships (USATF Associations' Youth, Masters, NCAA, NAIA, Etc.)
Submit Application – Meet Management selects officials according to their needs

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Officials Re-certified 2013-2016 Olympiad

- Levels
- Apprentice 51
- Association 56
- National 56
- Master 42
- Total 205

USATF Certification Retained

- Must be a current member (2015 membership)
- Liability Insurance effective only with current membership
- Records – signing off on records, both USATF & NCAA could be in Jeopardy without current membership

USATF 2015 National Championships

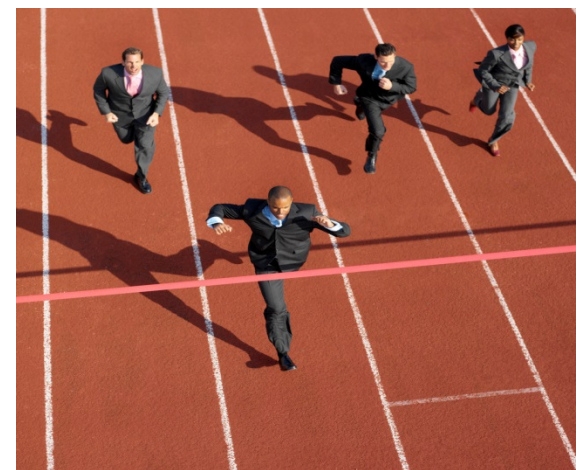
Selected Ohio Officials

- **Senior Indoor**

- Les Chih Long / Triple
- Terri Eldridge Clerk – Chief
- Larry Dixon CLERK
- Randy Hopknis High Jump
- Scott Rose Throws - Chief
- Scott Bauer Throws
- Karen Krsak Clerk Referee - Management

Recruiting Officials

- **Open for suggestion:**
- Recruiting
- Retaining officials



Library – Best Practices Plus 95 Documents Listed

Resources for:

Combine Events

Electronic Measurement

Field Events

Long Distance Running

Meet Management

Officials Training

Race Walking

Rules

Technical Officials

Track Events

Weights & Measures

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Officiating Philosophy

Presenter

Len Krsak



Officiating Philosophy

- An officials must Be
- Fair
- Consistent
- Impartial



Preparation

- Read the rule “Rule Book” regarding the event your working – prior to the meet
- Have the proper equipment for the event you are assigned too
- Uniform – Look sharp wear a clean & current uniform



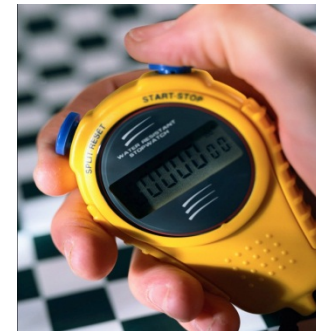
RULES

- Go by the Rule Book
- Depending upon the meet, there are several rule books – USATF, NCAA, NFH, IAAF WMA
- NCAA Conferences' have a manual with special Conference rules to be follow in addition to the NCAA rule book



No Special Breaks

- Athletes
- Coaches
- Parents
- Etc.



Comments

- No Unnecessary Comments
- Be Courteous

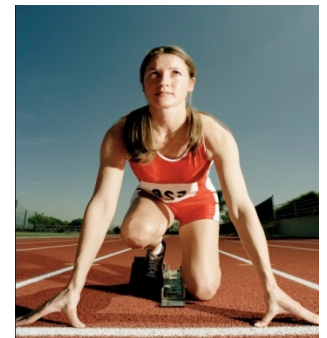
To Athletes, Coaches, Spectators and
fellow Officials

- Avoid Confrontation
- Derogatory Comments



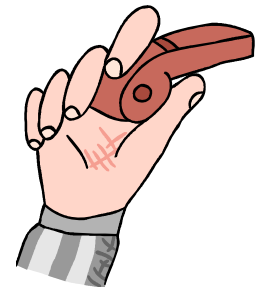
Winners & Losers

- Officials Should Not Concern Themselves With Who Wins or Loses
- Be Impartial
- Be Fair
- “Give no Advantage” – “ Give no Disadvantage”



Etiquette

- Officials No Matter What Level Of Meet Being Worked Should Be:
- Always Polite
- Always Courteous
- Always Professional



Be Fit

- Accept your limitations
- Mobility
- Good Mental Attitude
- Smile

