

## **ATHLETICS NEW ZEALAND OFFICIALS EDUCATION SCHEME (ANZOES)**

### **1. Education Scheme for Officials**

Athletic New Zealand shall operate an Education Scheme for Officials (ANZOES).

### **2. Administration of the ANZOES Scheme**

The Officials Education Scheme shall be administered on behalf of Athletic New Zealand by a Committee of 4 members appointed by Athletics New Zealand to hold office for 4 years with one Committee member retiring each year and such Committee shall be termed the "National Officials Committee" (NOC).

### **3. Regional Officials Educator (ROE)**

Each Region/Centre shall appoint annually a Regional Officials Educator (ROE) who shall be responsible to the NOC for the implementation of the Education Scheme in their Region/Centre.

### **4. Event Classification Groups**

- Group 1: Jumps (Long/Triple Jumps, High Jump, Pole Vault)
- Group 2: Throws (Shot Put, Discus, Hammer, Javelin)
- Group 3: Track (Judging, Wind Gauge, Lap Scoring, Umpiring, Starting, Time Keeping, Photo Finish)
- Group 4: Walks (Walk Judging, Chief Judge (A & B), Recording, Posting Board, Pit Lane (A), General Track Officiating)
- Group 5: Outside Events (Course Setting, Starting/Umpiring, Time Keeping, Judging/Lap scoring/Recording)
- Group 6: Administration (Competition Management/Announcing, Recording, Seeding and Draws, Technical)
- Group 7: Course Measurement (Course setting and Measuring for events outside the stadium up to and including Marathon distance)
- Group 8: PARA (All events)

### **5. Level of Certification**

**Certification will be as follows:**

#### **C Grade**

- Passing the written assessment 70% and officiate in at least 2 of the elements in the Event Group over 10 competition days as assessed by the Regional Officials Educator.
- Administration and PARA have no written assessment for C grade, experience only required before advancing to Level B as assessed by the ROE
- Course Measurement requirements please contact ROE or NOC.

#### **B Grade**

- Proficiency in at least 3 of the 4 (or 2 of the 3) elements in the Event Group.
- Completing Certified Practical Experience Card in at least 3 of the 4 (or 2 of the 3) elements in the Event Group over 10 competition days (6 days for Group 5) at senior Regional/Centre level or above. The completed Experience Card needs to be certified by the ROE before sitting the written examination.
- Passing the written examination 70%.
- Course Measurement requirements please see ROC or NOC.
- PARA must have achieved a C grade in Track, Jumps and Throws. Pass the written exam 70%. Complete Experience card showing 3 competition days in each of the Jumps, Throws and Track Events (total of 9 days).

#### **A Grade**

- Proficiency in all aspects of the Event Group.
- Certified Practical Experience Card in all elements of the Event Group over 15 competition days at senior

Regional level or above (10 for Group 5). Within two years prior to the grading application must have had experience in officiating at National Championships or a meeting approved by the NOC. The completed Experience Card needs to be certified by the Regional Officials Coordinator before sitting the written examination.

- Passing the written examination 75% (as marked by a member of the NOC, for Group 4 "Walks" this shall be done in conjunction with an International Walk Judge).
- The completed Certified Practical Experience Card, the Exam paper and the Application for A grade need to be sent to the NOC for consideration before the A Grading can be granted.
- Course Measurement requirements please see ROE.
- PARA requirements, passing written exam 75%. Complete Practical Experience Card showing 4 days in each of the Jumps, Throws and Track Events.

Note:

- Officials who do not have access to competition at an appropriate level on a regular basis may apply to the National Officials Committee for special consideration of the Practical Proficiency Requirement at any Level.
- In exceptional circumstances the National Officials Committee in their absolute discretion may alter the specific conditions for a particular candidate upon application.
- ANZOES has been approved by the IAAF for recognition as an IAAF Level 1 programme.
- Officials involved in only Children's Athletics may receive Level C but are unable to advance to a higher level unless involved in Senior Athletics.
- Officials are required to maintain a Practical Experience Card during the qualifying period as evidence of their practical experience in each component of the Event group.

## **6. Advancement and Appointment**

Advancement through Levels shall be as follows:

- Level C assessments and all Practical Proficiency Evaluation may be taken at any time.
- Level B examinations may be taken after the expiration of 1 year after Level C Certification.
- Level A examinations may be taken after the expiration of 2 years after Level B Certification.
- Course Measurement has different requirements, which are available on application.
- Appointments for Level B & C shall be made by ROE's.
- Level A appointments will be made by the NOC on the recommendation of Regional Officials Educators.

## **7. Examinations and Maintenance of Grading's**

Written examination papers will include general questions across the whole Event Group and Event specific questions and will be prepared by the NOC. At all levels and in all Event Groups they will be an Open Book Exam/Assessment during which candidates may refer to the IAAF Competition Rule book, Athletics New Zealand Supplementary Rules, Combined Events Scoring Tables and IPC Rule Book only.

- Level A questions will include a range of problem solving and Para questions.
- Level C, B and A exams will be conducted and, in the case of Level C and B exams, marked by the ROE acting on behalf of the NOC.
- To maintain grading's at Level A an Official must have attended a Competition Officials Education Seminar within the previous 3-year period and provide evidence of continuing officiating service at national level.

Grading shall last for a maximum period of 4 years. The next termination date shall be 30 September 2020 and thereafter every 4 years on 30 September. At the termination date an Official can lose their current grading unless sitting and passing a further exam, attending at least one education seminar every 2 years (particularly relating to rule changes) or being recommended by the Regional Officials Coordinator for confirmation of current grading, with evidence of continuing service at the appropriate level.

## **8. Recognition**

On appointment to Level B an Official shall receive a letter of acknowledgement from ROE, together with a pin-on badge at current cost, with the wording Technical Official with no distinguishing identification of a

Group or Level being worn by an Official, merely the badge available from Athletics New Zealand on appointment to Level B. Certificates will also be issued to officials on passing level A, B and C exam papers.

#### **9. National Officials Committee**

The National Officials Committee in conjunction with Athletics New Zealand shall keep a current list of all Officials at Level A, B and C showing the date on which they were first appointed. Regions shall have access to this database.

#### **10. ANZOES and TOECS**

The link between ANZOES and the IAAF Technical Officials Education and Certification Scheme (TOECS) has been established as follows:

##### **TOECS Level 1**

To attend a TOECS Level 1 course an Official must have a minimum of at least one A and one B grading in Jumps, Throws, Track or Admin. Anyone attending the course must be approved by the NOC and other candidates not meeting the above criteria may be considered on a case by case basis. An Official achieving a passing grade in a TOECS Level 1 course who meets the above criteria will be granted T1 status. Other grading's may be awarded at the discretion of the NOC. Officials passing TOECS Level 1 may advance to ANZOES Level A in any of these groups, by passing the written examination and providing evidence of relevant practical experience. On achieving two Level A's in Jumps, Throws and Track the NOC may grant NTO (National Technical Official) grading.

##### **TOECS Level 2 (International Area)**

Officials who have passed a TOECS Level 2 course or have an appointment to one of the IAAF Panels will be designated T2, ITO Area, IRWJ or ICRO, as appropriate.

##### **TOECS Level 3 (International)**

Officials with Level 2 grading may be invited by the IAAF to upgrade to Level 3

#### **12. Rule Changes and Interpretations**

Information on Rule Changes and Interpretations is published on the Athletic New Zealand website [www.athletics.org.nz](http://www.athletics.org.nz) (News & Media). It will be the responsibility of the ROE to distribute information to other Officials.

#### **13. Appointments**

Appointments of Key Event Management and Competition Officials for all Athletics New Zealand Championships will require a Level A or B or higher grading as detailed in the Regulations relating to control of New Zealand Championships.

#### **14. Education**

This aspect is a high priority of ANZOES and IAAF TOECS. It is intended that an on-going Education Programme will be implemented which will ensure an adequate information flow is maintained with all Officials.

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