

If you are interested in becoming an official, see information below,

It depends what you would like to do, field officiating is a varied role and you would learn to cover all throws & all jumps, track officiating can be more focussed in one area such as timekeeping, photo-finish, track official (lap counting, watching lane infringements, making notes of finishing order, etc...) and starter (starting races).

I have written a process below on how to do field officiating as I am a Field Official, it is a similar process for track official.

If you want to do Field Judge Officiating, there is lots of information on these websites, [Track and Field officials' pathway - England Athletics](#) & [Field Judge Officiating Course | England Athletics](#). I would not bother with the assistants officials course, just go straight into the Level 1 course and the other courses (3 courses and DBS check), I will explain below.

1, You start by doing a online Level 1 Field Official – Virtual Classroom Course (4hrs in total – split over 2 days online – 2hrs each day) which cost £30 and you can claim this back from club, open this link [Athletics Hub](#) and do a search on 'Level 1 Field Official – Virtual Classroom' and there are a few dates available, you will have to create a log in I think using your URN number (England Athletics number for yourself if you have one).

2, Then you also need to do this free H&S online Course (90mins long), [Track & Field Health and Safety Online Course | England Athletics](#) or search via the [Athletics Hub](#).

3, Now you also have to do the online Safeguarding course and also you will need to do a police records disclosure check (DBS), for both of these look at link, [Safeguarding and DBS checks \(englandathletics.org\)](#) or search via the [Athletics Hub](#). You can do the H&S course and Safeguarding before you doing the Level 1 course, it does not matter on order I think.

I would recommend doing the Level 1 course as it gives you a basic understanding of Fields events, but also you learn more when you come and help out on competitions/league meetings, we will support you on this, etc...

We have various open and league meetings throughout the year where you could come along and try out various events (track, photo, field, starter) shadowing officials to see what you would like to do going forward.

Some people do a number of roles like Nigel our Starter for most events is also a Field Official. I just do Field Officiating but may do something track related next year.

Any queries let me know on email or you can ask me (I am there most Tues & Weds training), Alan Brown (Alan is there Weds & Thurs coaching) or Ray Bell (Weds) down the track.

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