OFFICIALS

Whether you are beginning your journey as an official, or an existing official looking to progress, there are qualifications to suit everyone. Every club trying to run an athletics event or organise an athletics meeting needs officials.



Those who become involved with athletics, other than

competing, are usually parents or family members whose children have joined a local club. Invariably parents get asked to help out at club meetings by officiating on the track or on the field.

There can never be too many officials at an athletics meeting. Every qualified official had to start somewhere, usually by offering their services at a League or Open meeting. You would not be expected to work alone, but as part of a team. Experienced officials are only too willing to give encouragement and advice to newcomers.

The starting point is to become a level 1 track and field official. Anyone aged 14 or over can work under the supervision of a qualified UKA Technical Official in a specific discipline (choice of Track, Field, Timekeeping, Photo-finish and Starter/ Starter's Assistant) and work towards becoming a qualified official (when aged 16 or over).

Whether it is working on the field, judging track races, being a timekeeper or a starter/marksman why not come along to a meeting and 'give it a go. Every track official at the Commonwealth games, European championships and Olympics started this way.

If you are interested in officiating for RSCAC please contact the membership secretary (RoyalSuttonColdfieldAC@gmail.com