



## Dates to Remember:

June 15-16 Indiana JO at Ball State

June 22 Indiana Open/Master at Ball State



Torrent Rain Jacket \$55.95  
Rain Pants Black \$55.00

## Mike's Laps-

Spring is in the air (after the wind and snow) and you are all busy heading out and about to all of your meets I just want to give out some kudos to two of our new officials: Holly and Jason McCammack from Warsaw. I received a call from the Officials Coordinator for the Great Lakes Interscholastic Athletic Conference a few weeks ago needing officials, several officials from Indiana answered the call. Holly and Jason volunteered to travel to Saginaw, Mi and work the meet. They have been working high schools meets for a number of years and **the GLIAC Indoor Championships was their first-ever NCAA meet.** They did a great job and picked-up a "boat-load" of knowledge. It was baptism under fire and they responded like pros. I am very proud of Holly and Jason, as I am with all who are out and about demonstrating their willingness to work, skills and knowledge to the other associations across the country. USATF Indiana has a super group of Officials! People do notice us and are relaying that message to others. See you at the Ring!

## USATF Officials Performance Evaluation Overview

Evaluations are completed for officials who work and apply for these USATF national championship meets: Senior Indoor and Outdoor Championships; Maters Indoor and Outdoor Championships; U20 (Junior Outdoor Championships; Junior Olympics; and Youth Indoor and Outdoor Championships.

- Event heads write an evaluation for each of their crew members, and one of two crew members and the appropriate referee(s) write evaluations for the event head
- Once an evaluation is submitted, the rated official is notified that it's available online for confidential review
- Association Certification Chairs also write recommendations to the USAT Selection Committee on all their local officials who have applied for USATF national meets.

Evaluations for the meets are comprised of two distinct parts:

### 1. Selection Recommendation

This is the evaluator's recommendation to the Selection Committee regarding the rated official's suitability for selection for the three future USATF national championship meets: Senior Indoor and Outdoor Championships, and U20 (Junior) Outdoor Championships.

Evaluators provide a rating using the following scale, plus comments to support the rating:

1. Definitely select as an official again
2. Consider selecting as an official again
3. Do not select as official again

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- [Indiana Officials Web site:](#)
- [USATF Indiana Gear:](#)
- [USATF.org](#)
- [Indiana.usatf.org](#)
- [NCAA.org/playing-rules](#)
- [Best Practices](#)
- [USATF Rule Book](#)
- [NCAA Rule Book](#)
- [Paralympic Rule Book](#)



Long Sleeve Polo  
\$29.00

Don't forget to check your USATF membership renewal and background check. This can be done at [USATF.org](#) in



Congratulations to Mike as he accepts the President's Award from USATF Indiana  
President Latashia Key

**NFHS Rule: 4.6.5 Assistance continued**

- c. Competitors joining or grasping hands with each other during a race.
- d. Communicating with a competitor through the use of any device, including electronically, during a race or trial.
- e. Coaching a competitor from a restricted area.
- f. A competitor using an aid during a race or trial.
- g. Competitor receiving assistance from another competitor to complete the race. Both competitors shall be disqualified unless a competitor is injured or becomes ill and an appropriate health care professional is not available, only the injured or ill competitor is disqualified.
- h. Receiving physical aid during a race or trial from another person

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**2. Performance Appraisal**

This provides feedback to the official regarding their performance at that meet – both overall as well as in 15 specific areas. Raters provide comments on strengths, weaknesses, and areas for improvement. The information in this section is seen only by the individual official who was evaluated. This information is not provided to the Selection Committee.

Evaluators provide a rating, using the following scale, plus comments  
 Excellent      Good      Fair      Not Observed  
 Actual instruments can be found at:

- Evaluations for Crew Members
- Evaluation for Event Heads

**NCAA Rule Field Event Time Limits**

Time in Minutes for Initiating Field Events Number of athletes in competition at the start of a bar height

	Individual Event			Combined Events		
	HJ	PV	Other	HJ	PV	Other
More than 3	0.5	1	0.5	0.5	1	0.5
2 or 3	1.5	2	1	1.5	2	1
1	3	5	-	2	3	-
Consecutive Trials						
- 2 or more*	2	3	2	2	3	2

\* Within a height for individual, always for combined. Note: In the Pole Vault, one minute shall be allowed for the first trial of a competitor first entering the competition. In the High Jump, 30 seconds shall be allowed for the first trial of a competitor first entering the competition.

**USATF RULE 332 COMPETITIVE RULES AND STANDARDS FOR MASTERS TRACK AND FIELD**

(c) In the vertical jumps, a competitor who has not taken an initial trial in at least one (1) hour from the first trial of the competition, shall be allowed, under the direction of the event official, to use the runway and landing areas without the crossbar to warm-up with one attempt within one minute. Such warm-up shall occur at the change of the bar to the height the competitor enters the competition.

(h) In the long jump and triple jump, more than one take-off board may be used even within a single age division. All take-off boards shall measure 0.20m in width. In the long jump, one or two take-off boards may be used, one of which shall be 0.5m or 1m from the nearer end of the landing area. In the triple jump, (i) two or more take-off boards may be used, (ii) when more than one take-off board is used, each take-off board shall be placed in full meters apart from the take-off line closest to the nearer end of the landing area. The take-off boards may consist of material other than wood. Each jumper shall declare prior to each jump which board he or she will use. Plasticine is not required.

**NFHS Rule: 4.6.5 Assistance**  
Assistance includes:

- a. Interference with another competitor
- b. Pacing by a teammate not in the race or persons not participating in the event.