



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

Links:

- 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](#)

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

Officials' Applications for Championships Meets:
Officials' applications for spring and summer championship meets are available for your review on the NOC website.

NCAA Rule 4.3.1--Competitors who are not in proper uniform compliance shall not compete until a compliant uniform is worn. The competition will not be delayed to accommodate compliance with the rule.

Mike's Laps-

As the Certification Chair, I receive many emails each week from our officials. I recently received an email from one of our veteran officials who asked, basically-- "What does the USATFIN Association do for me?"

Wow! That smacked me upside the head. I am sure that this is a question that you have asked yourself at some point. I offer, that the association provides many benefits such as: keeping you up-to-date through informative emails and this monthly newsletter. Our new website is about ready to be populated and should find up-to-date information here as you did from the old site. The new site can be found by going to the USATF Indiana site. We try to keep you abreast of the dates of association meets, rules changes, membership renewals, certification and recertification procedures, officials apparel, plus much more. The yearly clinic and awards celebration is placed in December to bring to you the "hot off the presses" information we have from the National Annual Meeting. We are always looking to provide mentoring and mentee opportunities. The association meets are vital not only to our youth but to our officials to interact and learn from one another.

Being a product of the 60's, and usually paying attention to what was going on, will always remember what JFK stated in his inaugural address: "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country". This statement should remind us we have the responsibility to be involved in the association and by our involvement the association will become more vibrant. What have you done recently for the good of our association and the athletes that need our help in our association meets.? You would not have continued to be a part of this Association over the last 5, 10, 20, 30, or 40 years if you were not getting something out of it. What do you get out of being a member?

My big take-away from this question are the relationships that I have made with many of you. You have mentored me, trained me, guided me, laughed with me (and at me), cried with me, and given me friendship beyond expectation! What DO you get out of this? You get out of this what you put into it. Pure and Simple

Email your response to "what do you get out of being a member". I'll compile and include some of your responses in next months' newsletter Please take the time to send me your thoughts. Thanks. Mike

Published NOC Official Upgrade Requirements

With recent changes made by the NOC to standardize upgrade policy for all Associations changes will be made for upgrading to a new level. At the present time, you will be grand-fathered into the level you are currently.

CURRENT CERTIFICATION UPGRADE REQUIREMENTS as of April 2019.

Criteria	Upgrade to Association Level	Upgrade to National Level	Upgrade to Master Level
Serve in current certification level for at least	2 years	2 years	2 years
Work a minimum number of meets at the current certification level in the discipline concerned	At least 8 Meets	At least 10 meets; of which 2 must be outside the home Assn, or be Regn'l, Nat'l, or Internat'l meets	At least 12 meets; of which 2 must be Regn'l, Nat'l, or Internat'l meets; plus 2 more of those, or 2 outside the home Assn

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SafeSport Update: There have been some recent updates regarding SafeSport. These updates have come to USATF from the US Center for SafeSport. Here is some information that applies to our officials:

- Your SafeSport Certification is valid through the 2020 Olympiad
- SafeSport has developed an annual Refresher course. This course is not required at this time.
- New SafeSport Certifications can only be completed online. The use of the DVD in group settings is not currently allowed. The NOC is working to try and re-instate the group option.



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\$29.00

WPA Immediate Rule Changes by Carrol DeWeese

Due to recent IAAF rule changes, World Para Athletics (WPA) has decided to enforce with immediate effect an amendment to the following WPA Rules:

- Rule 23.10
- Rule 23.20
- Rule 24.6
- Rule 24.17
- Rule 52

Of these rule changes, the most important change is in Rule 24.17, which changes the time limits for athletes to make their attempt and goes back to the former 1 minute minimum instead of 1/2 minute.

Number of athletes	High Jump	Other Events	Seated Throws
More than 3	1 min.	1 min.	1 min.
2 or 3	1.5 min.	1 min.	1 min.
1	3 min.	-	-
Consecutive trials	2 min.	2 min.	1 min.

I have attached the letter from World Para Athletics talking about the changes and giving a chart of each specific rule change. Please read it to get yourself up-to-date.

High School Rule: 6-6-11, 6-8-12: Records measurement in discus and javelin to the nearest less inch or centimeter.

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Have positive written upgrade recommendations from officials worked with or under	From 1 Master or 1 National level official (addressing the discipline concerned)	From 2 Master, or 1 Master & 1 National level official (addressing the discipline concerned)	From 3 Master level officials (addressing the discipline concerned)
Complete required Rules Reviews with minimum required score	Yes, for overall upgrade; or for a graded discipline with a test	Yes, for overall upgrade; or for a graded discipline with a test	Yes, for overall upgrade; or for a graded discipline with a test
Meet the certification level definition of being ready to:	Take on more responsibility in home association meets	Take on more responsibility outside home Assn, & serve as a head official within home Assn	Serve as a head official at major regional and national meets

NOTE: Additional Association certification must be uniformly by the certifying USATF Association and comply with the requirements Section 14 and 15 of the National Officials' Certification Regulation Edition: 2019-1

Officials remember you need to follow this process for each event that you wish to be certified by the NOC. Ex. You may be a Master in the Verticals, but National in the throws.

The chart is self-explanatory except for Meet the certification level definition of being ready to:

The Indiana Certification Committee has selected to the following for this category.

An official must work 4 out of 12 Association meets within a two year period and attend 1 out of 2 clinics for a 2 year period. As an Apprentice, National or Master official must meet these requirements as well as the requirements by the NOC.

More information can be found at:

NOC Upgrade Levels: <http://www.usatf.org/usatf/files/25/25ea5b3-e2ef-495c-b943-285b0f41ace2.pdf>

NOC Upgrade Application: <http://www.usatf.org/usatf/files/24/2441c016-2cc8-451a-8cde-738091858f65.pdf>

Implemented Immediately: Rule for Field Event Time Limits Changes for USATF and IAAF

Total # of Athletes remaining in the competition at the Start of the Round	TIME IN MINUTES FOR INITIATING A FIELD EVENT TRIAL					
	Individual Event			Combined Event		
	HJ	PV	Other	HJ	PV	Other
More than 3 or the very first trial for a competitor	1*	1	1*	1*	1	1*
2 or 3	1.5	2	1	1.5	2	1
1	3	5	--	2	3	--
Consecutive Trials	2	3	2	2	3	2

* For Youth Athletics, this time shall be one minute.