

Officials' Recertification

Requirements for the 2025-2028 Olympiad

The certification of all USATF officials expires at the end of each Olympiad.

Officials wishing to recertify for the 2025-2028 Olympiad must accomplish all of the actions outlined below, preferably by Dec 31, 2024, but not later than Mar 31, 2025 to avoid being classified as "Inactive".

- USATF Membership.** Must be an active member of USATF. [Click here](#) to renew your membership online if needed. If nearing the end of the year, please wait until after Nov 1. The membership fee is \$55.00 per year if purchased annually; \$50.00 per year if purchased for a four-year period (available only for certified officials). There is a processing fee added by USATF.
- Recertification Form.** Must complete the 2025-2028 Official's Recertification Form. [Click here](#) to get a paper copy of the form or click [here](#) for the on-line version at the National Officials Committee Dashboard.
- Rules Review.** Must achieve a passing score on the rules review(s) appropriate to your certification level and discipline. Click [here](#) to access all Rules Reviews on the National Officials Committee Dashboard and click on the Rules Reviews link. All officials - certified at any level - take the same Basic Rules Review for T&F and LDR; it can be completed online with scores reported immediately to the official and to their Certification Chair. Separate, *additional* reviews are required for certain officials, as indicated below.

All Officials	Basic Rules Review – true/false & multiple-choice questions; taken & scored online or by paper
National & Master Level Officials	Advanced Rules Review - Short answer & essay questions; taken online or by paper, scored by Cert Chair
RW, Graded Disciplines, etc	Specialty Rules Review – taken online or by paper, scored by Cert Chair

- Certification Fee.** Must make payment of the national certification fee of \$20.00 for the 4-year Olympiad. Note: some associations may require additional fees or may pay these fees for their officials.
- SafeSport Training.** Must complete the online SafeSport training mandated by the US Olympic Committee – both the Core Course and annual Refresher Course. Training is accessed through your USATF Connect profile.
- Background Screen.** Must have a current USATF background screening by NCSI - conducted within the past 2 years. The background screen is accessed through your USATF Connect profile To verify the completion date of any previous screen, [click here](#) and provide the requested info. If the date is within the past 2 years, you don't need another background screen until it is close to expiring. If needed, [click here](#) to initiate the process. You'll need your USATF membership number and password, and there is a \$22.00 cost.
- Additional Training.** Must complete any Association requirements for training, testing, or an officiating resume.
- Photo.** Must have a current photo (jpeg format preferred) in your USATF Connect profile.
- Note:** Officials who were certified for the first time during 2024 will be moved to the 2025-2028 Olympiad, so items 2, 3, 4, and 6 above are not required, but all other items above must be accomplished.

Other News for Officials

- Official's Personal Record** Access your official's profile, through Sport80 to see your: certifications, status of background screen & SafeSport training, membership number, photo, links to resources, and more.
- National Officials' Shirt & USATF Rule Books** All officials who recertify for the new Olympiad will receive one navy blue Nike officials' polo shirt at no cost. Check your USATF profile (see above) to ensure the correct size is entered in your record. [Click here](#) to purchase additional shirts for a price of \$50.00, plus shipping or other USATF Certified Officials gear. You must create your own account on this site.

4. Certification Level Upgrade If you believe you're qualified for an upgrade in your certification level, [click here](#) to see the Certification Regulation, Upgrade Criteria, Upgrade Application, and Upgrade Checklists. Prepare the required documentation to support your request and contact your Certification Chair.