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Officials Certification Process:

LEVEL I - RED PIN

1. Complete the Level 1 clinic for Timekeeper and Safety Marshal.

LEVEL II - WHITE PIN

1. Certify in Level I by obtaining successful deck evaluations in each of Timekeeper and Safety Marshall;
2. Complete the clinic for Judge of Stroke/Inspector of Turns and one other Level II clinic listed below;
3. Certify in those positions by obtaining two successful deck evaluations in each position:
 - Judge of Stroke/Inspector of Turns (counts as 1 position) - REQUIRED;
 - Clerk of Course;
 - Chief Timekeeper;
 - Meet Manager;
 - Chief Finish Judge/Chief Judge Electronics/Recorder Scorer (counts as 1 position);
 - Starter.

NOTE: There are separate clinics for Chief Finish Judge, Chief Judge Electronics and Recorder Scorer. In some areas of the province these three clinics are combined into one. In order to complete the certification you must work two sessions as Chief Finish Judge and two sessions as Recorder Scorer.

LEVEL III - ORANGE PIN

1. Certified in Level II;
2. Complete all of the clinics for the positions listed under Level II;
3. Certify in three additional positions listed under Level II by obtaining two successful deck evaluation in each position;
4. Conduct a Level I clinic under the direction of a Level IV or V official.

LEVEL IV - GREEN PIN

1. Successful completion of the following requirements in the following order:
 - Certify in all positions listed under Level II;
 - Successfully complete the Referee clinic;
 - Gain experience as a Referee at a minimum of five sessions over a minimum of three competitions
 - Conduct a minimum of two Level II officials clinics within the year of application under the direction of a Level IV or V official;



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- Complete one year of active service as a Level III official. *(Note: it is important in this first year of active service, that you gain as much experience as you can, not only in referee roles, but other deck roles. Gain experience with a number of different types of meets from one-session development meets, to multi-day meets that have heats/finals. The more diversified experience you gain as a referee and continue to gain as an official in other roles on deck, will serve positively in your development as an effective and successful Referee).*
- 2. Obtain the approval of the provincial Officials' Chairperson or his designate to be evaluated. Requests should be submitted to Randy Ball randellball48@gmail.com.
- 3. Two **successful** evaluations in the position of Referee by a Level V official. A Level V official will be appointed by the Referee Development Advisory group to conduct the evaluation.

LEVEL V - BLUE PIN

1. Complete a minimum of one year of active service as a Level IV official;
 2. Organize, conduct and/or supervise a minimum of two Level II clinics within the year of application;
 3. Work a minimum of two sessions at a SNC designated (National) meet at any position;
 5. Provide the information required by the National Officials Competition and Rules Committee for the appointment of Master Officials to the provincial Officials Chairperson.
- If the provincial Officials' Chairperson is satisfied that the candidate has met all requirements, the candidate's name and the required information will be presented to the Officials Competition and Rules Committee representative for certification of the candidate as a National Official (Blue Pin).
 - If the National Officials Competition and Rules Committee representative certifies the candidate as a national official, a congratulatory letter and Master Official certification card will be sent to the candidate.

Click on this link for a full copy of the [Certification Pathway document](#).