

4. Field Referee(s)

4.1 Appointment & Duties

- i. Separate Referees shall be appointed for jumps and throws and for events outside the stadium (IAAF 124.1).
- ii. It shall be the responsibility of a Referee to:
 - a. Ensure that the rules are observed and explained to the competitors.
 - b. Decide any technical points that arise during the Carnival, including those not covered by the rules (IAAF 124.2)
 - c. Ensure the Chief Judges correctly supervise the measurement of performances.
 - d. Check and sign the final results.
 - e. Deal with any disputed points (IAAF 124.3).
 - f. Verify that records have been correctly measured and verify High Jump record attempts are measured prior to trials being taken.
- iii. The appropriate Referee shall rule on any protest or objection regarding the conduct of the competition. They shall have authority to warn, or exclude from the competition, any competitor guilty of improper conduct (IAAF 124.4).
- iv. Protests concerning the status of an athlete to compete in a Carnival must be made prior to the commencement of such Carnival to the Jury of Appeal, or if no Jury has been appointed, to the Referee. If the matter cannot be settled satisfactorily prior to the Carnival the athlete shall be allowed to compete "under protest" (IAAF 146.1).
- v. If in the opinion of the Referee circumstances arise at any Carnival so that justice demands that any event should be contested again, the Referee shall have the power to declare the event void and such event shall be held again, either on the same day or on some future occasion (IAAF 124.5).
- vi. If for any reason a competitor is hampered in a trial in a field event, the Referee shall have the power to award that competitor a substitute trial (IAAF 180.16).

Note

- It is desirable that Referees visit the ground prior to the meet.
- They should check the landing areas, runways, takeoff areas, circles and boards, making sure that everything is in order.
- During the Carnival they should move around checking measurements, observing the way officials are carrying out their duties, speeding up things where officials and/or competitors are unnecessarily slow.
- They must be familiar with the rules in this booklet.

Further Reading - IAAF 124