



## 2020 USATF South Carolina Annual Meeting Certification Committee/Officer Report

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<b>Chair/Officer Title:</b>	Certification Chair
<b>Chair/Officer Name:</b>	Norman Venyah
<b>Reporting Period:</b>	September 2019 - August 2020
<b>Report Date:</b>	8/23/2020
<b>Committee Members:</b>	William Archie Ard, John Blackburn, Patricia Frye, Freddie Young

### Committee Program Activities/Events/Projects:

Certify and recertify officials  
Share officiating tips with officials via email  
Verify officials' certifications for USATF meets  
Evaluate officials that apply for major USATF T&F meets  
Ensure that officials are current on certification requirements  
Oversee the discussion and voting for officials requesting upgrade to National, Master, and Referee Levels  
Encourage and assist officials in their desire to upgrade to the next certification level through email conversations, phone conversations, and mentoring  
Inform officials of officiating opportunities via email  
Select officials for the Outstanding SC Official Award. The officials for 2020 are:

1. Maurice Campbell – Masters Level
2. Steve Mullaney – Association Level
3. Mark Rumph – Association Level

As of 8/16/20, the USATF Connect system lists 170 officials of which 54 are currently certified and 9 are suspended. Based on the 2010 census we have still met the accreditation requirement of 46 certified officials. Covid-19 has affected the number of officials that have renewed background checks and SafeSport training. Recertification begins in November and all officials interested in officiating in 2021 will have until March 31, 2021, to recertify. Recertification includes taking the new Rules Review for your certification level, completing a recertification application, supplying a resume to support maintaining the certification level, updating the officials' profile in the USATF Connect system, being current on background check and SafeSport training, and paying the \$25 recertification fee. **I will send information to the officials for recertification when the new Rules Reviews are ready in November.**

As of 8/16/20, this is the breakdown of the currently certified SC officials:

- 2- Unknown classification due to Connect system flaws. Will be verified during recertification.
- 16- Apprentice
- 18- Association
- 11- National
- 7- Master



Committee Program Goals:

Prepare SC officials to become National and Master officials capable of working National Championship meets and representing SC in a positive manner.

Search for qualified SC officials who can be nominated for National Officials Awards and the Hall of Fame

Project/Program Expenses:

As of 8/23/20, expenses were \$381.84 that paid for printer ink, printer paper, postage for mailing badges, hanging folders, and manilla folders. I expect postage expense to be much higher in 2021, due to recertification that will require me to mail out as many as 100 badges with badge holder and official's pin at a cost of about \$3.80 per mailing. That estimation of \$380.00 just for mailing is dependent on how Covid-19 affects the track season and how many of the 170 officials decide to recertify.