

P25 RACE OFFICIALS LICENCE POLICY

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INTRODUCTION

This policy sets out the Grading Classifications, guidance on the recommended minimum number of Essential Race Officials required at all levels of Karting Australia (KA) Competition within Australia and the requirements, responsibilities, and procedures for a Race Official to obtain, upgrade and maintain their KA Race Official Licence.

Note: In this Policy, certain administrative responsibilities that reference the SKA, State Officials Co-Ordinator and/or the State Technical Officer may be delegated to the State Administrator for the fulfillment of the administrative responsibilities associated with the identified responsibilities.

PURPOSE

This policy will provide guidance to Member State Associations, State Official's Co-Ordinator's, State Technical officers, National Officials Co-Ordinator and their Deputy, National Technical Commissioner and their Deputy Clubs and Organisers when providing Race Officials at all levels of Competition. This guidance seeks to create sporting integrity, enjoyment, and a safe racing environment for Competitors to apply the rules fairly and consistently.

The procedures have been implemented to clearly define the requirements to obtain, retain and/or upgrade a KA Race Official Licence.

RACE OFFICIAL

Race Officials (Levels 1, 2, 3 and 4) as described in this Policy are Graded and Licensed to Officiate at Karting Australia Competitions.

License Gradings are generally based on a combination of factors* including:

- karting and/or general motorsport experience,
- satisfactory completion of Basic Training – Level 4 Grading
- satisfactory completion of the relevant Official's Development Courses (in the Karting Australia Officials Academy) stipulated in this Policy for Levels 3, 2 and 1.
- being assessed as having:
 - satisfactorily officiated at and gained competency endorsements as a Race Official from the Chief Steward at the requisite number of Meetings detailed in the Upgrade Requirements of this Policy to warrant being upgraded to the next higher Official's Grading, and
 - a sound working knowledge of the Karting Australia National Competition Rules, and
 - enthusiasm for the sport

* Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) may be taken into account

KARTING ACTIVITY CONTROLLER – Level 5

Nothing in this Policy, shall act in any way to prohibit a Race Official from acting as a KAC at an Organised and Permitted **Karting Activity** (non-competitive, recreational or social karting). It is highly recommended that Race Officials complete the specific social **Karting Activity Controller** courses:

- "Social Karting – Controller Responsibilities and Requirements", and
- "Social Karting – Club Responsibilities and Requirements"

prior to performing the duties of a KAC.

POLICY APPLIES TO

The policy applies to all National Officials, State Official's Co-Ordinator's, State Technical Officers, Member States, Affiliated Clubs and all KA Licenced Race Officials.

OBJECTIVES

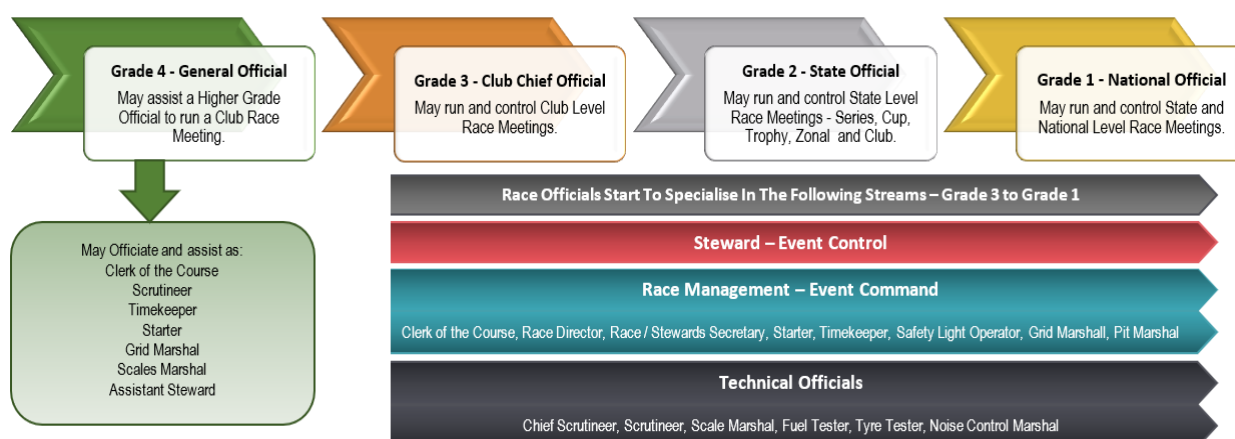
This policy is intended to achieve the following objectives:

1. Simplify and align the grading system with world's best practice.
2. Clearly define the Licencing, Upgrade and Retention requirements for all levels of Race Officials
3. Enable Club Level meetings to be more easily conducted using locally available Race Officials.
4. Provide a clear pathway for all Officials.
5. Reinvigorate Officials to become active in the running of Club Meetings.

RULE REFERENCES

General Rules, Chapter 7, Rule 2, and NCR Appendix 1.

RACE OFFICIALS' PROGRESSION PATHWAY



The list of Race Officials and the Accredited Officiating Disciplines include:

STEWARDS (Event Control)

- Steward

RACE MANAGEMENT OFFICIALS (Event Command)

- Race Director
- Starter
- Pit Marshal
- Flag Marshal / Safety Light Operator
- Race Secretary
- Race Prosecutor
- Grid Marshal
- Clerk of the Course (including Assistants)
- Chief Timekeeper and Timekeeper
- Officials (Stewards) Secretary

TECHNICAL OFFICIALS (Scrutineers)

- Chief Scrutineer
- Scrutineer
- Scales Marshal
- Fuel Tester
- Tyre Tester
- Noise Control Marshal

ASSISTANTS

Nothing in this Policy, shall act to prevent a person 16 years of age or older from assisting under supervision, any of the Officials appointed to an Event albeit that they do not hold a graded Race Officials Licence.

In all instances, a person who is required by State law to apply for and be provided with a Working With Children Check (15 years of age in South Australia and 18 years of age in other jurisdictions) must do so prior to acting as an assistant to a Race Official.

Working With Children Check

A person who is required by State Law to obtain a Working with Children Check must apply for and obtain such approval prior to being issued with a Karting Australia Race Officials' Licence or a Karting Activity Controller Licence and must always maintain it as current while acting as Race Official or a Karting Activity Controller.

This is an absolute requirement under STATE LAW - NO EXCEPTIONS!

Minimum Essential Race Officials (Showing Minimum Official's Grading Required)

Official	CLUB	STATE & ZONAL LEVEL COMPETITION	NATIONAL LEVEL COMPETITION	
	Club Competition Refer: <i>General Rules, Chapter 7, Rule 4 (b)</i>	State Cup, State Series, State Trophy, Zonal Competition	State Championship	National Championship, National Series, National Cup
Chief Steward	1 at Level 3 or higher	1 at Level 2 or higher	1 at Level 1 for: NSW, Qld. Vic, WA. 1 at Level 2 for: NT, SA, Tas.	1 at Level 1
Steward	Refer General Rules Chapter 7 Rule 6 c) "At a Club level Meeting, any other Official may act as a Steward for the purpose of the conduct of a Steward's Hearing <u>provided that the Chief Steward shall perform the duties of Chair for the Hearing.</u> "	Minimum of 3 Stewards <u>in total including the Chief</u> 1 at Level 3 or higher. Plus At least 1 other , at any Level	Minimum of 4 Stewards in <u>total including the Chief</u> 2 at Level 2 or higher. Plus At least 2 others , 1 of which must be at least a Level 3 Steward	Minimum of 4 Stewards in total <u>including the Chief</u> 2 at Level 2 or higher Plus At least 2 others , 1 of which must be at least a Level 3 Steward
Clerk of the Course (COC)	At least 1 COC at Level 4** or higher if less than 35 Entries At least 1 COC at Level 3** or higher if more than 35 Entries	1 COC at Level 2 or higher At least 2 other COC's. 1 of which must be a Level 3 or higher	1 COC at Level 2 or higher At least 2 other COC's. 1 of which must be a Level 3 or higher	1 Race Director Plus 1 Level 1 COC At least 3 other COC's at Level 3 or higher
Chief Scrutineer	At least 1 Required - at any Level	1 x Level 3 or higher	1 x Level 2 or higher	1 x Level 1
Scrutineer/s		At least 2 Scrutineers in total are required. At least 1 at any other Level	At least 3 Scrutineers in total are required. At least 2 others. At least 1 must be at Level 3 or higher	At least 4 Scrutineers in total are require At least 3 at Level 3 or higher
Timekeeper	1 at any Level	1 at any Level	1 at any Level but be experienced at Club, Zonal and State	1 at any Level but be experienced at Club, Zonal and State

****** Must have a clear understanding of the Start, Re-start, Race Stoppage and Race Finish Rules - Competition Rules, Chapter 1, Rules 22 – 26 if they are fulfilling the role of the Starter.

A Race Official may hold different Licence levels for different duties of officiating at any time (e.g., they could be a Level 1 Clerk of the Course and a Level 2 Steward).

DEFINITIONS

In addition to the definitions contained in the NCR's, the following definitions shall apply to this Policy.

Approved (or Approval)

Means an approval given to a Race Official in accordance with this Policy:

- **By the SKA**

By either the State Officials Co-ordinator, State Technical Officer, or State Administrator/Secretary and in accordance with authority provided by the SKA.

- **By the National Officials Co-Ordinator or the National Technical Commissioner**

By either the National Officials Co-ordinator, National Technical Commissioner, or the respective Deputy in each of those roles in accordance with authority provided by KA.

- **By the National Official's Review Panel**

By a properly empaneled meeting of the National Official's Review Panel in accordance with authority provided by KA.

- **By KA**

By either the Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Operating Officer of KA in accordance with authority provided by KA.

Basic Training means the successful completion of the Basic Training Program in the Karting Australia Officials Academy that all Race Officials must undertake prior to the issuing of their first Graded Race Official Licence.

Graded Race Official Licence means any of a Grade 4, Grade 3, Grade 2, or Grade 1 Race Official Licence that may be issued to a Race Official in accordance with the Rules and this Policy by either an SKA or Karting Australia.

Junior Race Official means a person who has attained the age of 14 years, who has successfully completed the Junior Race Officials Courses and who has been issued with a Junior Race Official Licence in accordance with the Rules and this Policy by either an SKA or Karting Australia. They may continue to act in the capacity of a Junior Official until they have attained the age of 18 years.

Junior Race Official Courses means the "Officiating 101" and "Respect Karting" Courses in the Officials Academy.

National Official's Review Panel means an ad hoc committee of at least three (3) persons, convened by Karting Australia that may include the National Officials Co-Ordinator and/or National Technical Commissioner and/or Deputy National Officials Co-Ordinator and/or Deputy National Technical Commissioner and/or a member of the Executive Commission under the Chair of the Chief Operating Officer or their delegate.

New Course means any Course/s that may be added to the Officials Academy after 1 October 2022.

Officials Academy means the Karting Australia Officials Academy, Karting Australia's online training facility where we provide basic and advanced training courses that cover a range of subjects that are relevant to officiating at Karting Australia Activities and Race Meetings.

Official's Development Course means any of the Non-Basic Training Courses in the Officials Academy which include but may not be limited to: "Race Control & Management", "Stewards Training", "Safety Management", "Administration", and "Technical and Judges".

PBTR Courses means Play By The Rules Mini Courses means the online "[Introduction to the Integrity of Sport](#)" and "[Making Sport Inclusive, Safe and Fair](#)" (Note: this course is valid for two years only.)

Race Official means a person who has attained the age of 16 years, has completed Karting Australia's Basic Training and been issued with a Graded Race Official Licence in accordance with the Rules and this Policy by either an SKA or Karting Australia and who is not a Junior Official.



Remote Club means a Club that is at least 200km from the nearest Affiliated Club.

RPL Applicant means a person over the age of 16 years who has made an application for an RPL Assessment.

RPL Assessment (Recognition of Prior Learning) means the assessment process conducted by the National Official's Review Panel through which a person's skills, knowledge and experience can be taken into consideration in determining the initial grade of Race Official Licence issued and the training that may be required, prior to the issuing or upgrading a Race Official Licence, even if not all the stated Licence accreditation, attainment, retention, and upgrade requirements have been met.

Updated Course means any Officials Academy Course that is updated from time to time to reflect best practices and/or new or amended Rules or processes.



RACE OFFICIAL'S LICENCE

COMMENCEMENT, UPGRADE and RETENTION REQUIREMENTS

JUNIOR RACE OFFICIAL

General

1. A person applying to become a Junior Race Official is required to have successfully completed the Junior Race Officials Courses.
2. A Junior Race Official may assist a Licenced Race Official and act under their direct supervision of a Senior Graded Official at Race Meetings in any of the following duties:
 - Grid Marshal,
 - Starter,
 - Scales Marshal,
 - Timekeeper,
 - Scrutineering,
 - Clerk of the Course.
3. A Junior Race Official is required to officiate at a minimum of three (3) Race Meetings annually to retain their Licence.

JUNIOR RACE OFFICIAL UPGRADING TO A SENIOR RACE OFFICIAL

A Junior Official who is at least 16 years of age, and who wishes to become a Senior Race Official, should follow the procedures outlined in the Level 4 Race Official section of this Policy to become accredited as a Senior Race Official.

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SENIOR - GRADED RACE OFFICIALS

BASIC TRAINING IS REQUIRED TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY ALL GRADED RACE OFFICIALS.

All new Race Officials are required to complete Karting Australia's Basic Training before being issued with a Race Official's Licence.

In this Policy the term "successfully completed" when used in conjunction with Basic Training, PBTR Mini Courses, or any of the Event Control, Event Command, Technical, online training course modules, means that the Official has passed the test that follows each training Course. It is NOT NECESSARY NOR IS IT A REQUIREMENT, FOR AN OFFICIAL TO REPEAT these online training courses on a regular basis.

Level 4 is the starting point for most* Karting Australia Race Officials.

Unless a person has been granted a positive RPL Assessment in accordance with this Policy, the Training and Upgrade Assessment conditions detailed herein will apply.

If a positive RPL Assessment has been granted, some or all of the Training or Grading requirements may be adjusted or waived by an SKA and/or Karting Australia.

* [See the RPL Assessment policy herein.](#)

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING

RPL Assessment

Each RPL Assessment will be made on an individual case-by-case basis by the National Official's Review Panel.

An RPL Assessment approval, may, but will not normally override the necessity for a Race Official to complete Basic Training.

Unless otherwise approved by KA, a person seeking an RPL Assessment must:

1. Complete an RPL Assessment Application Form and submit it to the SKA from which they are seeking to obtain a Race Official Licence.
2. Provide supporting evidence of the skills, knowledge and experience that supports the application.
3. Provide contact details of any referee/s who can support the RPL Assessment Application.

The SKA that receives the completed Application form will, upon its receipt:

1. Forward the completed RPL Assessment Application Form to Karting Australia that will be presented to the National Officials Review Panel.
2. Provide a properly considered recommendation that either supports or rejects the RPL Assessment Application to admin@karting.net.au
3. The decision of the National Officials Review Panel will be final.

UPGRADE ASSESSMENT

An Upgrade Assessment must be conducted prior to an Official being elevated to a higher-level of Race Official's Licence.

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The purpose of an Upgrade Assessment is to determine the competency of an Official to move from their current Licence grade to a higher grade of Race Official's Licence after they have obtained the requisite number of competency endorsements specified in this Policy i.e. Level 4 to level 3, level 3 to level 2 and level 2 to level 1.

For all Officials up to and including Level 2, a formal assessment will be conducted for:

- a Race Control Officials' Assessment or Stewards Assessment, by the State or National Official's Co-ordinator.
- a Scrutineer Assessment, must be approved by the State Technical Officer or the National Technical Commissioner.

For all Officials seeking an upgrade to Level 1, an assessment must be conducted by the National Officials Review Panel.

The Assessment may include the successful completion of an online test in the Karting Australia Officials Academy and may include one or more event observation assessments.

LEVEL 4 RACE OFFICIAL

New Senior Race Official (Minimum 16 Years of Age)

THE FIRST SENIOR RACE OFFICIAL'S LICENCE

A person applying to become a new or returning Karting Australia **Race Official** is required to:

1. If you have attained the age of 18 years (15 years of age in South Australia), you must apply for and obtain a **Working With Children Check** clearance that is valid in your State; and
2. Complete the Karting Australia **Officials' Accreditation through KOMP**
3. Complete the **Race Officials Basic Training** courses in the Karting Australia Officials Academy.

Prior to a new Senior Race Officials' Licence being issued, a Level 4 Race Official Licence application must be approved by either their SKA, Karting Australia or the National Officials Co-ordinator.

GENERAL CONDITIONS – LEVEL 4 RACE OFFICIAL

Permitted Duties

A Level 4 Race Official can officiate at a Race Meeting under supervision of a higher graded Official in any of the following roles:

Race Management

- Clerk of the Course
- Starter
- Safety Light Operator
- Flag Marshal
- Grid Marshal
- Timekeeper
- Pit/Paddock Marshal

Technical Official

- Scrutineer
- Scales Marshal
- Tyre Tester
- Fuel Tester
- Noise Control Marshal

Any Race Official, including a Level 4 Race Official, is permitted to act as a Steward at a Club Level meeting provided the Chief Steward fills the role of the Chair during the Hearing.

RETAINING YOUR LEVEL 4 RACE OFFICIAL LICENCE

A Level 4 Race Official must:

1. Officiate at a minimum of three (3) Meetings annually; and
2. Biennially, must satisfactorily complete:
 - a. At least one (1) in-person or online Officials Training School conducted by either KA or your SKA; and
 - b. Successfully complete any **new "Basic Training Courses"** and any new **"General Courses"** e.g. the **Annual Updated Rules course** in the Officials Academy.

to retain your Level 4 Race Official's Accreditation.

ONGOING DEVELOPMENT

It is highly recommended that Race Officials regularly attend and participate in a KA and/or an SKA Officials Training School or KA online Race Official's Workshop at least biennially and preferably annually.

MINIMUM UPGRADE REQUIREMENTS – UPGRADE, LEVEL 4 TO LEVEL 3 RACE OFFICIAL

To be eligible to upgrade to a Level 3 Race Official Licence, a Level 4 Official must:

1. Have a sound working knowledge of the Karting Australia National Competition Rules and an enthusiasm for the sport.
2. Have held a Level 4 Race Official's Licence and have satisfactorily officiated and gained competency endorsements from the Chief Steward from a minimum of six (6) Race Meetings, four (4) of which must be for the same Role.
3. Make an application by email to the SKA requesting Assessment for an upgrade.
4. Prior to a Level 3 Licence being issued:
 - a. an Upgrade Assessment will be conducted.
 - b. for an Event Control Officials' Licence or Event Command Officials' Licence, the Licence Application must be approved by either their SKA or the National Officials Co-ordinator.
 - c. for a Scrutineer Licence, the Licence Application must be approved by either their SKA or the National Technical Commissioner.

LEVEL 3 – (CLUB CHIEF) OFFICIAL

A Level 3 Race Official Licence may be issued to an Official who has:

1. Completed Basic Training (unless otherwise approved through the RPL Assessment approval process.)
2. Satisfied the upgrade criteria for a Level 3 Official; or been approved for the issuing of a Level 3 Officials' Licence following an RPL Assessment.
3. Made application on the appropriate form to the SKA requesting consideration for a Level 3 Officials' Licence,
4. It is recommended that the applicant for the Level 3 Race Official Licence, has successfully completed the PBTR Course - "[Making Sport Inclusive, Safe and Fair](#)" within the previous two (2) years.

5. LICENCE CATEGORIES

a. Stewards Licence

- (i) If applying for a Stewards (**Event Control**) Licence, you must have successfully completed all the Event Control – Stewards Officials Academy Courses.
- (ii) The Licence Application must be approved by either the State Officials Co-ordinator, their SKA, Karting Australia or the National Officials Co-ordinator.

b. Race Management Licence

- (i) If applying for a Race Management (**Event Command**) Licence, you must have successfully completed the Race Control and Management Officials Academy Courses.
- (ii) The Licence Application must be approved by either the State Officials Co-ordinator, their SKA, Karting Australia or the National Officials Co-ordinator.

c. Technical Licence

- (i) If applying for a Scrutineer Licence, you must have successfully completed the Scrutineering and Event Command – Race Management Officials Academy Courses.
- (ii) The Licence Application must be approved by either the State Technical Officer, their SKA, Karting Australia, or the National Technical Commissioner.

PERMITTED DUTIES

A **Level 3 Steward** may:

- officiate as a Steward or Chief Steward at a Club level Meeting.
- officiate at State and Zonal Level Meetings but not as the Chief Steward.
- officiate at a National Level Meeting but not as the Chief Steward.

A **Level 3 Race Management Official** (Clerk of the Course) may:

- officiate as Clerk of The Course at a Club level Meeting.
- officiate as an 'assistant' Clerk of the Course at a State and Zonal Level Meeting.
- officiate as an 'assistant' Clerk of the Course at a National Level Meeting.

A **Level 3 Technical Official** (Scrutineer) may:

- officiate as Chief Scrutineer at a Club level Meeting.
- officiate as a Chief Scrutineer at State and Zonal Level Meetings
- officiate as a Scrutineer at National Level Meetings.

RETAINING YOUR LEVEL 3 RACE OFFICIAL LICENCE

A Level 3 Race Official must:

1. Officiate at a minimum of four (4) Race Meetings annually.
2. Biennially, must satisfactorily complete:
 - a. At least one (1) in-person or online Officials Development Course conducted by either KA or your SKA; and
 - b. Successfully complete any **NEW “Basic Training Courses”** and any new **“General Courses”** e.g. any **Annual Updated Rules** course and any specific **Courses** in your area of specialty e.g. Stewards Training, Race Control and Management, Safety Management etc. (if any) in the Officials Academy; Race Control and Management, Safety Management etc. (if any) in the Officials Academy

to retain your Level 3 Race Official's Accreditation.

ONGOING DEVELOPMENT

It is highly recommended that Race Officials regularly attend and participate in a KA and/or an SKA Officials Training School or KA online Race Official's Workshop at least biennially and preferably annually.

MINIMUM UPGRADE REQUIREMENTS – LEVEL 3 TO LEVEL 2

To be eligible to upgrade to a Level 2 Race Official Licence, a Level 3 Race Official must:

1. Have a good working knowledge of the Karting Australia National Competition Rules and an enthusiasm for the sport.
2. Hold a Level 3 Race Official Licence; and
 - a. Satisfactorily officiated and gained competency endorsements from the Chief Steward from a minimum of six (6) Race Meetings since obtaining a Level 3 Race Official Licence for the same Role.
 - b. At least two (2) of the endorsements should be obtained at Meetings at which there are at least 50 entries.
 - c. No more than four (4) of the endorsements can be obtained from Meetings from the same Chief Steward unless the Meetings are organised by or at a Remote Club in which case the assessing Official may provide an exemption allowing for more than four (4) endorsements to be obtained from the same Chief Steward.
 - d. Make an application by email to the SKA, requesting consideration for an upgrade.
3. Prior to a Level 2 Race Official Licence being issued:
 - a. an Upgrade Assessment will be conducted.
 - b. for an Event Control Official Licence or Event Command Official Licence, the Licence Application must be approved by either the SKA or the National Officials Co-ordinator.
 - c. for a Scrutineer Licence, the Licence Application must be approved by either the SKA or the National Technical Commissioner.

LEVEL 2 – (STATE) OFFICIAL

A Level 2 Race Officials Licence may be granted to a person who has:

1. Completed Basic Training (unless otherwise approved through the RPL Assessment approval process.)
2. Satisfied the upgrade criteria for a Level 2 Race Official or been approved for the issuing of a Level 2 Official Licence following an RPL Assessment.
3. Made application on the appropriate form to the SKA requesting consideration for a Level 2 Officials Licence.
3. It is recommended that the applicant for the Level 2 Race Official Licence, must have successfully completed the PBTR Course - "[Making Sport Inclusive, Safe and Fair](#)" within the previous two (2) years.

4. LICENCE CATEGORIES

a. Stewards (Event Control) Licence

- (i) If applying for a Stewards (**Event Control**) Licence, you must have successfully completed all the Event Control – Stewards Officials Academy Courses.
- (ii) The Licence Application must be approved by either the State Officials Co-ordinator, their SKA, Karting Australia or the National Officials Co-ordinator.

b. Race Management Licence

- (i) If applying for Race Management (**Event Command**) Licence, you must have successfully completed the Race Control and Management Officials Academy Courses.
- (ii) The Licence Application must be approved by either the State Officials Co-ordinator, their SKA, Karting Australia or the National Officials Co-ordinator.

c. Technical (Scrutineer) Licence

- (i) If applying for a **Scrutineer** Licence, you must have successfully completed the Scrutineering and Race Management (**Race Control**) Officials Academy Courses.
- (ii) The Licence Application must be approved by either the State Technical Officer, their SKA, Karting Australia, or the National Technical Commissioner.

PERMITTED DUTIES

A **Level 2 Steward** may:

- officiate as Steward or Chief Steward at a Club, Zonal or State level Meeting.
- officiate at a National Level Meeting but not as the Chief Steward

A **Level 2 Race Management Official** (Clerk of the Course or Assistant Clerk of the Course) may:

- officiate as Clerk of the Course at a Club, Zonal or State Level Meeting.
- officiate as Clerk of the Course at a State Championship Meeting
- officiate as an Assistant Clerk of the Course at a National Level Meeting.

A **Level 2 Technical Official** (Scrutineer) may:

- officiate as Chief Scrutineer or Scrutineer at State Championship Level Meetings and below.
- officiate as a Scrutineer at National Level Meetings.

RETAINING YOUR LEVEL 2 RACE OFFICIAL LICENCE

To retain a Level 2 Official Licence, the Official must:

1. officiate at a minimum of six (6) Race Meetings annually, at least two (2) of which must not be held at the same Club (See IMPORTANT NOTES ##); and
2. have satisfactorily completed all the courses including all new and updated courses relevant to their Officiating discipline in the Officials Academy.
3. Successfully complete any **NEW “Basic Training Courses”** and any new **“General Courses”** e.g., the **Annual Updated Rules** course and any specific **Courses** in your area of specialty e.g., Stewards Training, Race Control and Management, Safety Management etc. (if any) in the Officials Academy; and
4. Biennially, must satisfactorily complete at least one (1) Officials Development Course conducted by either KA or your SKA.

ONGOING DEVELOPMENT

It is highly recommended that Race Officials regularly attend and participate in a KA and/or an SKA Officials Training School or KA online Race Official’s Workshop at least biennially and preferably annually.

UPGRADE – LEVEL 2 TO LEVEL 1

Only National Level Race Meetings (those meetings for which the Organising Permit must be issued by KA (and not an SKA)) require Level 1 Officials – Chief Steward, Race Director, Clerk of the Course and Chief Scrutineer to be included on the Meeting Supplementary Regulations and to be in attendance to Officiate the Meeting.

KA encourages Officials to aspire to become Level 1 graded Officials but we recognise that the time commitments to upgrade to and retain a Level 1 Officials Licence are substantial.

All Upgrade requests from Level 2 to Level 1 must be considered and approved by the **KA National Officials Review Panel**.

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MINIMUM UPGRADE REQUIREMENTS – LEVEL 2 TO LEVEL 1

To be eligible to upgrade to a Level 1 Race Officials Licence, a Level 2 Race Official must:

1. Satisfactorily attend a KA Officials Training School biennially; and
2. Have an excellent working knowledge of the National Competition Rules and an enthusiasm for the sport.
3. Satisfactorily officiated and gained competency endorsements from the Chief Steward at a minimum of eight (8) Race Meetings.
 - a. No more than five (5) of the endorsements can be obtained from the same Chief Steward and/or be from Meetings held at the same Club.
4. Make an application by email to the SKA and/or KA requesting consideration for an upgrade.
5. Prior to a Level 1 Licence being issued:
 - a. an Upgrade Assessment of the Official will be conducted.
 - b. for an Event Control Race Official Licence or Event Command Race Official Licence, the Licence Upgrade Application must be approved by the National Officials Review Panel Upon recommendations from the SKA or KA.
 - c. for a Scrutineer Licence, the Licence Upgrade Application must be approved by the National Officials Review Panel Upon recommendations from the SKA or KA.

LEVEL 1 (NATIONAL) OFFICIAL:

A Level 1 Race Officials Licence may be granted to a person who has:

1. Completed Basic Training (unless otherwise approved through the RPL Assessment approval process.)
2. Satisfied the minimum upgrade requirements from Level 2 to Level 1 Race Official or been approved for the issuing of a Level 1 Race Officials' Licence following an RPL Assessment.
3. Made application on the appropriate form to KA and their SKA requesting consideration for a Level 1 Officials Licence.
4. It is highly recommended that the applicant for the Level 1 Race Official Licence, will have successfully completed the PBTR Course - "[Making Sport Inclusive, Safe and Fair](#)" within the previous two (2) years.

5. LICENCE CATEGORIES

a. Stewards (Event Control) Licence

- (i) If applying for a Stewards (**Event Control**) Licence, you must have successfully completed all the Stewards Officials Academy Courses.
- (ii) The Licence Application must be approved by the National Officials Review Panel
 - Upon recommendations from the SKA or KA.

b. Race Management (Event Command) Licence

- (i) If applying for Race Management (**Event Command**) Licence, you must have successfully completed the Race Control and Management Officials Academy Courses.
- (ii) The Licence Application must be approved by the National Officials Review Panel
 - Upon recommendations from the SKA or KA.

c. Technical (Scrutineer) Licence

- (i) If applying for a Scrutineer Licence, you must have successfully completed the Scrutineering and Event Command – Race Management Officials Academy Courses.
- (ii) The Licence Application must be approved by the National Technical Commissioner
 - Upon recommendations from the SKA or KA.

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ONGOING DEVELOPMENT

It is highly recommended that Race Officials regularly attend and participate in a KA and/or an SKA Officials Training School or KA online Race Official's Workshop at least biennially and preferably annually.

Permitted Duties

A Level 1 Official in the appropriate Officiating discipline, may perform the duties of:

- Chief Steward or Steward
- Clerk of the Course,
- Race Director
- Chief Scrutineer or Scrutineer
- Or any other Race Management roles including
 - Starter
 - Race Prosecutor
 - Chief Timekeeper and Timekeeper
 - Pit Marshal
 - Grid Marshal
 - Officials (Stewards) Secretary
 - Flag Marshal / Safety Light Operator

at any Race Meeting.

RETAINING YOUR LEVEL 1 RACE OFFICIAL LICENCE

To retain a Level 1 Officials Licence, the Official must;

1. Officiate at a minimum of six (6) Meetings annually, one (1) of which must be a:
 - a. State Kart Championship,
 - b. National Championship,
 - c. National Series
 - d. National CupEvent.
2. Biennially, must satisfactorily complete:
 - a. At least one (1) in-person or online Officials Development Course conducted by either KA or your SKA; and
 - b. Successfully complete any **NEW “Basic Training Courses”** and any new **“General Courses”** e.g., the **Annual Updated Rules** course and any specific **Courses** in your area of specialty e.g., Stewards Training, Race Control and Management, Safety Management etc. (if any) in the Officials Academy; and
 - c. Biennially, must satisfactorily complete at least one (1) Officials Development Course conducted by either KA or your SKA.
3. Continue to satisfy the National Officials Co-ordinator or the National Technical Commissioner that they are able to competently fulfil their duties as a Level 1 Race Official by accepting appointments to officiate at other National Level Meetings as and when reasonably requested to do so.
4. Have satisfactorily completed all the courses including all new and updated courses relevant to their Officiating discipline in the Officials Academy; and
5. Maintain an excellent working knowledge of the National Competition Rules and an enthusiasm for the sport.

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IMPORTANT NOTES

Attaining the “Minimum Upgrade Requirements” means that the Race Official is eligible for and is ready to be assessed in accordance with this policy for a Race Official License Upgrade.

It does not guarantee that an Official will obtain an upgrade to the next level of Race Official Licence, nor does it obligate them to be assessed.

It makes the Official eligible for assessment by either the SKA (their State Officials Co-Ordinator and/or their State Technical Officer) and/or the National Officials Co-ordinator and/or in the case of a Technical Official - the National Technical Commissioner or the KA National Officials Review Panel.

The minimum number of Race Meetings that an Official is required to officiate at annually to retain their current level of Licence, and/or the minimum requirements for a Licence upgrade may, in **exceptional circumstances**, be varied by the KA National Officials Review Panel.

In normal circumstances, should an Official not achieve the minimum requirements to retain their current level of Licence, they will be downgraded to the immediate lower level until the minimum requirements have been met.