

Track Official's Checklist for Early Qualifier (EQ) meets

General Requirements:

- 2 MHSAA registered officials - It is the officials' role to enforce all MHSAA and NFHS Track & Field regulations and to ensure that any EQ standards met are legitimate.
 - Head starter - Prevent and officiate. Communicate pre-race instructions to athletes, be preventative, officiate, including and up to a DQ, when athletes break the rules. Watch athletes compete (ie, watch inside lane line, exchange zones, uniform compliance)
 - Field event referee/assistant starter - this person should inspect each field event venue and talk with judges before field events begin (see checklist below). If the field event does not meet the event requirements, the referee shall declare that no EQ standards will be allowed that day. The event *can* still be contested for places and points, but no EQ marks will be accepted from the event. Remember, the referee's decision is final.
 - After inspecting all field events, the field referee may then assist the starter, but remain available to address any conflicts or questions that may arise during field events.
 - Field event referees should provide a copy of the EQ standards to each field event judge.
- Cones required on each turn on the inside of lane one (reach out to the host if you don't have your own cones)
- Cones are required on the waterfall stagger line up until the cut-in.

Shot Put and Discus:

- Shots and Discs must be properly weighed and measured, and the event judge is aware of the marking used for that day.
- The landing surface does not have a visibly significant decline
- Visually inspect sector lines
- The judge knows event fouls and how to properly measure

Long Jump:

- Sand in the pit is level with the take-off board
- The judge knows event fouls and how to properly measure
- Ensure the pit is being raked to level after each jump

High Jump:

- The judge knows to measure each height at the center of the crossbar before starting a height
- Crossbar ends are marked to ensure consistent placement
- The crossbar is marked at the center, and there is a corresponding mark on the take-off surface directly below to ensure that measurements are vertical.
- The base of the standards is marked to ensure consistent placement (may not be moved once competition begins)
- The judge understands event fouls

Pole Vault:

- Poles must be properly inspected, and the judge is aware of the marking used for that day
- Crossbar ends are marked to ensure consistent placement
- The crossbar is marked at the center, and a corresponding mark is placed directly below on the front of the plant box surface to ensure measurements are vertical.
- The judge understands event fouls