

2026 Race Walking Officials Selection Committee - November 24, 2025

Committee Attendance: Katie Burnett(a), Jordan Crawford(a), Ian Whatley(a), Solomyia Login, Jo Burrows, David Snyder, Michael Roth (Race Walk Vice-Chair), Susan Heiser (Secretary)

Below are the selected Race Walking crews for 2026. These crews comply with the minimum USATF Championship event requirements (Rules 101.4 and 101.7) as well as WA competition requirements and protocols.

Marathon RW Championships & WA Team Trials, Santee CA - January 11, 2026			
Name	RW Cert	Region	Role
Snyder, Dave	Master	West	Referee/Head Official
Pierce, Dan	Silver	MidAmerica	Chief Judge
Daniel, Ron	Bronze	Northeast	ChiefJudgeAssisant/PZ
Cardenas, Robert	National	West	Judge
Daniel, Maryanne	Gold	Northeast	Judge
Hogan, Faith	Silver	West	Judge
Padgaonkar, Ajay	Silver	West	Judge
Price, Alexander	Silver	Midwest	Judge
Shepard, Liz	Masters RWO	MidAmerica	Recorder
Deegan, Gerard (LOC)	Association	West	PenaltyZoneManager
Indoor Championships, Staten Island NY - February 28-Mar 3, 2026			
Name	RW Cert	Region	Role
Pollinger, Bill	Bronze	Northeast	RW Referee
Weissglas, Reggie	Gold	Northeast	Chief Judge
Helpa, Lisa	National	Northeast	Judge
Richardson, Edwin	Bronze	Northeast	Judge
White, Monique	National	Northeast	Judge
Daniel, Ron	Bronze	Northeast	Judge
Michta, Sue	Master	Northeast	Recorder
NAIA Indoor Championships, Gainesville FL - March 5 - 7, 2026			
Name	RW Cert	Region	Role
Price, Alexander	Silver	Midwest	Chief Judge
Funkhouser, Ray	Bronze	Southeast	Judge
Heiser, Susan	Silver	Southeast	Judge/Head Official
Heiser-Whatley, Jesi	Association	Southeast	Judge
Whatley, Ian	Master	Southeast	Judge
Heiser-Whatley, Tori	Association	Southeast	Recorder
Pierce, Dan (LOC)	Silver	MidAmerica	Running Ref

WA Team Trials Half Marathon & U20, TBD - March 8, 2026			
Name	RW Cert	Region	Role
Pierce, Dan	Silver	MidAmerica	Referee
Heiser, Susan	Silver	Southeast	Chief Judge/Head Official
Burrows, Jo	Bronze	Southeast	Judge
Funkhouser, Ray	Bronze	Southeast	Judge
Heiser-Whatley, Tori	Association	Southeast	Judge
VerMeer, Marie	Bronze	Northwest	Judge
Whatley, Ian	Master	Southeast	Judge
Heiser-Whatley, Jesi	Association	Southeast	Recorder
Price, Alexander	Silver	Midwest	ChiefJudgeAssisant/PZ
<i>Richardson, Edwin</i>	<i>Bronze</i>	<i>Northeast</i>	<i>Alternate</i>
NAIA Outdoor Championships, Asheville NC - May 20-22, 2026			
Name	RW Cert	Region	Role
Burrows, Jo	Bronze	Southeast	Chief Judge/Head Official
Belovich, Emily	Association	Midwest	Judge
Harriman, David	Master	Midwest	Judge
Roth, Michael	Bronze	Southeast	Judge
Whatley, Ian	Master	Southeast	Judge
Grayson, Kelley	AssociationRWO	Southeast	Recorder
<i>Pierce, Dan (LOC)</i>	<i>Silver</i>	<i>MidAmerica</i>	<i>Running Ref</i>
U20 Championships, Eugene OR - June 18-20, 2026			
Name	RW Cert	Region	Role
Pierce, Dan	Silver	MidAmerica	Referee
VerMeer, Marie	Bronze	Northwest	Chief Judge/Head Official
Hall, Roger	Bronze	Northwest	Judge
Padgaonkar, Ajay	Silver	West	Judge
Shepard, Liz	Masters RWO	MidAmerica	Judge
Richardson, Edwin	Bronze	Northeast	Judge
Cardenas, Robert	National	West	Recorder
Deegan, Gerard	Association	West	ChiefJudgeAssisant/PZ
Outdoor Championships, TBD *			
Name	RW Cert	Region	Role
Weissglas, Reggie	Gold	Northeast	Referee
Hogan, Faith	Silver	West	Chief Judge
Burrows, Jo	Bronze	Southeast	Judge
Funkhouser, Ray	Bronze	Southeast	Judge
Hall, Roger	Bronze	Northwest	Judge
Pollinger, Bill	Bronze	Northeast	Judge
White, Monique	Masters RWO	Northeast	Recorder
Pierce, Dan	Silver	MidAmerica	ChiefJudgeAssisant/PZ
<i>* Head Official to be appointed based on the meet location.</i>			

Additional Race Walk crew recommendations:

USATF Junior Olympics TBD July 23-26,2026 - Will be recommended to JO & LOC *			
Name	RW Cert	Region	Role
Brown, Kelly	National	West	Judge
Cionelo, Geraldo	Master	West	Judge
Deegan, Gerard	Association	West	Judge
Hasseine-Silva, Loubna	National	Southwest	Judge
Mirza, Aysha	National	Northeast	Judge
Singh, Sangram	Master	West	Judge
Hooper, Robert	Master	West	Alt
Heiser-Whatley, Jesi	Association	Southeast	Alt
Heiser-Whatley, Tori	Association	Southeast	Alt
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