

## Technical Official Revalidation

To make the technical official revalidation process easy to understand, manage and administer for all, and be more focused on participants qualitative rather than quantitative outcomes, the criteria effective 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020 is:

Revalidation is done over a **three-year** period starting 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020:

Technical Official Level	Level	Minimum Activity recommended	Maintenance of technical official level
Timekeeper / Recorder	1	6 events*	Assessment at area Rep discretion
Contest Recorder	2	6 events*	Assessment at area Rep discretion
Senior Recorder	3	6 events*	Assessment at area Rep discretion
Competition Controller	4	12 events*	Plus 3 x TD at level 3 or above required**
IJF Technical Official	5	Controlled by EJU / IJF	Must be active for EJU / IJF***

\* Events are a minimum recommended number, not a mandatory minimum number, however, in general those technical officials who have completed the recommended minimum level or more of events should be revalidated automatically if there are no serious qualitative concerns. Only those events entered in the technical officials record card will be valid for this purpose.

\*\* Competition Controllers should have completed 3 events as a Tournament Director in addition to their 12 events as a table official, NCTOC may authorise differing styles of revalidation activity in bespoke scenario's as deemed appropriate by NCTOC, if the standard criteria has not been met.

\*\*\* International officials will default to the Competition Controller revalidation criteria if they have done zero international events, international officials should also log their activity in their record card.

### Timekeeper, Contest Recorder and Senior Recorder

In the case where the technical official has completed less than the recommended requisite number of events, the Area technical official representative has the authority to recommend revalidation for the technical official at development levels (Timekeeper, Contest Recorder and Senior Recorder), this should be based on the Area technical official representatives' knowledge of the individual technical official's performance level. In cases where the technical official has achieved or exceeded the number of recommended events, these technical officials should be identified by the Area representative to British Judo and automatically revalidated in the case of no major qualitative concerns.

When requested, proof of activity should be presented to the Area technical official representative by the requested technical official where the Area representative requests them to do so, in cases of some doubt about revalidation, the Area technical official representative may arrange an official assessment of the applicable technical official's competence by an examiner of the appropriate level if deemed necessary.

The Area technical official representative has the authority to recommend revalidation of all Timekeeper, Contest Recorder and Senior Recorder technical officials in their own Area only, NCTOC will accept this recommendation unless there are special circumstances why not.

## **Competition Controllers**

For Competition Controllers and retired international technical officials, British Judo will manage the revalidation process based on the technical officials performance level at events for which they have been observed during the revalidation period by NCTOC appointed personnel.

NCTOC will make reasonable effort to ensure that all Competition Controllers have had the opportunity to officiate at applicable events to be observed. British Judo would ideally want the technical officials to have an opportunity in every year of the revalidation period, but this may not be possible in some cases.

In the case of too few events officiated at, NCTOC will decide on the way forward which may involve a reassessment calling to an event at NCTOC's discretion, or possibly approving revalidation for other reasons based on bespoke situations and NCTOC's clear knowledge of a technical officials competence.

## **International Officials**

For technical officials at active level 5, the EJU / IJF will continue to maintain their revalidation through ongoing callings.

## **New Revalidation Guidelines and Benefits Summary:**

- The Area technical official representatives' have the authority to manage the development level technical officials in a way that is conducive to Area event constraints and needs, the focus is encouraged to be on quality rather than quantity technical officiating
- British Judo will manage the Competition Controllers and International technical officials, in a manner that considers the constraints of high-level event officiating and at the same time has more focus on quality than quantity, the quality will be by recommendation from NCTOC unless there are any other serious concerns
- The EJU / IJF will continue to manage the active IJF technical officials, British Judo will manage IJF technical officials that have either retired or had no activity in the period.
- British Judo will require at 3 year end the area technical official representative to complete a full list of all technical officials at Timekeeper, Contest Recorder and Senior Recorder in their area stating whether they are recommended for revalidation or not, in the case of conflict, this may be escalated to NCTOC for assistance. British Judo's data base of each area's technical officials will be provided to each Area representative to help ensure that all technical officials are administered promptly.
- British Judo will automatically administer the Competition Controller and International technical officials based on the recommendations of NCTOC. In some cases, record cards maybe requested by the NCTOC, so it is vitally important that technical officials maintain their card throughout the period.

## Technical Official Returning to Officiating

In the case where a technical official has become invalid either through an extended period away from officiating, or where they were deemed to have not done enough events in a revalidation period, or where there is a need to refresh the skills, there is a way back to officiating without redoing the full training courses of their particular level.

### Invalidated due to lack of events or general need to refresh in a period

Where an official has been invalidated due to a lack of events or need to refresh up to date in a revalidation period, provided they have not gone through time span of more than two years without an event, the following revalidation process will be applicable:

#### **TK, CR, SR**

The candidate needs to contact their area representative to request mentoring at an event after having reviewed the current handbook. The area representative will need to facilitate this opportunity for revalidation, the candidate should be aware that expenses may not be available for this assessment.

#### **CC**

The candidate needs to contact NCTOC who will advise on a case by case basis the process for the individual to return. The return is likely to include studying the current handbook and taking a mentored practical assessment managing at least a level 3 event to satisfactory conclusion. The candidate should be aware that expenses may not be available for this assessment

### Invalid due to more than 2 years away from officiating

#### **TK, CR, SR**

The candidate needs to contact their area representative to request mentoring at an event inclusive of informal verbal questioning after having reviewed the current handbook. The area representative will need to facilitate these opportunities for revalidation, the candidate should be aware that expenses may not be available for this assessment.

#### **CC**

The candidate needs to contact NCTOC who will advise on a case by case basis the process for the individual to return. The return is likely to include studying the current handbook and taking a theory assessment check and a mentored practical assessment managing at least a level 3 event to satisfactory conclusion. The candidate should be aware that expenses may not be available for this assessment.

**Note:** It is hoped that all of the above processes will lead to revalidation at the first attempt, however, if in the opinion of the assigned assessor the candidate requires more work, the assessor will inform the candidate in writing of what needs to be improved and the Area representative should be prepared to provide another assessment of the applicable type when the candidate declares they are ready.

Only in exceptional circumstances would the candidate be declined revalidation and be deemed to require complete retraining.