



Little Athletics Chelsea Centre Record Verification Procedures

1 Background

The Centre committee has authorised these procedures so as to ensure that all new Centre records are verified and that they are verified in a consistent manner. This is to balance the interests of existing record holders with the interests of new record holders.

2 Scope of procedures

- 2.1 These procedures apply to performances where an athlete equals or betters an existing Centre record.
- 2.2 These procedures apply to all official events and age groups at the Centre except Open Day and the Chelsea Gift.

3 General procedures

3.1 Centre Record Verification Officials

- 3.1.1 The Centre committee shall publish in the annual Centre handbook a list of Centre Record Verification Officials (Officials) who are able to verify records.
- 3.1.2 Two such Officials must verify every new record either together or independently.
- 3.1.3 The Officials shall check with the event-Officials or the Age-Group Coordinator that, to the best of their current knowledge, the athlete complied with the rules of the event.
- 3.1.4 A Centre Record Verification Official must not verify a record of an athlete that they are the parent, guardian or sibling etc. of.

3.2 Footwear and spikes

- 3.2.1 The Officials shall confirm that the following was complied with in relation to footwear and spikes:
 - 3.2.1.1 Athletes must wear footwear in accordance with LA Vic, regulation 8.
 - 3.2.1.2 Spikes may be worn at LAC by under 12 -16 athletes only.
 - 3.2.1.3 Spikes may only be worn at LAC when competing in the events listed below:
 - a laned track event of 400m or less; long jump; triple jump.
 - 3.2.1.4 The maximum spike length is 7mm and the spike design must be a type approved by LA Vic.

3.2 Measuring

- 3.2.1 Sand measuring-spikes shall be used for long jump and triple jump.
- 3.2.2 Grass measuring-spikes shall be used for discus, shot put and javelin.
- 3.2.3 Where a distance or height is measured that is not an exact centimetre the length or height shall be rounded down to the nearest centimetre.



- 3.2.4 When measuring a distance, the Officials check that the measuring tape starts at “0” at the spike. They shall unwind any twists, straighten the tape and count each metre as they move back towards the jumping or throwing line etc.

3.3 Record verification

- 3.3.1 The Officials shall confirm the existing record by checking the event sheet.
- 3.3.2 Each new record shall be verified by checking the requirements on one Record Verification Checklist which, when completed, shall be attached to the event sheet.
- 3.3.3 The event sheet must be signed by both of the verifying Officials. Their names, the date and the performance must also be recorded on the event sheet.
- 3.3.4 The Event-data Manager shall enter the new record into the Centre’s results database and confirm that it has changed on that age-group and event’s event sheet. The Event-data Manager shall notify the Website Manager to update the official list on the website.
- 3.3.5 The Handbook Manager shall take the records each season from the official list on the website for publication in the annual handbook.

4 Track record procedures

- 4.1 The Officials shall confirm with the finish Official that the timer is working correctly and that the gates were activated by the athlete concerned.
- 4.2 The Officials shall confirm that the hurdle height, number of hurdles and their spacing is correct for the age group and gender. The spacing shall be checked against the coloured marks on the plinth.

5 Long and Triple jump record procedures

- 5.1 The Officials shall verify that the spike is positioned at the mark that the athlete has made in the sand that is closest to the take-off board or mat.
- 5.2 The Officials shall measure in a straight line to the front of the footmark if a mat was used (U6-U11). The Officials shall measure in a straight line, perpendicular to the take-off board, to the pit-side edge of the take-off board if no mat was used (U12-16).

6 High jump record procedures

- 6.1 The Officials shall verify the jump height by measuring the height of the top of the bar at its centre.
- 6.2 The two ends of the bar shall be measured to verify that the bar is level.



- 6.3 It is preferred that the Officials verify the height before the jump is taken to avoid possible disappointment for the athlete.

7 Throwing events record procedures

- 7.1 The Officials shall verify that the correct weight discus, shot put or javelin was used.
- 7.2 The measuring tape shall be taken to the centre of the discus or shot put ring or to the cross in the case of javelin.
- 7.3 The throw shall be measured to the thrower's side of the white line for javelin, the thrower's side of the stop-board for shot put or to edge of the concrete ring for discus (note: the metal ring-plinth is not part of the discus ring).

8 Extraordinary circumstances

- 8.1 Any claims for Centre records not verified in accordance with these procedures may be considered retrospectively.
- 8.2 The Executive Committee of the Centre will review all evidence gathered and put before them, with their decision on the validity of the record being final. The Executive Committee may seek advice or evidence from other Officials or members as they deem necessary.



Little Athletics- Chelsea Record Verification Checklist

2 approved record verification officials are to complete this form
Please complete all sections and attach to the event-sheet

Athlete		Date	
Age group		Gender	
Event		Existing record	

Official 1		Official 2	
Name		Name	
Event Officials/AGC: Event rules complied with?		Event Officials/AGC: Event rules complied with?	
Footwear type/ spikes Used?		Footwear type/ spikes Used?	
Tape '0' at spike, Untwisted, Straight?		Tape '0' at spike, Untwisted, Straight?	
Hurdles: Height, number, spacing?		Hurdles: Height, number, spacing?	
Finish Officials: Gates OK, Activated by athlete?		Finish Officials: Gates OK, Activated by athlete?	
Weight check		Weight check	
Comments		Comments	
Performance (round down to nearest cm)		Performance (round down to nearest cm)	
Signature		Signature	
Date		Date	