

NATIONAL OFFICIALS CERTIFICATION PROGRAM - TRANSITIONING

On the introduction of this program, officials with National Certification or National Championship certifications that expire on, or later than, December 31, 2004 will be deemed to have equivalent N2 or N3 certifications as follows:

- All equivalent N2 and N3 certifications expire on December 31, 2007, unless a properly completed application for re certification, or certification in a new position at a higher level, is completed and accepted.
- It is recommended that officials with existing National and National Championship certifications that expire on or before December 31, 2006 complete the requirements and apply for re certification prior to December 31, 2006.
- On the implementation of this program no further National or National Championship - new, renewal or upgrade - certifications will be issued.
- Note that the position of "Referee, Non Starter" is no longer recognized. N2 or N3 Certification will be shown for each position that the official qualifies. The only presumptions are that N2 Chief Judges, Starters, Referees or Administrative Referees are also qualified as N2 Stroke and Turn Judge. Qualification as a N3 Stroke and Turn Judge is a prerequisite to advance to any other N3 qualification.

Equivalent N2 and N3 Certification	Current Certification - National (N) and National Championship (NC)											
	S&T		Chief Judge		Starter		Referee (non starter)		Referee		Admin Referee	
	N	NC	N	NC	N	NC*	N	NC	N	NC	N	NC
S&T	N2	N3	N2	N3	N2	N3	N2	N3	N2	N3	N2	N3
Chief Judge			N2	N3			N2	N3	N2	N3		
Starter					N2	N3*			N2	N3		
Referee							N2	N3	N2	N3		
Administrative Referee											N2	N3

* Includes Officials on the "National Championship Eligible" list i.e. two passing evaluations for Junior National or National Championship standard. Officials with one passing evaluation for Junior National or National Championship standard require only a second passing "final" evaluation from a National Evaluator to receive N3 Starter Certification. Officials previously evaluated at "sectional" standard are eligible for N2 Starter Certification.