



ATHLETICS SA PHOTO FINISH OPERATORS POSITION STATEMENT

A photo finish operator uses specialised equipment, including cameras, computers and other technology to officially record the finish of a track race. The operators are accountable for the accurate capture of all placegetters in each race and the entry of event data into various systems to reflect race results.

Opportunities exist for Photo Finish Operators to work on a casual basis at athletics track and field events conducted at the SA Athletics Stadium. Athletics SA owns and operates the photo finish equipment at the Stadium and regularly hires it out as a service to event operators. Work is casual and seasonal with both paid and volunteer hours available. Athletics SA event volunteers will be given first preference for paid roles.

The Photo Finish Operator is responsible for operating the timing and photo finish equipment and determining the correct finishing order for each race.

This role requires the successful applicant(s) to attend athletics track and field events including school carnivals, so the ability to work flexible hours which include weekdays and weekends is a must. This position would particularly suit university students and retirees.

Previous experience working as a Photo Finish Operator, Athletics Official or similar role would be well regarded however, training will be provided to the successful applicants.

Ideally candidates will:

- have an interest in athletics
- possess advanced computer skills
- have a strong work ethic
- be able to work quickly and accurately
- perform well under pressure
- demonstrate strong verbal communication skills
- work well autonomously and as part of the event team

Duties Include

Operate race result equipment

1. Race result equipment is operated in a safe and efficient manner
2. Photo finish image recorder is triggered
3. Race results are saved and available for reading



Report outcomes of the race

1. Verification of runners, distances, and scratchings
2. Athletes are identified and correctly placed at finish
3. Identification may include Club/School Colours
4. Results are saved and dispatched to the Results Room, Results Board and Commentator

Required Skills

- Good communication skills for working with officials, volunteers and others to interpret and relay information relating to photo finish operations
- Willingness to learn and take direction from Senior Photo Finish Officials
- Attention to detail, including the ability to identify individual athletes and their correct finishing position
- Ability to work well with other key officials and volunteers
- Ability to make effective decisions, including accurately identifying the correct winner in a tight finish
- Competent and confident in operating photo finish equipment and technology (training provided)
- Ability to read and interpret workplace documentation, including relevant rules
- Comply with organisational policies and procedures

To apply please send your expression of interest to admin@athleticssa.com.au

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