







Triathlon Canada's Technical Official Pathway

Educating and Training Technical Officials for Local to International Events

<p>Registered Technical Official</p>	<p>RTO Approved Register as a Technical Official with your PSO Complete Enhanced Police Information Check Complete "Respect in Sport for Activity Leaders" Complete "Making Headway in Sport" concussion training</p>	
<p>Provincial Technical Official Level 1</p>	<p>PTO-1 Trained Complete PTO-1 Course & Exam PTO-1 Certified Complete PTO-1 Assessments</p>	
<p>Provincial Technical Official Level 2</p>	<p>PTO-2 Trained 2 Years Experience as PTO-1 Complete PTO-2 Course & Exam PTO-2 Certified Complete PTO-2 Assessments</p>	
<p>National Technical Official</p>	<p>NTO Certified 2 Years Experience as PTO-2 Complete NTO Course & Exam WT-1 Certified Complete NTO Certification Complete Assessment at Qualification Event</p>	
<p>Continental Technical Official</p>	<p>CTO/WT-2 Certified Attend Course <i>(by invitation of World Triathlon)</i> Complete CTO Course & Exam</p>	
<p>International Technical Official</p>	<p>ITO/WT-3 Certified Attend Course <i>(by invitation of World Triathlon)</i> Complete ITO Course & Exam</p>	

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Officiating is a linear pathway with education and training provided at each level to meet the competition requirements that match each stage. Key information on each stage is provided below.

Registered Technical Official (RTO)

Registering as a Technical Official is the entry point to the pathway. "Registered" status is provided to those who complete all the basic registration requirements to be a technical official in good standing. This includes completing Triathlon Canada's Safe Sport training. As a leadership group within the community, this is an essential step in order to officiate at an event.

Provincial Technical Official (PTO)

Most officials in Canada are Provincial Technical Officials. This group officiates community events across the country and are the foundation for the whole program. There are two stages within the PTO designation identified as Level 1 & Level 2. The PTO-1 course covers the roles and responsibilities of a technical official, the triathlon competition rules in the context of age-group triathlon, and an overview of the penalty system. The PTO-2 course continues to build on these areas and provides additional training in sector operations and management.

The provincial programs vary slightly from region to region, so be sure to connect with your [provincial program administrator](#).

National Technical Official (NTO) / World Triathlon Level 1 (WT-1)

The NTO program applies all the skills and knowledge gained through the PTO program with the added context of elite and draft-legal racing. The NTO course is also where training starts to be integrated with the training provided by World Triathlon, the International Federation for the sport.

Continental Technical Official (CTO) / International Technical Official (ITO)

Like the provincial levels, the international program is broken up into stages identified as Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3. World Triathlon Level 1 (WT-1) is an extension of the NTO course and requires an assessment completed at a World Triathlon event. From this point on the program is fully managed by World Triathlon. Entry to the courses for World Triathlon Level 2 (also known as "Continental Technical Official") and World Triathlon Level 3 ("International Technical Official") are managed by invitation only.

For more information on National and International training please contact the Triathlon Canada Technical Officials' Coordinator at officials@triathloncanada.com.

