

Officials and Marshals

Key race officials

- Normally wear a blue vest indicating role.

Steward

- Big boss. Makes sure Clerk is running event as per MOMS. Does a report on event that is sent to MNSW

Clerk

- Does rider briefing, adjudicates protests, checks tracks (usually with steward), issues warning penalties for the rule breaches. Plus lots more. Does a report on event conclusion of the event that is sent to MNSW.

Scrutineer

- Checks bikes and equipment as per MOMs

Race Secretary

- Checks licence, organises permits and paperwork.

More info on these roles can be found on the MNSW website.

We mainly want to share with you the key roles to conduct Minikhana Events.

Penciller; Scorer

- Should have officials licence.
- In charge of event area.
- Should talk to all marshals prior to each and EVERY event so that everyone knows the rules.
- Should assist the 'Pencillers assistant' in drawing lanes.
- Can recommend to Clerk to have a marshal replaced if he thinks it is necessary.
- Can and should over rule Marshals if the marshal, cannot, or did not see something.
- Nominates a starter.
- Works in conjunction with Assistant to determine winner.
- Can order a re-start for a false start.(Each competitor gets one false start, before being black flagged for a second infringement)
- Can NOT order a restart for any other reason, without instruction from Clerk.
- Tells competitors results of race.
- Calls for the clerk if purple flag is raised.
- Organises numbers in heats as per MOMs. (EXCEPT at Hornsby Clover) Should be done to ensure 3 riders in final at HJDBC.
- Talks to clerk about anything he is unsure about.
- Should call a false start if necessary.

Pencillers Assistant

- Should have officials licence.
- Should count discs and make sure they match rider's numbers at every event.
- Helps with draw to work out lanes.
- Makes sure all riders are behind the start line.
- Yells "Watching the starter" and points to the starter as soon as he is happy with starting positions. This tells the starter and the marshals that they are ready to go.
- In conjunction with the penciller, determines the placings.
- Organises riders BEFORE their event and tells them their lanes.
- Counts the 3 seconds at 'Slow'.
- Talks to penciller about anything he is unsure about.
- Can call a false start.

Flag Marshal

- Should have an officials licence.
- Should have a good idea of event, and know rules to be able to properly marshal event. All Minikhana event rules can be found in MOMs
- Can NOT marshal own child.
- Should explain reason for Black flag if necessary.
- Should talk to Penciller about anything he is unsure about.
- Must give 'benefit of doubt' to rider.
- Must be fair to others riders by flagging if necessary.

Starter

- Can marshal as well.
- Should be in the middle lanes.
- Must make sure each rider nods when asked if they were ready, before starting.
- Must not start if unsure all are ready.
- If 1 rider isn't ready, the starter should go the whole process again.
- Aussie flag should be raised up high during asking if riders are ready and only drop on 'Start'.

This was created by the HJDBC Committee and not MNSW for the pure purpose of helping its members. As such does not intend to contradict or over rule anything in the MOMs.