

## Committee Report to 2019 AGM

Committee Name	<b>Officials Committee</b>
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### Past Year's Work

The revised O100 manual have been published. Many revisions were made after extensive committee discussions. There was a significant strategy change towards defining a C event as requiring a minimum of one O100 certified official, a B event as requiring a minimum 2 officials with one being an O200 controller and Canada requiring a minimum of three O300 officials. Please see the new manual for further details.

Seventy O Level certificates were issued in 2018 – 2019 to qualified officials. AOA asked for certificates for all active officials and provided officials' information for the national database. Thirty-nine certificates were provided to the AOA. Other associations that want to recognize their active officials can have them receive the new O level certificates with submission of the Orienteering Canada Official Record for each. Thanks to Anne for signing each certificate and OABC, OQ and OANS for promoting officials' certification.

The Orienteering Canada National Officials database has been continually updated and edited, adding new officials as they submit their official's record.

Officials for the 2019 Canadian Orienteering Championships were confirmed. In particular, the Ramblers are using a very experienced US course planner. The committee decided that person needed to read the O300 CP, write the O300 CP exam and submit example courses set. This sets a standard for future international officials. We just want to ensure these people know the Orienteering Canada event details.

We are nearing the completion of a major revision of the O200 Manual, Instructors Power Point Presentation, and exam. Special thanks to Marg and Richard..

### Future Work – Projects and Goals

- Finish the O200 Manual, Instructors Manual and exam.
- Start review of the O300 CP, O300 ED and O300 Controller Manuals to ensure they are consistent with the lower O level manuals.
- Continue evolution of the officials' certification process towards making increased electronic media available.

- Committee should review the work on Linda Hildebrandt's O100 electronic course material. The package, as originally viewed, was very well done, and gives a full on-line tap into doing the O100 as a full on-line package.

### **Successes and Challenges**

- Keeping the national database updated and all manuals current.
- Continued improvement of all O level manuals, etc.
- Encourage more Canada Cup events, partially to encourage officials to be certified at the highest levels but also to ensure high level events to fulfill OCan strategic plan.

### **Finances**

Conference calls, publishing and web pages well as fees for the Editing work.

### **Additional Notes**

Thanks to all committee members. Members ending a 2 term in 2019; Richard Guttormson, Margaret Ellis, Don Riddle, Stan Woods and Ian Sidders. Anyone interested in serving on this committee, conference call meetings monthly, we would be glad to have you.