

## WHITE BADGE OFFICIAL CERTIFICATION STRUCTURE 2008

Although the ITF White Badge Official certification is not divided into different categories, most certified officials specialise in different roles (with the majority work as Chair Umpires). The requirements below indicate the possible assignments and minimum requirements for retaining the White Badge in each individual role.

<b>Certification</b>	<b>Possible Assignments</b> (subject to selection by the relevant organisation)	<b>Minimum Annual Requirements For Retention</b>	<b>For Promotion:</b>
<b>Chair Umpire</b>	<p><b>All rounds at:</b> ITF Men's Circuit &amp; ITF Women's Circuit</p> <p><b>Up to Semi Finals at:</b> WTA Tour (Tier IV)</p> <p><b>Up to Quarter Finals at:</b> WTA Tour (Tiers III); Men's Challengers</p> <p><b>Up to Final Qualifying round at:</b> Grand Slams, ATP, WTA Tour (Tiers I &amp; II)</p> <p><b>Plus:</b> Davis Cup Zonal II, III and IV, Fed Cup Zonals, ITF Junior events, ITF Seniors events, ITF Wheelchair events &amp; National events</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum of 25 matches at professional events. Other matches may be taken into consideration in countries where there are not sufficient ITF Pro Circuit events, or at the discretion of ITF Officiating.</li> <li>• Satisfactory evaluations</li> <li>• Data Card, Eye Test Form and Open Book Test completed satisfactorily and by deadline</li> <li>• Conformance to "Code for Officials"</li> <li>• Endorsement at Re-certification meeting</li> </ul>	<p><b>Pass Level 3 School</b></p> <p><i>Application forms for Level 3 Schools are available on <a href="http://www.tennisofficial.com">www.tennisofficial.com</a> and must be endorsed by the relevant National Association and sent by the application deadline.</i></p>
<b>Chief Umpire</b>	<p>Professional events (when approved) plus ITF Junior events, ITF Seniors events, ITF Wheelchair events &amp; National events</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working as a Chief Umpire at professional events.</li> <li>• Satisfactory evaluations and reports</li> <li>• Data Card, Eye Test Form and Open Book Test completed satisfactorily and by deadline</li> <li>• Conformance to "Code for Officials"</li> <li>• Endorsement at Re-certification meeting</li> </ul>	<p><i>Selections for Level 3 Schools are made by the ITF in conjunction with the ATP and WTA Tour.</i></p> <p><i>Selections are based on work records, evaluations, excellent professionalism and conformance to "Code for Officials"; input from ITF/Grand Slam, ATP and WTA Tour professional officials and recommendations from National and Regional Associations.</i></p>
<b>Referee</b>	<p>ITF Junior events, ITF Seniors events, ITF Wheelchair events &amp; National events</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working as a Supervisor/Referee at ITF Junior, Senior or Wheelchair events, or National events.</li> <li>• Satisfactory evaluations and reports</li> <li>• Data Card, Eye Test Form and Open Book Test completed satisfactorily and by deadline</li> <li>• Conformance to "Code for Officials"</li> <li>• Endorsement at Re-certification meeting</li> </ul>	<p><i>Selections are based on work records, evaluations, excellent professionalism and conformance to "Code for Officials"; input from ITF/Grand Slam, ATP and WTA Tour professional officials and recommendations from National and Regional Associations.</i></p>