Annual Work Record Requirements for ATF Yellow and Orange Badge Officials

To ensure continuous development and maintain high officiating standards across Asia, ATF-certified officials are required to meet annual work record benchmarks. This system encourages active participation, practical experience, and sustained engagement in officiating duties, aligning with global best practices. Officials who meet the required criteria will be eligible for recertification, ensuring the integrity and quality of tournaments within the region.

The annual work record will be monitored through official submissions by all Yellow and Orange Badge officials. These records will be evaluated to assess each official's activity and performance. Based on this evaluation, recommendations will be made regarding recertification, ensuring a consistent and transparent approach to maintaining officiating standards throughout Asia. This process supports the ongoing development and professional growth of officials, aligning with the ATF's commitment to excellence in officiating.

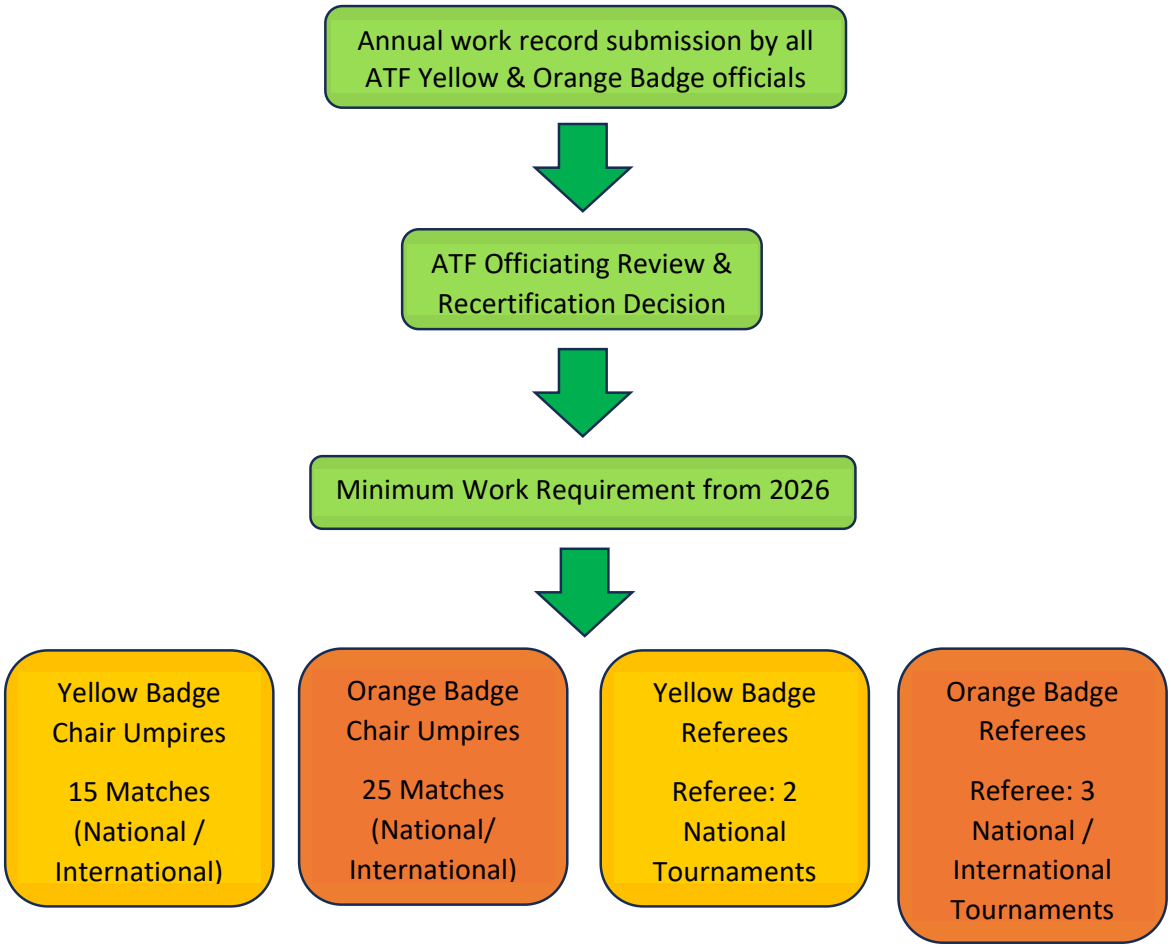
For Chair Umpires, the minimum work record requirements are as follows:

- Yellow Badge Chair Umpires must officiate a minimum of 15 matches at the national or international level per year.
- Orange Badge Chair Umpires are required to officiate a minimum of 25 matches at the national or international level per year.

For Referees, the criteria are:

- Yellow Badge Referees must serve as the referee at a minimum of two national tournaments annually.
- Orange Badge Referees must serve as the referee at a minimum of three national or international tournaments annually.

These minimum requirements are essential for maintaining certification and will come into effect starting from 2026. Officials failing to meet these criteria may be subject to review, with implications on their certification status.


Annual work record submission by all ATF Yellow & Orange Badge officials
ATF Officiating Review & Recertification Decision
Minimum Work Requirement from 2026
Yellow Badge Chair Umpires
15 Matches (National / International)
Orange Badge Chair Umpires
25 Matches (National/ International)
Yellow Badge Referees
Referee: 2 National Tournaments
Orange Badge Referees
Referee: 3 National / International Tournaments