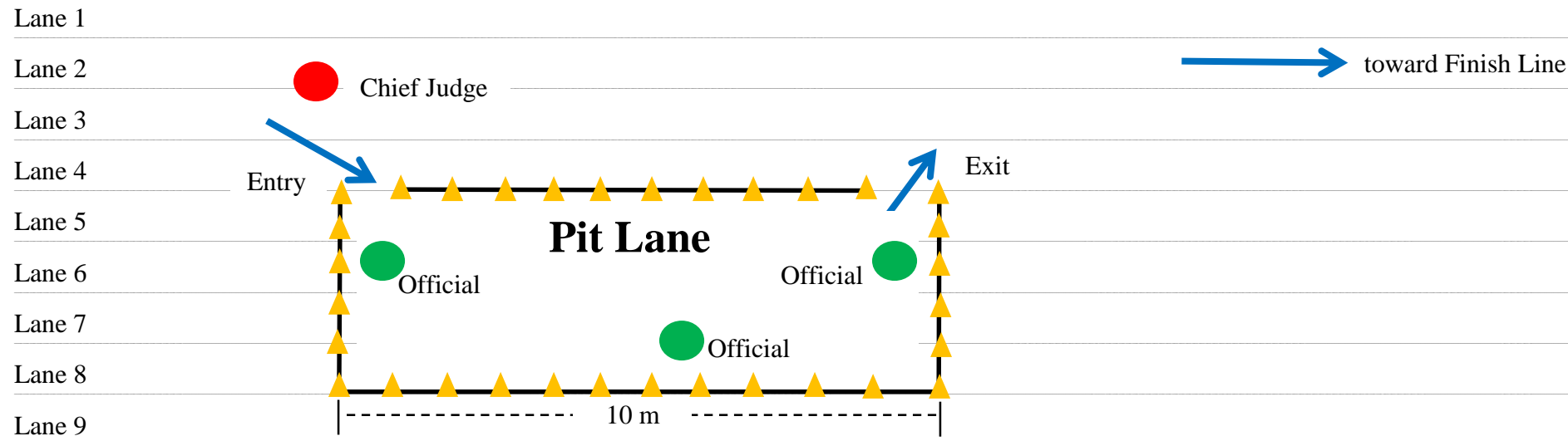


Recorder

Use of the Pit Lane (penalty area) during race walks [USATF Rules 230.3(c) and 230.3(j)]



----- 80 m -----
 The entry to the Pit Lane is approximately 80 meters before the Finish Line.

The Chief Judge or the Chief Judge’s Assistant will direct the athlete with three red cards into the Pit Lane. For a 3,000-meter race walk, the athlete with three red cards must stay in the pit lane for 60 seconds. Officials will keep track of the time, alert the athlete when there is 10 seconds remaining on the penalty, then release the athlete when the 60 seconds has expired.

The athlete is free to stop or continue moving inside the penalty area; however there shall be no benches and no access to refreshments, drinking, sponging or other kind of assistance, but communication with coaches is allowed. The athlete is not judged in the penalty area.

If the athlete receives a fourth red card (from a fourth judge), either while in the Pit Lane or afterward, the athlete will be disqualified.

If the athlete receives the third Red Card at the late stage of the race and it’s not possible for the Chief Judge or the Chief Judge’s Assistant to notify the athlete that the athlete must stop in the Pit Lane, the athlete shall finish the race, and the penalty (60 seconds for races up to 5,000 meters or 120 seconds for races longer than 5,000 meters and up to 10,000 meters) shall be added to the race walker’s official time.