USATF-GA Race Walk Committee Goals

1. Increase the number of race walkers on all (Youth, Junior, Open, Masters) levels.

2. Expose as many young track and field athletes and youth coaches to the sport of race walking, by helping them learn proper race walking technique, implementation of proper coaching methods, and identifying the long term competitive opportunities for walkers.

3. Provide opportunities for all race walkers to have a community, with whom they can train, compete, and share ideas.

4. Encourage meet directors to include a race walk in their program/invitationals/competitions.

5. Increase collegiate race walk connections with race walk athletes

6. Enhance school physical education programs with race walking units.

7. Add the race walk to the current RunJumpThrow programs, creating a RunJumpThrowWalk initiative.

8. Expand the race walk into the Georgia High School Association’s (GHSA) list of competitive track and field events as a sport addition, as an exhibition sport at the state meet, or as an event in interested county/region championships.

9. Increase the number of Georgia Race Walk Judges and Officials

10. Ensure that every certified Official, especially the Race Walk Judges and Race Walk Officials be familiar with and understand the current content and location of the rules applied to USATF Race Walk competitions.

11. Provide training and instruction to new coaches, officials and athletes. Enhance training and instructions with veteran walkers.

12. Retain race walkers in the sport post graduation, providing opportunities for improvement and competition at the net level in open, national-class events with the ultimate goal of vying for a spot on our USA Race Walk National Teams.

13. Provide venues and opportunities for Youth, Junior, Open and Masters Race Walkers to improve and compete.

14. Supply up-to date races and results, tips, and headline news.

15. Provide forums for information exchange.

16. Promote the sport of race walking

17. Increase community outreach programs.

18. Recognize the achievement related to race walking and race walkers.

19. Provide the latest race walking products to educate and help all race walkers reach their goals.

20. Help connect a small yet diverse community of race walkers.

21. Enhance the expansion of the number of officials qualified to judge the race walk.

22. Develop transitional programs from the youth to the junior and open levels; from the junior level to the college or senior levels; and from the collegiate and senior levels to the masters levels.

Athletically and respectfully submitted,
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