

### **Guidelines for master maps at Victorian events**

1. The use of master maps is permitted at all Victorian foot events of Badge standard or lower (i.e. excluding Victorian Championships (all distance), Victorian Relays, National League events and significant national carnival events).
2. The use of maps pre-marked with courses is encouraged, particularly at Badge and State Series events.
3. Master maps are to be at the same scale as, and of comparable quality to, the maps to be used in competition. (This does not exclude the use of a good-quality digital print for a master map where the competitors are using offset-printed maps, or vice versa).
4. The time taken to mark maps should not be included in competition time at any level of event.
5. The number of master maps provided should be adequate for the number of competitors, taking into account the start interval and allowing at least 5 minutes per competitor. At State Series events at least 3 master maps should be provided for courses 3, 4, 5 and 6, and at least 2 for all other courses.
6. A control description sheet should be available on the master map.
7. Any map corrections relevant to a competitor's course should be shown on the master map. In the interests of minimizing congestion at master maps, where there are map corrections these should also be available separately from the master maps.
8. The preferred colour for pens at master maps is purple. If red pens are used, another colour (e.g. blue) should also be available for the use of any colour-blind competitors.