



1. I would strongly suggest that those marking in the field be to the side and not in the sector especially in the discus. If you're limited to two officials in the sector as markers and or sticking I would still keep them outside of the sector and have them go to the mark. You must guard the sector lines especially if the discus hits close to the line. Nine times out of ten, you probably have nothing to worry about but you want to be in position that one time out of ten. Now this positioning means you have to go farther to make the mark, but it's worth it to be in position for the one that is close to the sector line.
2. These positions are my recommendations when I am the head official. Defer to the head official when it comes to positioning,
3. **Decathletes are always going for points and, though it is a rare occurrence, a discus can hit the cage, fall in the sector and still be legal and sometimes that is all these athletes can get (i.e., if they have fouled on their previous attempts, this may be their only legal mark). Make the decathletes know this rule.**