



Electronic Timing Course



Electronic Timing Course Syllabus

Course Overview

This course is designed to provide participants with the necessary knowledge and practical skills to operate and manage electronic timing systems in athletics competitions. The training will focus on the FinishLynx system, radio start systems, wind gauges, and result management software. Participants will engage in both theoretical and hands-on sessions to ensure they can confidently execute electronic timing tasks during official events.

Course Objectives

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Understand the fundamentals of electronic timing in athletics.
2. Operate the FinishLynx electronic timing system efficiently.
3. Set up and use auxiliary equipment, including wind gauges and start systems.
4. Troubleshoot common timing system issues.
5. Ensure accurate result processing and verification.
6. Apply best practices in electronic timing at competitions.
7. Utilize the IdentiLynx camera for long jump measurement.

Target Audience

- Technical officials and volunteers interested in electronic timing.
- Coaches and club representatives.
- Event organizers and competition managers.
- Any individual looking to gain knowledge of athletics timing systems.

Course Structure & Schedule

Pre-Course Preparation:

- Participants will receive two (2) webinar sessions and one online class before the in-person training sessions.

Session 1: Introduction & System Overview

- Overview of electronic timing in athletics.
- Introduction to the FinishLynx timing system.
- Understanding hardware components and setup.
- Hands-on setup and basic operation.

Session 2: Advanced System Operation & Troubleshooting

- Calibration and synchronization of timing systems.
- Understanding and using wind gauges.
- Introduction to radio start systems.
- Troubleshooting common issues.
- Usage of the IdentiLynx camera for long jump measurement.

Session 3: Practical Application & Live Testing

- Simulated competition timing practice.
- Live timing exercise under real event conditions.
- Processing results and ensuring accuracy.
- Q&A and review session.

Note: The content of the sessions may vary depending on the composition of the class.

Final Competition Practice

- The course will conclude with a real-time practice during a competition on April 4th and 5th.
- This will provide hands-on experience in a live event setting.
- Participation is limited, so apply soon!

Course Materials

- Training manual and guides.
- FinishLynx software overview document.
- Troubleshooting checklist.
- The participants will all have access to the online learning platform; SKILLS of Atletiekunie.

Assessment & Certification

Participants will be evaluated through:

- Hands-on practical assessments.
- A final timing simulation test.
- Participation and engagement throughout the course.

Successful participants will receive a Atletiekunie Electronic Timing Certificate, recognizing their competency in operating electronic timing systems for athletics events.

Instructor: Mr. Dennis Dirks

The course will be conducted by Mr. Dennis Dirks from SplitTime, The Netherlands. Dennis is a highly experienced electronic timing specialist who has worked with international athletics competitions. He has extensive knowledge of the FinishLynx system and has trained numerous officials across various federations in Europe and the Caribbean. His expertise ensures that participants will receive top-level training and hands-on experience in athletics electronic timing.

Course Venue & Schedule

- Location: Stadion Ergilio Hato (SDK) at Brievengat.

Time	TBD	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		03-04-2025	04 April 2025	05 April 2025
08.00 - 12:00	Course part 1 (online)		Course part 2	Competition
12:00 - 16:00		Aankomst CUR	Course part 3	
16:00 - 20:00			Competition	Competition

Course Fee

- Cost per participant: ANG 275.00 (USD150.00)

Registration & Contact Information

To register for the course or request further details, please contact:

- Email: board@curacao-athletics.com
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Atletiekunie about Electronic Timing Course

For more about the Electronic Timing Course of the Atletiekunie, please visit;

<https://www.atletiekunie.nl/kenniscentrum/opleidingen/voor-juryleden-officials/opleiding-tot-medewerker-90-of-chef-91-et/>

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SplitTime BV

Opgericht in 1999
Sinds 2001 distributeur van Lynx System Developers in de Benelux
Sinds 2001 reseller van MicroGate in de Benelux
Sinds 2005 distributeur van Active | IPICO voor de Benelux & Turkije

SplitTime hoogtepunten

2010 – World Championships Raften (Zoetermeer, Nederland)
2010 – EK Drakenboten (Amstelveen, Nederland)
2013 – Mediterranean Games (Mersin, Turkije)
2014 – Nike 5K Istanbul (Istanbul, Turkije)
2014 – ICS Africa Games (Addis Ababa, Ethiopië)
2015 – WC Icelandic Horse Racing (Oirschot, Nederland)
2016 – European Athletics Clubs Cup (Mersin, Turkije)
2017 – European Athletics Clubs Cup (Lille, France)
2022 – Invictus Games (Den Haag, Nederland)

2015- – Istanbul 1/2 marathon (Istanbul, Turkije)
2015- – Istanbul marathon (Istanbul, Turkije)
2018- – NK's & T&F series Atletiekunie (div., Nederland)
2020- – NK cross Atletiekunie (div. Nederland)

Persoonlijk Dennis Dirks

Ik heb zelf actief atletiek gedaan tot mijn 19^e, toen ik door een achillespees blessure niet langer op niveau kon sporten. Daarvoor deed ik voornamelijk hoogspringen, sprint en speerwerpen en de 10 kamp.

Ik heb daarna de meeste jurycursussen gedaan (wedstrijdleider, scheidsrechter, starter, tijdwaarneming, EDM en fotofinish). In 1989 ben ik timer geweest bij de Europees Kampioenschappen indoor in Den Haag. Min of meer bij toeval gevraagd door Lynx om distributeur te worden voor Nederland. Dat was het begin van SplitTime.

Regelmatig als gastspreker opgetreden bij conferenties van Lynx en IPICO (veelal ook over de integratie van die producten) en enkele jaren heb ik de cursus 90/91 (medewerker / chef ET) herschreven voor de atletiekunie om meer gericht te zijn op dagelijkse operatie.

Voor Lynx ook regelmatig trainingen verzorgd (o.a. in Addis Ababa, vandaar de "vreemde" wedstrijd op de bedrijfs CV).