

**USATF RULES COMMITTEE SCORECARD
2009 Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN**

APPROVED

Item	Action	Item	Action	Item	Action	Item	Action	Item	Action
1	W	21	A	41	A	61	A	81	A
2	T	22	A	42	A	62	A	82	A
3	A	23	A	43	T	63	A	83	A
4	W	24	AA	44	A	64	R	84	A
5	T	25	A	45	A	65	A	85	A
6	AA	26	A	46	R	66	A	86	AA
7	T	27	A	47	R	67	A		
8	A	28	A	48	A	68	A		
9	A	29	AA	49	R	69	AA		
10	A	30	A	50	T	70	A		
11	AA	31	A	51	A	71	AA		
12	AA	32	A	52	A	72	A		
13	AA	33	A	53	R	73	W		
14	A	34	AA	54	A	74	T		
15	A	35	W	55	A	75	A		
16	A	36	W	56	A	76	A		
17	AA	37	A	57	A	77	A		
18	A	38	A	58	A	78	A		
19	A	39	A	59	A	79	AA		
20	A	40	A	60	R	80	A		

Final Recommendations: A=Accepted AA= Accepted As Amended R=Rejected T=Tabled
W=Withdrawn

Amended Items from the Original Package of Submissions

Item 6 – Tabled 2009 Item 79 – Submitted by Glenn Fortune on behalf of Inez Finch, Youth Committee Amend Rule 300.1(b) as follows and renumber existing paragraphs:

The program is divided into ~~((five))~~ six divisions for boys and ~~((five))~~ six divisions for girls. ...

<u>Sub Bantam Division</u>	<u>2002+</u>	<u>2003+</u>	<u>2004+</u>
Bantam Division	1998 – 1999	1999 – 2000	2000 – 2001

(c) Athletes must be at least seven (7) years of age on the first day of the Youth Athletics National Championship to compete at the National Championship

Rule 300.1(e) –

In track and field, a competitor in the Sub Bantam, Bantam or Midget divisions may enter a maximum of ...

Rule 301 –

SUB BANTAM DIVISION

<u>100 Meter Dash</u>	<u>1500 Meter Run</u>	<u>Long Jump</u>
<u>200 Meter Dash</u>	<u>4x100 Meter Relay</u>	<u>Shot Put (2 kg)</u>
<u>400 Meter Dash</u>	<u>4x400 Meter Relay</u>	<u>800 Meter Run</u>

Rule 304.2 –

The Sub Bantam division shall run approximately 2km, Bantam and Midget divisions shall run approximately 3km. ...

NOTE: The addition of the sub-Bantam at the National Championship is effective 2011.

Item 11 – Amend Classifications preceding Rule 1 as follows: (IAAF 22)

(d) Masters: In Track and Field and Race Walking, the Masters classification shall be limited to athletes who are at least thirty-five (35) years old on the first day of the meet. In Long Distance Running, the Masters classification shall be limited to athletes who are at least forty (40) years old on the first day of the meet. ~~((Effective January 1, 2011, the LDR limit shall be changed to 35 years old.))~~

Item 12 – New Rule 6.8 as follows: (IAAF 19)

A Technical Information Center shall be established for Championships in Rules 10 and 11, which are held over more than one day, and may be used for other competitions. The main function of the Technical Information Center is to ensure smooth communication between the competitors, Games Committee and competition administration regarding technical and other matters relating to the competition.

Item 13 – Amend Rule 9.1 as follows: (IAAF 12)

So far as possible, the rules for the Championships shall apply to all other competitions conducted or sanctioned by USATF or any of its Associations. In competitions other than National Championships, events may be held in a different format to that provided under the USATF Rules of Competition, but broader Rules, giving more rights to the athletes, cannot be applied. These formats shall be decided by the respective bodies having the control over the competition.

Item 17 – Add a new Rule 125.9 and renumber as follows: (IAAF 17)

... The Referee for track events and for events outside the stadium shall have no jurisdiction over matters within the responsibilities of the Chief Judge of Race Walking events. See Rules 230 and 232. For road events, the Referee shall, wherever practicable, give a warning prior to disqualification. See Rule 243.3.

Item 24 – Amend Rule 144.3(i) and (j) as follows: (IAAF 27)

~~(((i) Use of any technical device that incorporates springs, wheels or any other element that provides the user with an advantage over another athlete not using such a device.~~

~~(j) Use of any appliance that has the effect of increasing the dimension of a piece of equipment beyond the permitted maximum in the Rules or that provides the user with an advantage which would not have been obtainable using the equipment specified in the Rules.))~~

(i) The use of any technology or appliance that provides the user with an unfair advantage which would not have been obtainable using equipment complying with the Rules.

NOTE: Shoes complying with Rule 143 are permitted.

Item 29 – New Rule 150 as follows: (IAAF 33)

VIDEO RECORDING

An official video recording of all events to the satisfaction of the appropriate Sport Committees shall be made in competitions held under Rule 10 and Rule 11, and may be made in other competitions. The video recording should be sufficient to demonstrate the accuracy of performances and any violation of the Rules.

Item 34 – Amend Rule 162.9 as follows: (IAAF 37)

An athlete, after assuming a full and final set position, shall not commence his/her start until after receiving the report of the gun. If, in the judgment of the Starter or Recaller he/she does so any earlier, it will be deemed a false start.

~~If in the judgment of the Starter a competitor commences the starting motion after assuming a full and final set position, and before receiving the report of the pistol/starting device, it shall be considered a false start.~~

Item 38 – Amend Rule 162.12 as follows: (IAAF 38)

~~((No penalty shall be imposed for the first false start in a race. The competitor(s) responsible for the false start shall be warned with a yellow card/flag placed on the respective lane marker(s). At the same time, all the other competitors taking part in the race shall be warned with a yellow card/flag raised in front of them to notify them that anyone committing further false starts will be disqualified. This last mentioned basic system (to raise a card/flag in front of the athlete(s) responsible for the false start) will also be followed in case lane markers are not being used. In case of further false starts, the))~~
Except in Combined Events, any competitor(s) responsible for the false start shall be disqualified and a red card/flag shall be placed on the respective lane marker(s), or raised in front of the respective athlete(s).

Amend 302.2(d) as follows:

For the Sub Bantam, Bantam, Midget and Youth age divisions, no penalty shall be imposed for the first false start, but the Starter shall disqualify the offender or offenders for the second false start. False starts are called on individuals, not on the field.

NOTE: Intermediate, Young Men/Women's age divisions follow Rule 162.12.

Item 69 – Amend Rule 230.1(d) as follows: (IAAF 69)

At International Selection Competitions two or more Chief Judge's assistants shall be appointed. The Chief Judge's Assistants shall not act as a Race Walking Judge.

Item 71 – Amend Rule 230.3(f) as follows: (IAAF 68)

... A competitor who is disqualified under these circumstances shall be allowed to finish the race. The competitor shall be notified of this disqualification by the Chief Judge or a Chief Judge’s Assistant by showing the athlete a red paddle at the earliest opportunity after the athlete has finished the race.

Item 79 – Amend Rule 263.1 as follows: (IAAF 63 – IAAF Rule 260.19, 260.21)

Outdoor track records may be made only on a track which conforms to Rule 160, is not banked and ~~((which))~~ is composed of a substance on which normal running spikes can be used. Indoor running and walking records may be made on any type of surface provided it is indoors. Indoor Records may be made on tracks which conform to Rules 211 and 212. Other records may not.

Item 83 – Amend Rule 332.2(j) as follows: (WMA)

Point of Information: *In following Rule 332.1(c), these tables are being updated in concert with changes implemented by the WMA. These changes are listed for information.*

HURDLE HEIGHTS AND SPACINGS						
MEN’S INDOOR						
Ages	Distance	Height	#	To 1st	Between	to Finish
30-49	60m	0.991m (39")	5	13.72m	9.14m	9.72m
50-59	60m	0.914m (36")	5	13.00m	8.50m	13.00m
60-69	60m	0.840m (33")	5	((16)) 12.00m*	8.00m	((12)) 16.00m*
70-79	60m	0.762m (30")	5	12.00m	7.00m	20.00m
80&up	60m	0.686m (27")	5	12.00m	7.00m	20.00m
MEN’S OUTDOOR SHORT						
Ages	Distance	Height	#	To 1st	Between	to Finish
30-49	110m	0.991m (39")	10	13.72m	9.14m	14.02m
50-59	100m	0.914m (36")	10	13.00m	8.50m	10.50m
60-69	100m	0.840m (33")	10	((16)) 12.00m*	8.00m	((12)) 16.00m*
70-79	80m	0.762m (30")	8	12.00m	7.00m	19.00m
80&up	80m	0.686m (27")	8	12.00m	7.00m	19.00m
MEN’S OUTDOOR LONG						
Ages	Distance	Height	#	To 1st	Between	to Finish
30-39	400m	0.914m (36")	10	45m	35m	40m
50-59	400m	0.840m (33")	10	45m	35m	40m
60-69	300m*	0.762m (30")	7	50m	35m	40m
70((&up)) -79	300m*	0.686m (27")	7	50m	35m	40m
80&up	<u>200m*</u>	0.686m (27")	<u>5</u>	<u>50m</u>	<u>35m</u>	<u>40m</u>

* These changes will take place on May 1, 2010.

WMA IMPLEMENTS					
WOMEN					
Ages	Shot	Discus	Hammer	Javelin	Weight
30-49	4 kg	1 kg	4 kg	600 g	9.08 kg (20 lb)
50-59	3 kg	1 kg	3 kg	500 g	7.26 kg (16 lb)
60- ((79)) 74*	3 kg	1 kg	3 kg	400 g	5.45 kg (12 lb)
75+*	<u>2 kg</u>	<u>0.75 kg*</u>	<u>2 kg</u>	<u>400 g*</u>	<u>4 kg (8.8 lb)*</u>
((80+)) *	((3 kg)) *	((0.75 kg)) *	((3 kg)) *	((400 g)) *	((5.45 kg (12 lb))) *
MEN					
Ages	Shot	Discus	Hammer	Javelin	Weight
30-49	7.26 kg (16 lb)	2 kg	7.26 kg (16 lb)	800 g	15.88 kg (35 lb)
50-59	6 kg	1.5 kg	6 kg	700 g	11.34 kg (25 lb)
60-69	5 kg	1 kg	5 kg	600 g	9.08 kg (20 lb)
70-79	4 kg	1 kg	4 kg	500 g	7.26 kg (16 lb)

80&up	3 kg	1 kg	3 kg	400 g	5.45 kg (12 lb)
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* These changes to be effective May 1, 2010.

Item 86 – Amend Rule 240 as follows: (to comply with L&L changes)

1. The course used for a competition shall be certified prior to the running of the event in accordance with USATF Operating Regulation 6, unless the course is deemed uncertifiable by the Road Running Technical Council. A course may be designated as “USATF Certified” only if it has been certified in accordance with USATF Operating Regulation 6.

2. Definition of course:

a. Path: A running course shall be defined as the streets, roads, paths, marked paths on grass, gravel or dirt, and/or paths using established permanent landmarks or benchmarks which is intended as the runner’s path for any type of race; and

b. Shortest possible route: The measured running course shall involve the course noted above and the measurement shall follow the runner’s shortest possible legal route.

3. USATF certification: A course may be designated as “USA Track & Field Certified” only if a final signatory national certifier who is approved by the certification chair of the Road Running Technical Council of USATF has determined that the shortest possible route has been measured with reasonably accuracy:

a. Stated distance: Courses meet certification standards if the measurements demonstrate that the course is at least the stated distance. In order to ensure that a course is not short, the measurement must include an addition of 1/1000th of the stated race distance;

NOTE: Information concerning acceptable methods of measuring courses should be obtained from the Road Running Technical Council of USATF prior to the measurement of a long distance course.

b. Effective date: Certification is effective as of the date that all measurements and necessary adjustments are submitted as evidenced by the postmark, although the actual review and approval of the certification may be at a later date.

Rationale: This section is moved from the Regulations as the result of the Law & Legislation changes.