**Athletics New Zealand (Incorporated)**

**Proposed amendments of Competition Regulations 10.2 & C3.4**

Set out below are the proposed changes to regulations required to alter the structure of education and regional Officials, and adaption of the NOC structure.

The proposal is to change from having Regional Officials Educators (ROE), to having Regional Officials Administrators (ROA). This change is being proposed so as to lift the level of education and standardise the material being presented.
Additionally, a group of Presenters will be established using World Athletics TOECS LI Lecturers qualification as a basis of accreditation or equivalency.

The Centre ROA will be required to complete an education request which will be actioned by the ANZ Officials Development Manager who will arrange a presenter to carry out the education session. It is hoped that we can have presenters throughout the country to reduce travel and costs. Costs, which will vary depending on numbers and material to be presented, either covered by ANZ, shared with the Centre, or covered by the Centre.

Currently Officials Education is controlled by the National Officials Committee (NOC) as set out in the regulations clause 10.2. This is proposed to become an advisory group working with the ANZ Officials Development Manager. The advisory group will have a convenor who will work closely with the ANZOM who will arrange regular meetings and a work plan.

Changes required to the regulations:-

 **10.2 Officials development programme**

Athletics NZ will have a development programme for Officials which is administered by an appointed staff member. The staff member will be supported by an ~~committee~~ advisory group of four members called the National Officials Advisory Group ~~Committee~~, who may make recommendations to the Chief Executive. The committee shall be appointed by the Chief Executive to hold office for 4 years, usually commencing 1 July in the year of appointment, except that 1 member shall retire each year as decided by the Chief Executive.

***C3.4 - CONTROL OF CHAMPIONSHIPS***

1. The championships shall be controlled by Athletics NZ who shall be represented by a Technical Delegate appointed by the National Officials ~~Committee~~ Advisory Group. For championships involving a small number of events and/or competitors, the National Officials ~~Committee~~ Advisory Group may recommend that a Referee be appointed to act as the Technical Delegate. It is recommended that such appointments be made at least nine (9) months prior to a Track and Field Championship and six (6) months for all other championship events.

*[Note: The Technical Delegate should normally be selected from the current panel of World Athletics International Technical Officials or be a TOECS Level II graded Official or be an experienced National Technical Official with the appropriate Level A qualification. For championships involving a small number of events and/or competitors the National Officials ~~Committee~~ Advisory Group may choose to recommend the appointment of a Referee to act as the Technical Delegate.]*

1. The Technical Delegate should act in a manner as set in World Athletics Rule CR5 (Technical Delegates). The Technical Delegate should arrange for the correction of any irregularity to be done either through the manager of the meeting or the appropriate Referee. The Technical Delegate may use discretion, in the light of the evidence presented, to correct errors in entries.
2. Athletics NZ National Office may appoint an Organisational Delegate, normally an employee of Athletics NZ, who should act in a manner as set in World Athletics Rule CR4 (Organisational Delegates).
3. The Chairperson and other members of the Jury of Appeal shall be appointed by the National Officials ~~Committee~~ Advisory Group at least two (2) months prior to the holding of the championships, normally from a list nominated by the Organising Committee conducting the championships.
4. For the Track and Field Championships the National Officials ~~Committee~~ Advisory Group may appoint one or more Assistant Technical Delegates to assist the Technical Delegate in the running of the event.
5. All positions of responsibility shall be appointed by the National Officials ~~Committee~~ Advisory Group, normally from a list nominated by the Organising Committee conducting the championships. These positions shall comply with the following restrictions:
6. All other officials shall be appointed by an Officials Appointment Committee comprising the following delegates:
* National Officials ~~Committee~~ Advisory Group member (Convenor)
* Championship Technical Delegate
* Local Organising Committee – Officials Manager
* Athletics NZ Representative
1. A list of the names of all officials nominated by the Officials Appointment Committee, including nominations for the Jury of Appeal, shall be submitted to the National Officials ~~Committee~~ Advisory Group at least three (3) months for the Track and Field Championships and two (2) months for all other championships prior to the holding of the championships.

The Rules Committee seeks comment before making a recommendation to the Board.

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