



**COMPETITION AND TECHNICAL RULE AMENDMENTS APPROVED BY WORLD ATHLETICS COUNCIL – July 2024**  
(to be in force immediately unless stated otherwise)

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	Rule	Action	Current	Amended	Reason		Comment
	<b>CR27</b>		<b>Wind Gauge Operator</b>				
	CR27	Correct	In such cases it is almost always connected to the photo finish and results “system”, so that a Wind Gauge Operator will not be required, and their duties are filled, for example, by someone in the photo finish team.	In such cases it is almost always connected to the <del>photo finish</del> <b>Photo Finish</b> and results “system”, so that a Wind Gauge Operator will not be required, and their duties are filled, for example, by someone in <del>photo finish</del> <b>Photo Finish</b> team.	Consistent use of capital letters		Editorial
	<b>CR28</b>		<b>Measurement Judge (Scientific)</b>				
	CR28	Correct	When electronic or video distance measuring equipment is used, a Chief Judge is placed as the official in charge in a similar way as is the case with photo finish or transponder timing.	When electronic or video distance measuring equipment is used, a Chief Judge is placed as the official in charge in a similar way as is the case with <del>photo finish</del> <b>Photo Finish</b> or <del>transponder timing</del> <b>Transponder Timing</b> .	Consistent use of capital letters		Editorial
	<b>CR31</b>		<b>World Records</b>				
	CR31.7.3	Correct	In the case of a Track World Record where Fully Automatic Timing was in operation, the photo finish and zero control test images;	In the case of a Track World Record where Fully Automatic Timing was in operation, the <del>photo finish</del> <b>Photo Finish</b> and zero control test images;	Consistent use of capital letters		Editorial
	<b>TR6</b>		<b>Assistance to Athletes</b>				
	TR6.3.1	Amend	Pacing in races by persons not participating in the same race, by athletes lapped or about to be lapped or by any kind of technical device (other than those permitted under Rule 6.4.4 of the Technical Rules).	Pacing in races by persons not participating in the same race, by athletes lapped or about to be lapped or by any kind of technical device (other than those permitted under Rules 6.4.4 <b>and</b> 6.4.8 of the Technical Rules).	Correct references		Editorial

TR9		Mixed Competition					
	TR9.2	Amend	<p>However, the following may be permitted in all competitions except those held under paragraphs 1. (a), (b), (c) and 2. (a), (b) of the World Rankings Competition definition. In the case of competitions held under paragraphs 1 (e), (d) and 2. (c), (d), (e) of the World Rankings Competition definition such competition shall always be allowed in Field Events and in events per Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules, if specifically permitted by the relevant Area Association: 9.2.1 mixed stadium competition in races of 5000m or longer...</p>	<p>However, the following may be permitted: <del>in all competitions except those held under paragraphs 1. (a), (b), (c) and 2. (a), (b) of the World Rankings Competition definition. In the case of competitions held under paragraphs 1 (e), (d) and 2. (c), (d), (e) of the World Rankings Competition definition such competition shall always be allowed in Field Events and in events per Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules, if specifically permitted by the relevant Area Association:</del></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- in competitions under paragraphs 1. (a), (b), (c) and 2. (a), (b), (c) of the World Rankings Competition definition in Field Events if permitted by the applicable regulations,</li> <li>- in competitions under paragraphs 1. (d), (e) and 2. (d), (e) of the World Rankings Competition definition always in Field Events and if specifically permitted by the relevant Area Association in events per Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules,</li> <li>- in competitions under paragraph 3 of the World Rankings Competition definition always in Field Events and if specifically permitted by the relevant Member Federation in events per Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules:</li> </ul> <p>9.2.1 mixed stadium competition in races of 5000m or longer...</p>	To make the Rule and the corresponding green text consistent		

	TR9.2		Amend	<p>The intent of Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules is to facilitate the conduct of races of 5000m or longer, when small numbers of athletes of one or both sexes are entered, or in the case of longer events (e.g. a track Race Walk of 10,000m or more), where timetabling constraints make it difficult to program separate races. The intent of the Rule is not to provide opportunity for women to compete in races against men to achieve potentially better performance conditions.</p> <p>To be clear, mixed competition in Field Events and in races of 5000m or longer is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. permitted in all national competitions, subject only to the rules of the applicable federation. (No additional permission from an Area Association is required);</li> <li>b. permitted in a competition held under paragraph 2. (d) of the World Rankings Competition definition if specifically permitted by the relevant Area Association;</li> <li>c. not permitted in a competition held under paragraphs 1. and 2. (a), (b), (c), (e) of the World Rankings Competition definition unless in the case of Field Events the applicable regulations for the competition so provide.</li> </ul>	<p>The intent of Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules is to facilitate the conduct of races of 5000m or longer, when small numbers of athletes of one or both sexes are entered, <del>or in the case of longer events (e.g. a track Race Walk of 10,000m or more), where timetabling constraints make it difficult to program separate races.</del> The intent of the Rule is not to provide opportunity for women to compete in races against men to achieve potentially better performance conditions.</p> <p>To be clear, mixed competition <del>in Field Events and in races of 5000m or longer</del> is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. permitted in all national competitions <b>in Field Events and if specifically permitted by the relevant Member Federation in races of 5000m or longer according to Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules,</b> subject only to the rules of the applicable federation. (No additional permission from an Area Association is required);</li> <li>b. permitted in <del>a-</del>competitions held under paragraphs <b>1. (d), (e) and 2. (d), (e)</b> of the World Rankings Competition definition <b>in Field Events and</b> if specifically permitted by the relevant Area Association <b>in races of 5000m or longer according to Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules;</b></li> <li>c. not permitted in <del>a-</del>competitions held under paragraphs 1. <b>(a), (b), (c)</b> and 2. (a), (b), (c); <del>(e)</del> of the World Rankings Competition definition unless in the case of Field Events the applicable regulations for the competition so provide.</li> </ul>	To make the Rule and the corresponding green text consistent		
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TR19		Timing and Photo Finish					
TR19.20		Correct	There should be at least two photo finish cameras in action, one from each side.	There should be at least two <del>photo finish</del> <b>Photo Finish</b> cameras in action, one from each side.	Consistent use of capital letters		Editorial
TR19.21		Correct	At major events where the technology is available, the photo finish image is often immediately provided on the video board or published on the internet.	At major events where the technology is available, the <del>photo finish</del> <b>Photo Finish</b> image is often immediately provided on the video board or published on the internet.	Consistent use of capital letters		Editorial
TR19.26		Correct	It is important that when using transponder timing that appropriate back-up systems are put in place by the Organisers, ...	It is important that when using <del>transponder timing</del> <b>Transponder Timing</b> that appropriate back-up systems are put in place by the Organisers, ...	Consistent use of capital letters		Editorial
TR20		Seedings, Draws and Qualification in Track Events					
TR20.1		Amend	Where Qualification Rounds are held, all athletes must compete in, and qualify through, all such rounds except that the relevant governing body may, for one or more events, authorise the conduct of additional preliminary qualification round(s) either at the same competition or at one or more earlier competitions... <i>Note: See also Rule 8.4.3 of the Technical Rules.</i>	Where Qualification Rounds are held, all athletes must compete in, and qualify through, all such rounds except that the relevant governing body may, for one or more events, authorise the conduct of additional <del>preliminary</del> qualification round(s) either at the same competition or at one or more earlier competitions... <i>Note (i): See also Rule 8.4.3 of the Technical Rules.</i> <b>Note (ii): Additional qualification round(s) may include preliminary qualification round(s) and/or Repechage Round(s)</b>	To allow for Repechage Rounds, in which not all athletes will compete in		
TR20.2.1		Amend	Such information shall also be provided for any additional preliminary qualification round(s).	Such information shall also be provided for any additional <del>preliminary</del> qualification round(s).	Consequence of the amendment to TR20.1		
TR20.4.1		Amend	Unless the applicable regulations provide otherwise, for the first round and any additional preliminary qualification round as per Rule 20.1 of the Technical Rules, the lane order shall be drawn by lot.	Unless the applicable regulations provide otherwise, for the first round and any additional <del>preliminary</del> qualification round as per Rule 20.1 of the Technical Rules, the lane order shall be drawn by lot.	Consequence of the amendment to TR20.1		

	TR20.8		Correct	... it is important for back-up timing systems to be available for Qualification Rounds in case the primary system (usually photo finish) fails.	... it is important for back-up timing systems to be available for Qualification Rounds in case the primary system (usually <del>photo finish</del> Photo Finish) fails.	Consistent use of capital letters		Editorial
	<b>TR22</b>	<b>Hurdle Races</b>						
	TR22.7		Correct	Except as provided in Rules 22.6.1 and 22.6.2 of the Technical Rules, the knocking down of hurdles shall not result in disqualification nor prevent a Record being made.	Except as provided in Rules <del>22.6.1</del> 22.6.2 and <del>22.6.2</del> 22.6.3 of the Technical Rules, the knocking down of hurdles shall not result in disqualification nor prevent a Record being made.	Correct references		Editorial
	<b>TR25</b>	<b>General Conditions – Field Events</b>						
	TR25.2		Correct	It is particularly important that the Judges interpret this Rule reasonably so as to ensure the competition proceeds in an efficient manner and the athlete is able if they so choose to take their trial immediately their time begins.	It is particularly important that the Judges interpret this Rule reasonably so as to ensure the competition proceeds in an efficient manner and the athlete is able, if they so choose, to take their trial immediately their time begins.	Add missing commas		Editorial
	TR25.9		Amend	Performances accomplished in a Qualification Round or additional preliminary qualification round(s) shall not be considered as part of the final.	Performances accomplished in a Qualification Round or additional <del>preliminary</del> qualification round(s) shall not be considered as part of the final.	In analogy to the amendment to TR20.1		
	TR25.17		Correct	For the Pole Vault, the time shall begin when the crossbar has been adjusted according to the previous wishes of the athlete. No additional time will be allowed for further adjustment.	For the Pole Vault, the time shall begin when the crossbar has been adjusted according to the previous wishes of the athlete. <del>No additional time will be allowed for further adjustment.</del>	According to the latest amendment of TR28.1, no further adjustment of the position of the crossbar is allowed anymore.		Editorial
	TR25.22		Correct	<i>Note: For Vertical Jumps, see Rules 26.8, 26.9 of the Technical Rules.</i>	<i>Note: For Vertical Jumps, see Rules 26.8; <del>and</del> 26.9 of the Technical Rules.</i>	For consistency		Editorial
	<b>TR32</b>	<b>General Conditions – Throwing Events</b>						
	TR32.5.2		Correct	The placement by an athlete, in the Shot Put and Discus Throw, on the implement, chalk or a similar substance.	The placement by an athlete, in the Shot Put and Discus Throw, on the implement, <del>of</del> chalk or a similar substance.	To be correct		Editorial

TR38		Javelin Throw				
TR38.3	Amend	Until the javelin has been thrown, an athlete shall not at any time turn completely around, so that their back is towards the throwing arc.	Until the javelin has been thrown, an athlete shall not at any time turn completely around, so that their back is towards the throwing arc. <i>Note: This Rule refers to the run-up and the act of throwing, not to an athlete walking back before starting their attempt or after having interrupted it.</i>	To be clear		Editorial
TR55		Road Races				
TR55.1	Amend	The standard distances shall be: Road Mile, 5km, 10km, 15km, 20km, Half-Marathon, 25km, 30km, Marathon (42.195km), 50km, 100km and Road Relay.	The standard distances shall be: Road Mile, 5km, 10km, 15km, <b>10 Miles</b> , 20km, Half-Marathon, 25km, 30km, Marathon (42.195km), 50km, 100km and Road Relay.	Was started to be officially recognized already in 2023		Editorial
TR56		Cross Country Races				
TR56.9	Correct	At the end of each funnel, officials will note the athletes' numbers/names and if applicable recover their transponder timing chips.	At the end of each funnel, officials will note the athletes' numbers/names and if applicable recover their <del>transponder timing</del> <b>Transponder Timing</b> chips.	Consistent use of capital letters		Editorial