



## **COMBINED EVENTS TOUR REGULATIONS**

*(Approved by Council, 28 February 2024, effective from 08 March 2024)*



## 1. **General Principles**

- 1.1. The World Athletics Combined Events Tour provides clearly understood differing levels of competition based on prize money and quality of organisation for worldwide international two-day meetings, subject to fulfilment of the minimum requirements set out in these Regulations.
- 1.2. Regulations governing the World Athletics Combined Events Tour – Gold Level shall be issued to the World Athletics Combined Events Tour Meeting Organisers ('Organisers') and may be amended every year by World Athletics in agreement with the Area Associations.
- 1.3. Organisers agree to respect all Rules and Regulations and decisions taken by World Athletics.
- 1.4. The World Athletics Combined Events Tour calendar can be found on the World Athletics website.
- 1.5. No Application shall be considered if it does not meet the minimum requirements set out in these Regulations.



## **PART I - GOLD LEVEL STATUS REQUIREMENTS**

### **1. Applications**

1.1. Formal Applications for a World Athletics Combined Events Tour – Gold Level shall be submitted as follows:

1.1.1. On the Application Form;

1.1.2. Signed by both the Organiser and the host National Federation and submitted to World Athletics; and

1.1.3. By the deadline set by World Athletics.

### **2. Evaluation and Reporting**

2.1. All World Athletics Combined Events Tour - Gold Level Meetings **will be selected by World Athletics only**, and will undergo an annual evaluation on all aspects of their organisation:

- level of the Athletes competing;
- Prize Money;
- respect of these Regulations;
- respect of all other Rules and Regulations and the Television Production and Graphic Branding Guidelines;
- respect of the financial commitments towards the Athletes;
- conduct of anti-doping measures;
- technical conduct of the competition;
- services provided to the Athletes;
- event presentation;
- media services.

2.2. The status can be reviewed according to procedures agreed by World Athletics.

2.3. A Technical Delegate (TD) will be appointed by World Athletics for each Gold level Combined Events Tour Meeting. Provided they are suitably qualified, the TD can be from any Country or Territory including the Country or Territory where the Meeting is located.

2.3.1. The role of the TD is to ensure the Meeting is run in accordance with World Athletics Rules and Regulations including these Regulations.

2.3.2. Costs of travel and accommodation for the TD to be borne by the Meeting. The TD will be appointed with low cost of travel in mind.

2.3.3. Following each Meeting the designated TD will be required to complete a Report Form concerning the staging of the Meeting to be returned to World Athletics no later than 10 days after the Meeting.

2.3.4. A copy of the TD's Report will also be given to the Organiser and the Area Association where the Meeting is held.

### **3. Minimum Requirements for Application**

3.1. Minimum standards of organisation

The observation and respect of the applicable Rules and Regulations shall always be one of the minimum requirements. Should a Meeting not satisfy the minimum requirements, World Athletics retains the right not to deliver a Permit, to downgrade a Meeting and / or take further action under its Rules and Regulations.

### 3.2. Stadium and Technical Aspects

Min. Spectator Capacity      3000

Min. Lanes                      8 lanes

All track and field facilities and competition equipment must conform to the Rules and Regulations as amended from time to time. Further to this general requirement:

Athletics Facility Certificate      Class 1 is preferred but must be at least Class 2

Equipment                      World Athletics Certified

Implements                      Certified (all personal and those provided by the Organiser)

Timing                              Fully automatic timing obtained from a Photo Finish System

Measurement                      EDM and/or approved VDM equipment

Display                              2 infield timing boards. 1 infield scoring board per field event.

Data processing                      TV/Live Streaming compatible

Electronic False Start              Preferred but obligatory for WR ratification

Electronic Wind Gauge              Preferred but obligatory for WR ratification

Warm-up Area                      Adequate for all disciplines

### 3.3. Athlete Participation

- a. A minimum of 12 men and 12 women should take part.
- b. A minimum of 8 men and 8 women ranked in the Top 100 of the previous year's, or subsequent, Combined Events World Rankings List from 8 different countries should take part.
- c. A minimum of 50% athletes competing should be from the host Area Association.
- d. A minimum of 10% athletes competing should be from outside the host Area Association.
- e. A maximum of seven (7) athletes from any one country (other than the host country) may compete in any event.
- f. Athletes requesting entry into a Meeting shall receive priority based on their position in the World Rankings. The request must be received by the Organiser at least one month prior the date of the meeting. For any Athlete (including a 'Ranked Athlete' as defined in the Athletes' Representatives Rules), Organisers must only negotiate their participation in the Meeting with:
  - i. a World Athletics licensed Athletes' Representative;
  - ii. a Member Federation who has received the prior written consent of World Athletics' CEO to represent the athlete;
  - iii. the Athlete themselves (if they have chosen to represent themselves).

A complete list of registered Athletes' Representatives is available from World Athletics website at <https://worldathletics.org/athletes/athlete-representatives>

#### 3.4. Prize Money at the World Athletics Combined Events Tour Gold Level Meetings

- a. A minimum total prize money purse of 25,000 USD must be offered for the meeting to be distributed evenly between men and women. It must be published on the meeting website at least three (3) months in advance of the competition.
- b. The following shall be at the Organiser's discretion:
  - Bonuses for breaking a World Record.
- c. Prize Money shall be paid within 60 days of receipt of the doping control clearance from the Athletics Integrity Unit and of the complete invoices, which must comply with the communicated legal, fiscal and procedural requirements of the Organiser.
- d. Payment of travel reimbursements will be made at the Meeting or within 2 weeks after the Meeting, provided the necessary paperwork has been given to the Organiser.
- e. Upon request from World Athletics, an Organiser has the obligation to provide within two weeks, proof of the payments made to the Athletes.

#### 3.5. Insurance

Organisers must sign a liability insurance policy, in favour of the Athletes, officials and spectators, to cover risks for which they may be liable. Another insurance policy should be taken against the risks of cancellation. Athletes must cover their own insurance for accident.

#### 3.6. Medical and Anti-Doping

- a. The Organiser shall provide:
  - Adequate Medical and Emergency Services on site, including emergency assistance and ambulance service, and minor stitching.
  - Physiotherapy facilities at the stadium and at the Athletes' hotel.
- b. The Organiser shall organise and cover the costs of doping controls and analyses as follows:
  - A minimum of four (4) doping control tests must be conducted, of which two (2) must be EPO tests.
  - Samples shall be collected in strict accordance with World Athletics Anti-Doping Rules (and appendices) using qualified doping control personnel.
  - Samples shall be shipped to and analysed by a WADA-accredited laboratory.
  - Additional tests may also be conducted where:
    - World Athletics decides to conduct pre-competition blood testing at its own expense. The Organiser shall assist the Athletics Integrity Unit should pre-competition blood tests take place at the Organiser's event (chaperones, hotel room for sample collection etc.); and/or
    - an Athlete breaks or equals a World Record (if more than one Athlete breaks or equals the record in the same event, then all Athletes concerned must be tested); and/or
    - any Athlete who has broken an Area or National Record requests it; and/or

- the Athletics Integrity Unit requests it.

The latest World Athletics Anti-Doping Rules are available to download from: <https://www.worldathletics.org/about-iaaf/documents/book-of-rules> (see Book D - Chapter 3.1).

### 3.7. Media

The services to be provided to the press and photographers should comply with World Athletics Media Guidelines. The following minimum requirements must be met:

- Tribune - Dedicated seats
- Equipment - High-speed internet access
- Results - Individual & Public access to live results
- Internet / Web - Organisers are required to provide information to feed World Athletics Combined Events Tour website, whilst having possibility to maintain their own dedicated website.
- Press releases - 1 minimum per month in the first 3 months prior to the Meeting and 2 in the last month.
- Digital Media: 2 updates minimum per month in the three months leading up to the Meeting and 4 updates minimum in the last month.
- Photographers - High speed and large capacity internet access via WIFI for the purpose of quick upload and sending of digital photographs from the stadium Media working area.
- Press conferences - 1 minimum
- Media Stand - 2 places for World Athletics representatives (including 2 ADSL high-speed internet connections)

### 3.8. Television / Live Streaming

- a. Where the possibility of Live Television broadcast exists, Television production and services to broadcasters shall comply with the Television Production and Graphic Branding Guidelines.
- b. Live streaming is compulsory.

### 3.9. Logistics

The Meeting headquarters hotel and transport facilities to be provided by the Organiser must comply with the following minimum requirements:

- Hotel rating                      Minimum 4 star (\*\*\*\*)
- Athletes' transportation      to/from hotel, stadium, airport, train station
- Delegates                         Pool cars
- Vaulting Poles                    Transport and storage

## 4. **Entry/Start Lists, Results and World Ranking points**

### 4.1. Entry Lists

Entry lists should be sent to World Athletics (email: [worldathleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org](mailto:worldathleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org)) two days before the Meeting and should include:

- Event

- Athlete's Surname and Name
- Athlete's Country Code
- Athlete's Date / Year of Birth
- Athletes' IF Code (available on the Athletes' Profile Page <https://www.worldathletics.org/athletes>).

#### 4.2. Start Lists

Start Lists by event should be sent the evening before the Meeting, following the Technical Meeting (if applicable) and should include the event, Bib number, Athlete's Surname and Name, heat/group and lane or starting order (where relevant)

#### 4.3. Results

The results should ideally be posted live on the event website and sent live after each event to World Athletics (email: [worldathleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org](mailto:worldathleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org)), but at minimum no later than 60 minutes after the end of the Meeting. The Organiser must also ensure that World Athletics is informed of any correction to the Results.

#### 4.4. World Ranking Points

Category "A" World Ranking points will be awarded.

#### 4.5. Technical Meeting

The Organiser is recommended to stage a Technical Meeting or similar communication with all participants on the eve of the competition.

### 5. **World Combined Events Tour Overall Prize Money**

5.1. World Athletics will offer Overall Prize Money (\$101,000 for the men and for the women) to the best 8 men in the Decathlon and 8 women in the Heptathlon as per the following structure:

1st place:	\$ 30,000
2nd place:	\$ 20,000
3rd place:	\$ 15,000
4th place:	\$ 10,000
5th place:	\$ 8,000
6th place:	\$ 7,000
7th place:	\$ 6,000
8th place:	\$ 5,000

5.2. For the purpose of awarding the overall prize money, the athletes will be ranked according to their best three scores achieved in the period 1 October 2023 – 30 September 2024 which must come from the following Combined Events competitions:

- at least two scores must come from competitions part of the World Combined Events Tour
- a maximum of one score can come from the Heptathlon and Decathlon events organised as part of major competitions on the International Calendar (these will be pre-identified on the World Athletics Calendar)

5.3. In case of a tie, the athlete having the highest score will be ranked first.

- 5.4. Scores achieved with wind assisted performances shall count towards the ranking.
- 5.5. Any athlete who is found to have infringed the Rules and Regulations will not receive any award, or, if already paid, repay the award by the date notified by the Chief Executive Officer (or their nominee). If the award is not repaid by the notified date then the athlete will be suspended until such time as repayment occurs unless in the sole opinion of the Chief Executive Officer (or their nominee) there are exceptional circumstances that deserves a waiver or partial waiver of the requirement to repay the award. In this case, the prize money shall be paid to the next ranked athlete.

## **PART II - SILVER LEVEL STATUS REQUIREMENTS**

### **1. Applications**

1.1. Formal Applications for a World Athletics Combined Events Tour – Silver Level shall be submitted as follows:

1.1.1. On the Application Form;

1.1.2. Signed by both the Organiser and the host National Federation and submitted to the relevant Area, with a copy to World Athletics; and

1.1.3. By the deadline set by the Area.

### **2. Evaluation and Reporting**

2.1. All World Athletics Combined Events Tour Silver Level Meetings will be nominated through the Areas only, and will undergo an annual evaluation on all aspects of their organisation:

- level of the Athletes competing;
- Prize money;
- respect of these Regulations;
- respect of all other Rules and Regulations and the Television Production and Graphic Branding Guidelines;
- respect of the financial commitments towards the Athletes;
- conduct of anti-doping measures;
- technical conduct of the competition;
- services provided to the Athletes;
- event presentation;
- media services.

2.2. The status can be reviewed according to procedures agreed by the Area and World Athletics.

2.3. A Technical Delegate (TD) will be appointed by the Area Association for each Silver level Combined Events Tour Meeting. Provided they are suitably qualified, the TD can be from any Country or Territory including the Country or Territory where the Meeting is located.

2.3.1. The role of the TD is to ensure the Meeting is run in accordance with World Athletics Rules and Regulations including these Regulations.

2.3.2. Costs of travel and accommodation for the TD to be borne by the Meeting. The TD will be appointed with low cost of travel in mind.

2.3.3. Following each Meeting the designated TD will be required to complete a Report Form concerning the staging of the Meeting to be returned to the relevant Area with copy to World Athletics no later than 10 days after the Meeting.

2.3.4. A copy of the TD's Report will also be given to the Organiser.

### **3. Minimum Requirements for Application**

3.1. Minimum standards of organisation

The observation and respect of the applicable Rules and Regulations shall always be one of the minimum requirements. Should a Meeting not satisfy the minimum requirements, the Area Association and World Athletics retain the right not to deliver a Permit, to downgrade a Meeting and / or take further action under its Rules and Regulations.

### 3.2. Stadium and Technical Aspects

Min. Spectator Capacity            2000

Min. Lanes                                6 lanes

All track and field facilities and competition equipment must conform to the Rules and Regulations as amended from time to time. Further to this general requirement:

Athletics Facility Certification    Class 1 is preferred but must be at least Class 2

Equipment                                World Athletics Certified

Implements                                Certified (all personal and those provided by the Organiser)

Timing                                        Fully automatic timing obtained from a Photo Finish System

Measurement                               EDM

Display                                        1 infield timing board. 1 infield scoring board per field event.

Data processing                            TV compatible

Video Screen                                At Organisers' discretion

Electronic False Start                    Preferred

Electronic Wind Gauge                   Preferred

Warm-up Area                                Adequate for all disciplines

### 3.3. Athlete Participation

- a. A minimum of 12 men and 12 women should take part.
- b. A minimum of 6 men and 6 women ranked in the Top 100 of the previous year's, or subsequent, Combined Events World Rankings from 4 different countries should take part.
- c. A minimum of 50% athletes competing should be from the host Area Association.
- d. A minimum of 10% athletes competing should be from outside the host Area Association.
- e. A maximum of seven (7) athletes from any one country (other than the host country) may compete in any event.
- f. Athletes requesting entry into a Meeting shall receive priority based on their position in the World Rankings. The request must be received by the Organiser at least one month prior the date of the meeting.
- g. For any Athlete (including a 'Ranked Athlete' as defined in the Athletes' Representatives Rules) Organisers must self-report to World Athletics who (full name and contact details) the Organiser has negotiated the Athlete's appearance at the Meeting with.

### 3.4. Prize Money at the World Athletics Combined Events Tour Silver Level Meetings

- a. A minimum total prize money purse of 10,000 USD must be offered for the meeting, to be distributed evenly between men and women. It must be published on the meeting website at least one (1) month in advance of the competition.
- b. The following shall be at the Organiser's discretion:
  - Bonuses for breaking a World Record.
- c. Prize Money shall be paid within 60 days of receipt of the doping control clearance from the Athletics Integrity Unit and of the complete invoices, which must comply with the communicated legal, fiscal and procedural requirements of the Organiser.
- d. Payment of travel reimbursements will be made at the Meeting or within 2 weeks after the Meeting, provided the necessary paperwork has been given to the Organiser.
- e. Upon request from World Athletics, an Organiser has the obligation to provide within two weeks, proof of the payments made to the Athletes.

### 3.5. Insurance

Organisers must sign a liability insurance policy, in favour of the Athletes, officials and spectators, to cover risks for which they may be liable. Another insurance policy should be taken against the risks of cancellation. Athletes must cover their own insurance for accident.

### 3.6. Medical and Anti-Doping

- a. The Organiser shall provide:
  - Adequate Medical and Emergency Services on site, including emergency assistance and ambulance service, and minor stitching.
  - Physiotherapy facilities at the stadium and at the Athletes' hotel.
- b. The Organiser shall organise and cover the costs of doping controls and analyses as follows:
  - A minimum of four (4) doping control tests must be conducted, of which two (2) must be EPO tests.
  - Samples shall be collected in strict accordance with World Athletics Anti-Doping Rules (and appendices) using qualified doping control personnel.
  - Samples shall be shipped to and analysed by a WADA-accredited laboratory.
  - Additional tests may also be conducted where:
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    - an Athlete breaks or equals a World Record (if more than one Athlete breaks or equals the record in the same event, then all Athletes concerned must be tested); and/or

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### 3.7. Media

The services to be provided to the press and photographers should comply with World Athletics Media Guidelines. The following minimum requirements must be met:

- Tribune - Dedicated seats
- Equipment - High-speed internet access (recommended)
- Results - Individual & Public access to live results
- Internet / Web - Organisers are required to provide information to feed World Athletics Combined Events Tour website, whilst having possibility to maintain their own dedicated website.
- Press releases - 1 minimum per month in the first 3 months prior to the Meeting and 2 in the last month.
- Photographers - High speed and large capacity internet access via WIFI for the purpose of quick upload and sending of digital photographs from the stadium Media working area.
- Press conferences - 1 minimum
- Media Stand - 1 place for World Athletics representatives (including 2 ADSL high-speed internet connections)

### 3.8. Live Streaming

Live streaming is expected.

### 3.9. Logistics

The Meeting headquarters hotel and transport facilities to be provided by the Organiser must comply with the following minimum requirements:

- Hotel rating                      Minimum 3 star (\*\*\*)
- Athletes' transportation      to/from hotel, stadium, airport, train station
- Delegates                        Pool cars
- Vaulting Poles                  Transport and storage

## 4. **Entry/Start Lists, Results and World Ranking points**

### 4.1. Entry Lists

Entry lists should be sent to World Athletics (email: [worldathleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org](mailto:worldathleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org)) two days before the Meeting and should include:

- Event
- Athlete's Surname and Name
- Athlete's Country Code

- Athlete's Date / Year of Birth
- Athletes' IF Code (available on the Athletes' Profile Page <https://www.worldathletics.org/athletes>).

#### 4.2. Start Lists

Start Lists by event should be sent the evening before the Meeting, following the Technical Meeting (if applicable) and should include the event, Bib number, Athlete's Surname and Name, heat/group and lane or starting order (where relevant)

#### 4.3. Results

The results should ideally be posted live on the event website and sent live after each event to World Athletics (email: [worldathleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org](mailto:worldathleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org)), but at minimum no later than 60 minutes after the end of the Meeting. The Organiser must also ensure that World Athletics is informed of any correction to the Results.

#### 4.4. World Ranking Points

Category "B" World Ranking points will be awarded.

#### 4.5. Technical Meeting

The Organiser is recommended to stage a Technical Meeting or similar communication with all participants on the eve of the competition.

### 5. **World Combined Events Tour Overall Prize Money**

- 5.1. World Athletics will offer Overall Prize Money (\$101,000 for the men and for the women) to the best 8 men in the Decathlon and 8 women in the Heptathlon as per the following structure:

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4th place:	\$ 10,000
5th place:	\$ 8,000
6th place:	\$ 7,000
7th place:	\$ 6,000
8th place:	\$ 5,000

- 5.2. For the purpose of awarding the overall prize money, the athletes will be ranked according to their best three scores achieved in the period 1 October 2023 – 30 September 2024 which must come from the following Combined Events competitions:

- at least two scores must come from competitions part of the World Combined Events Tour
- a maximum of one score can come from the Heptathlon and Decathlon events organised as part of major competitions on the International Calendar (these will be pre-identified on the World Athletics Calendar)

- 5.3. In case of a tie, the athlete having the highest score will be ranked first.

- 5.4. Scores achieved with wind assisted performances shall count towards the ranking.

- 5.5. Any athlete who is found to have infringed the Rules and Regulations will not receive any award, or, if already paid, repay the award by the date notified by the Chief

Executive Officer (or their nominee). If the award is not repaid by the notified date then the athlete will be suspended until such time as repayment occurs unless in the sole opinion of the Chief Executive Officer (or their nominee) there are exceptional circumstances that deserves a waiver or partial waiver of the requirement to repay the award. In this case, the prize money shall be paid to the next ranked athlete.

## **PART III - BRONZE LEVEL STATUS REQUIREMENTS**

### **1. Applications**

1.1. Formal Applications for a World Athletics Combined Events Tour – Bronze Level shall be submitted as follows:

1.1.1. On the appropriate Application Form;

1.1.2. Signed by both the Organiser and the host National Federation and submitted to the relevant Area, with a copy to World Athletics; and

1.1.3. By the deadline set by the Area.

### **2. Evaluation and Reporting**

2.1. All World Athletics Combined Events Tour – Bronze Level Meetings will be nominated through the Areas only, and will undergo an annual evaluation on all aspects of their organisation:

- level of the Athletes competing;
- Prize money;
- respect of these Regulations;
- respect of all other Rules and Regulations and the Television Production and Graphic Branding Guidelines;
- respect of the financial commitments towards the Athletes;
- conduct of anti-doping measures;
- technical conduct of the competition;
- services provided to the Athletes;
- event presentation;
- media services.

2.2. The status can be reviewed according to procedures agreed by the Area and World Athletics.

2.3. A Technical Delegate (TD) will be appointed by the Area Association for each Bronze level Combined Events Tour Meeting. Provided they are suitably qualified, the TD can be from any Country or Territory including the Country or Territory where the Meeting is located.

2.3.1. The role of the TD is to ensure the Meeting is run in accordance with World Athletics Rules and Regulations including these Regulations.

2.3.2. Costs of travel and accommodation for the TD to be borne by the Meeting. The TD will be appointed with low cost of travel in mind.

2.3.3. Following each Meeting the designated TD will be required to complete a Report Form concerning the staging of the Meeting to be returned to the relevant Area with copy to World Athletics no later than 10 days after the Meeting.

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### 3. **Minimum Requirements for Application**

#### 3.1. Minimum standards of organisation

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#### 3.2. Stadium and Technical Aspects

Min. Spectator Capacity      1000

Min. Lanes                      6 lanes

All track and field facilities and competition equipment must conform to the Rules and Regulations as amended from time to time. Further to this general requirement:

Athletics Facility Certification      The facility must conform to the Rules and Regulations as amended from time and, preferably, hold a Class 1 or Class 2 World Athletics Facility Certificate.

Equipment                      World Athletics Certified

Implements  
(Organiser)                      Certified (all personal and those provided by the

Timing                              Fully automatic timing obtained from a Photo Finish System

Measurement                      EDM is preferred

Display                              1 infield timing board.

Data processing                      TV compatible

Video Screen                      At Organisers' discretion

Warm-up Area                      Adequate for all disciplines

#### 3.3. Athlete Participation

- a. A minimum of 8 men and 8 women should take part.
- b. A minimum of 3 men and 3 women ranked in the Top 100 of the previous year's, or subsequent, Combined Events World Rankings from 3 different countries should take part.
- c. A minimum of 50% athletes competing should be from the host Area Association.
- d. A maximum of seven (7) athletes from any one country (other than the host country) may compete in any event.
- e. Athletes requesting entry into a Meeting shall receive priority based on their position in the World Rankings. The request must be received by the Organiser at least one month prior the date of the meeting.
- f. For any Athlete (including a 'Ranked Athlete' as defined in the Athletes' Representatives Rules) Organisers must self-report to World Athletics who (full name and contact details) the Organiser has negotiated the Athlete's appearance at the Meeting with.

#### 3.4. Prize Money at the World Athletics Combined Events Tour Bronze Level Meetings

- a. A minimum total prize money purse of 5,000 USD must be offered for the meeting, to be distributed evenly between men and women. It must be published on the meeting website at least one (1) month in advance of the competition.
- b. The following shall be at the Organiser's discretion:
  - Bonuses for breaking a World Record.
- c. Prize Money shall be paid within 60 days of receipt of the doping control clearance from the Athletics Integrity Unit and of the complete invoices, which must comply with the communicated legal, fiscal and procedural requirements of the Organiser.
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### 3.7. Media

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- Press releases - 1 minimum per month in the first 3 months prior to the Meeting and 2 in the last month.

### 3.8. Live Streaming

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### 3.9. Logistics

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- Hotel rating                      Minimum 3 star (\*\*\*)
- Athletes' transportation      to/from hotel, stadium, airport, train station
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The results should ideally be posted live on the event website and sent live after each event to World Athletics (email: [worldathleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org](mailto:worldathleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org)), but

at minimum no later than 60 minutes after the end of the Meeting. The Organiser must also ensure that World Athletics is informed of any correction to the Results.

4.4. World Ranking Points

Category “C” World Ranking points will be awarded.

4.5. Technical Meeting

The Organiser is recommended to stage a Technical Meeting or similar communication with all participants on the eve of the competition.

**5. World Combined Events Tour Overall Prize Money**

5.1. World Athletics will offer Overall Prize Money (\$101,000 for the men and for the women) to the best 8 men in the Decathlon and 8 women in the Heptathlon as per the following structure:

1st place:	\$ 30,000
2nd place:	\$ 20,000
3rd place:	\$ 15,000
4th place:	\$ 10,000
5th place:	\$ 8,000
6th place:	\$ 7,000
7th place:	\$ 6,000
8th place:	\$ 5,000

5.2. For the purpose of awarding the overall prize money, the athletes will be ranked according to their best three scores achieved in the period 1 October 2023 – 30 September 2024 which must come from the following Combined Events competitions:

- at least two scores must come from competitions part of the World Combined Events Tour;
- a maximum of one score can come from the Heptathlon and Decathlon events organised as part of major competitions on the International Calendar (these will be pre-identified on the World Athletics Calendar).

5.3. In case of a tie, the athlete having the highest score will be ranked first.

5.4. Scores achieved with wind assisted performances shall count towards the ranking.

5.5. Any athlete who is found to have infringed the Rules and Regulations will not receive any award, or, if already paid, repay the award by the date notified by the Chief Executive Officer (or their nominee). If the award is not repaid by the notified date then the athlete will be suspended until such time as repayment occurs unless in the sole opinion of the Chief Executive Officer (or their nominee) there are exceptional circumstances that deserves a waiver or partial waiver of the requirement to repay the award. In this case, the prize money shall be paid to the next ranked athlete.

## **PART IV – SUSTAINABLE EVENT STANDARD (GOLD, SILVER AND BRONZE – ALL COMBINED EVENTS TOUR MEETINGS)**

1. Organisers must meet and report in accordance with the Sustainable Event Standard set out in the following link <https://worldathletics.org/athletics-better-world/sustainability/athletics-for-a-better-world-standard>

## **PART V - BREACHES AND SANCTIONS**

- 1.1. In the event of an allegation of breach of any of these Regulations or World Athletics' Rules or Regulations generally, the alleged breach will be investigated and, if applicable and subject to Regulation 1.2 below, sanctioned in accordance with the Disputes and Disciplinary Proceedings Rules.
- 1.2. If the Disciplinary Officer finds there has been a breach of these Regulations or other relevant World Athletics Rule or Regulation, **in addition** to the sanctions set out in the Disputes and Disciplinary Rules, they may impose any one or more of the following sanctions:
  - 1.2.1. withdrawal of the Organisers' current Permit;
  - 1.2.2. downgrade the Organiser's Permit;
  - 1.2.3. not accept the results from the Organiser's meeting as being 'official' and invalidate the results in the World Athletics statistics or results;
  - 1.2.4. place conditions on future applications from the Organiser for a World Athletics Permit;
  - 1.2.5. prohibit the Organiser from applying for a meeting Permit for a period as may be appropriate in the circumstances.
- 1.3. Where the Disciplinary Officer makes a finding against an Organiser:
  - 1.3.1. World Athletics (or its delegate(s)) may publish the decision and/or the sanction as World Athletics (or its delegate(s)) considers appropriate.
  - 1.3.2. a copy of the findings will be provided to the Member Federation where the Organiser's meeting is or would normally have been held.