

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION CHANGES

PROPOSAL C1 -

7.3.7 Credentials

The following are required:

- 7.3.7.1 The names of all delegates to the General Assembly. Member Federations may designate a maximum of two delegates, preferably the President and the Secretary General. Delegates other than the President and Secretary General must be a member of their national federation and **if requested** must present a written authority of their national federation not later than the opening of the annual or special meeting.

PROPOSAL C2 -

9.1 Election

Elections for all officers will be held every four years (**each Pacific Games**). The elections are to take place at the **final** ORPF Annual General Assembly in Pacific Games years. ~~prior to IPF elections.~~

REASON - The true mandate of our Executive is for facilitation of the Pacific Games, and holding elections at any time other than the Pacific Games could result in many problems regarding preparation. Also it is when the most nations are present to vote in new elections.

PROPOSAL C3 -

9.2 Term of Office

- 9.2.1 The term of office for all officers of the ORPF shall be until the **following Pacific Games final ORPF Annual General Assembly prior to IPF elections** (each four years) and the mandate of all officers, even those who were elected between electoral General Assemblies, shall expire at the electoral General Assembly. All officers shall be eligible for re-election.
- 9.2.2 New ORPF Officials elected by the General Assembly (GA) enter their office the day after the completion of the **Pacific Games championships** that follows the GA.
- ~~9.2.3 The initial Interim positions shall be held until the final ORPF Annual General Assembly prior to IPF elections(2019).~~

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PROPOSAL C4 -

13.2 Failure to Pay Annual Subscription Fee

A national federation, which has not paid its annual subscription by the 30th of June, despite having received a reminder letter, shall be suspended from membership of the ORPF **until paid**.

PROPOSAL C5 -

14 DOPING CONTROL, MAIN PROCEDURES

14.1 General

- 14.1.1 The ORPF **with the IPF has the right to shall** conduct doping testing in all ORPF competitions **as per IPF Anti-doping procedures**. Testing conducted by the ORPF shall be in substantial conformity with the WADA *International Standard for Testing and Investigations* and the *IPF Anti-Doping Rules* in force at the time of testing.

REASON - It is the IPF(not ORPF) who chooses who, when, and where Anti-doping tests are carried out.

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES

PROPOSAL B1 -

101.3 Constitutional General Assembly Schedule

The General Assembly shall, if necessary, address itself to re-examining in full the Constitution, By-Laws and their appendices every **Pacific Games year (fourth year) commencing in 2019**. However, amendments may be considered **and implemented** annually.

PROPOSAL B2 -

101.9.1 Records Registrar

101.9.1.1 Shall certify all Oceania records and maintain an up to date register of all records in all categories. **Oceania records will be complied by results at IPF sanctioned International competitions. Lifters who return a positive doping test will have all records removed from their name.**

~~Oceania records can only be confirmed if IPF doping testing competition requirements according to IPF Anti-Doping Rules have been complied with. Pending the confirmation of a negative doping test by the analysing laboratory records shall be shown on the register as being "pending" for a period of not more than three months from the date of the performance. If the record is not confirmed within this period it shall be erased from the register.~~

PROPOSAL B3 -

101.9.2 Championship Secretary

101.9.2.2 Shall distribute to affiliate federations the invitation and details of major events at least six months prior to the event. He shall also distribute team nomination forms and other necessary documents to affiliated federations.

The invitation will be based upon the answers to a standard questionnaire sent to the host national federation and/or promoters of the championship when a bid is accepted. Closing date for an **organiser organizer** of ORPF Championships to provide all details in the invitation is 6 to 8 months prior to the contest date. If special hotel and transport booking forms are required, a draft copy of these forms shall also be sent to the Championship Secretary in order that they may be distributed with the invitation.

Nomination must be made as per current IPF requirements. Nominations ~~forms~~ for ORPF championships must **include** ~~provide columns for~~ the following information:

PROPOSAL B4 -

103.9 ~~Lapel Pins~~ Merchandise

~~A lapel pin~~ **Merchandise** portraying the official ORPF emblem ~~may shall~~ be **developed** ~~obtained~~ for sale to all members. ~~In addition, t~~ The Treasurer will **be responsible for** ~~obtain~~ **maintaining** a stock of items for sale to members and as a means of raising funds **for the ORPF**.

PROPOSAL B5 -

103.10 Delinquent National Affiliate Fees

Delinquent Nations: National federations more than two years in arrears with their annual subscription shall be ~~suspended~~ **presented at the General Assembly for exclusion** from membership of the ORPF **(to be voted on)**.

PROPOSAL B6 -

104.2 Oceania Record Certificates

The ORPF shall provide an ~~honour~~ **printable** certificate free of charge to all lifters who establish **new bona fide** ORPF records. **The record certificates are available via the ORPF website.**

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PROPOSAL B7 -

104.3 Best Lifter Award

At all ORPF competitions, a "Best Lifter" award shall be given to the lifter who produces the best performance based upon the appropriate formula. Awards ~~shall~~ **may also** be given ~~also~~ to the lifters placed second and third based on the appropriate formula.

PROPOSAL B8 -

104.4 ORPF Medals

104.4.3 A lifter returning a positive Doping test result at an ORPF competition must return all his/her medals from that competition. If not returned by his/her federation within 1 month after receiving such claim, the national federation must pay a fine of AUD ~~\$150~~ **\$250**.

PROPOSAL B9 -

104.5 ORPF Competition Participation Certificates

ORPF competition participation certificates shall be awarded to each lifter and official (team manager, coach). ~~according to ORPF regulations~~. They shall also be awarded to approved ORPF officials and referees.

The ORPF will make the certificates available via the ORPF website following each competition.

PROPOSAL B10 -

104.11 Recognition of Oceania Records

~~104.11.1 Oceania records will only be accepted from international competitions where doping testing is carried out according to the IPF Anti-Doping Rules 5.1 and lifter has not returned a positive doping test. This must be done strictly in accordance with the IPF Anti-Doping Rules including the analysis of samples in a laboratory accredited at the time of analysis by WADA. Oceania records broken at World Championships may be accepted without doping test. Ref. IPF Anti-Doping Rules 5.1.1.2.~~

Oceania records will only be accepted from IPF & ORPF sanctioned International competitions carried out in accordance with IPF Anti-doping rules.

PROPOSAL B11 -

104.12 Oceania Powerlifters of the Year

The Executive appoints at the end of each year one female and one male Oceania lifter ~~in both categories "Equipped" and "Classic"~~ as Oceania Powerlifter of the Year.

104.12.1 The appointment is based on the appropriate formula. Lifters with the highest scores calculated from ~~the total at both~~ the Oceania Regional Powerlifting Championships ~~and or~~ any other IPF sanctioned contests in one calendar year are selected. (Lifters who did not take part in the Oceania Regional Powerlifting Championships will not be eligible for the award)

PROPOSAL B12 -

105.2 National Flags

~~Each participating nation at an ORPF competition must provide if requested, a national flag approximately 1.5 m x 1.0 m in size. Any nation failing to meet this obligation will be fined the sum of AUD \$50 in order to reimburse the promoter for any loss and inconvenience suffered. It is the responsibility of the promoter to issue a receipt on acceptance of the flag and request the return of this receipt on returning the flag to the team manager. If for any reason whatsoever, the promoter fails to return a nation's flag, he shall be required to reimburse that nation for the loss suffered.~~

The ORPF shall maintain a collection of **all** member nations flags for **use display** at **all** ORPF events ~~as required~~.

New ORPF member nations will be invoiced a once-off flag fee of \$200AUD.

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PROPOSAL B13 -

105.4 Invitation and Accommodation

- 105.4.1 The official invitation and details of ORPF competitions **ordinarily** must be received by member nations at least six months prior to the event. Details shall include the date of the Technical Meeting, competition date, names and addresses of recommended hotels and the rates to be charged.
- 105.4.2 Accommodation rates **listed charged** by the promoter must not exceed the normal **rack** rate charged by the establishment providing the accommodation. Any overcharge without providing a higher accommodating quality may bring the case to the IPF DC to decide about any sanction. ~~Possible sanctions are fines up to the level of the profit from the overpricing and/or exclusion from organizing ORPF competitions for the following 3 years.~~
- 105.4.3 At all ORPF competitions the accommodation **fees shall options listed must** be payable by bank transfer or credit card as follows:
 - 1) by bank transfer latest 14 days before the competition ~~as specified by the organiser in the invitation for each event;~~
 - 2) by credit card;
 - 3) **by direct payment on website.** ~~by cash payment at the Organiser's risk if this option is specified in the championship invitation.~~

PROPOSAL B14 -

105.5 Nomination

105.5.2 A national federation taking part in any ORPF competition shall pay the ORPF doping test fee and the participation fee for each lifter nominated and entered on the preliminary entry form. No such fees are to be paid for nominated reserve lifters if not replacing any of the nominated lifters. ~~If a hotel reservation fee is specified in the invitation for the competition, same rule and time limits as above apply for nominated lifters and officials.~~

PROPOSAL B15 -

105.6 Representation at the Technical Meeting & Closing Banquet

105.6.1 All participating nations in ORPF competitions **must should** be represented at the Technical Meeting. If a representative of a participating nation is not present at the Technical Meeting prior to the ORPF competition or has not informed the ORPF Championship Secretary about his/her absence by confirming the participation of his/her federation's nominated lifters (by e-mail or phone) a fine of AUD \$250 may be imposed to the concerned national federation.

105.6.2 All participating nations in ORPF competitions must be represented at the Closing Banquet. If a representative of a participating nation is not present at the Closing Banquet that nation will be ineligible to receive any Best Lifter or Team awards.

PROPOSAL B16 -

105.7 Recommended official hotel(s)

For all ORPF competitions the Competition Promoter must nominate one or more recommended official hotels. Although it is recommended and encouraged, there is no obligatory requirement for athletes, coaches, referees or officials from each federation to stay in the official hotel for all days in attendance of the competition, however if athletes, coaches, referees or officials do not stay in the official hotel during the championship, the participating nation is obliged to inform the Competition Promoter of their alternative circumstances.

All room bookings must be **made as done through the Competition Promoter, unless otherwise** specified on the invitation.

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PROPOSAL B17 -

105.12 Competitions

105.12.3 All members of national teams taking part in ORPF competitions must **meet the eligibility requirements as listed in the IPF By-Laws.** ~~be in possession of a valid passport of the country they are to represent. Failing this, proof of a two-year period of residence in that country will be accepted.~~

PROPOSAL B18 -

105.13 Including a Referee in National Teams, Fine, Restriction

Any nation, being a member of IPF more than 5 years, participating with more than 3 lifters in an ORPF competition, as nominated at the final entry form must include at least one international referee among its team officials available for refereeing or being a member of the jury at least two days. The host federation can nominate six referees. If a referee from that nation is not present or, if present, is not available to act in the capacity of either referee or member for jury at least two days during the competition, the lifters are allowed to take part, but a fine of AUD ~~\$1000~~ **\$250** must be paid by the nation (If the member nation has no current international category referees listed by the IPF the fine shall not apply.). The ORPF treasurer must receive such payment before lifters from that nation are allowed to take part in the ORPF competition. This payment shall be allocated to the Sport Development fund to further fund Referee development programs.

PROPOSAL B19 -

105.14 Sanction of International level Competitions in the IPF Oceania Region

International level competitions in the IPF Oceania Region shall be sanctioned by the ORPF only. This applies to any competition between two or more nations, which is not open to all nations within the IPF. ~~Oceania Region.~~