

IAAF RULE CHANGES

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MANY RULES CHANGES ARE OF LITTLE SIGNIFICANCE FOR NZL

- Rule 100. Allows event to be conducted differently to IAAF Rules
- Rule 112. Technical Delegate. Clarifies role
- Rule 113. Medical Delegate. Defines role further
- Rule 120. Officials of Competition. Further defines
- Rule 125. Referees. Further clarification
- Rule 145. Disqualification. Wording + clarification of Relays. YC or RC to relay team member only valid for relay event. Not personal.



- Rule 129. Starters role defined further.
 - whose primary responsibility is to ensure a fair and equitable start for all competitors
- Rule 162. The start.
 - Moves notes into rule
- Rule 135. Measurement Judge. (Scientific)
 - Remove need for check at end of competition. (If any doubt that accuracy has been lost, check should be carried out.)



- Rule 141. Age.
 - Boys U18, now Men U18
 - Girls U18 now Women U18
- Rule 143. Clothing
 - Removal of requirement for front and back of vest to be same colour
 - Dimension of spikes. Change for Cross Country



- Rule 144. Assistance to athletes.
- (g) Receiving physical support from an official or other person designated by the organisers to recover to a standing position or to access medical assistance.
- (h) Electronic lights or similar appliance indicating progressive times during a race, including of a relevant record.



- Rule 146.4. Protests and appeals
- (d) when a protest is made by or on behalf of an athlete or team which did not finish a race, the Referee must first ascertain whether the athlete or team was or should have been disqualified for a breach of the Rules unrelated to the matter raised in the protest. Should that be the case the protest shall be dismissed.
- In Field Events, where, as a result of an athlete competing "under protest", another athlete is allowed to continue in the competition when he would otherwise not have done so, such athlete's performances and eventual results will remain valid irrespective of whether the "under protest" athlete's immediate oral protest is successful.



- Rule 147. Mixed Competition
- Reworded to try to clarify situation
- Rule 163. The Race
- 6 Clarifies leaving the track to recover Relay Baton
- 14 Clarifies calling of times
- 15 Clarifies carrying water
- Rule 165. Photo Finish Reworded to try to clarify



- Rule 166. Seedings, Draws and Qualification in Track Events
 - Aim to reduce number qualifying by time
- Rule 168. Hurdles
 - (b) he knocks down or displaces any hurdle by hand, body or the upper side of the lead leg; or
 - (c) he directly or indirectly knocks down or displaces a hurdle in his or in another lane in such a manner that there is effect or obstruction upon any other athlete(s) in the race and/or another rule is also infringed.
- Rule 169 Steeplechase Race
 - 5. The hurdles shall be 0.914m ± 0.003m high for Senior and U20 men's events, 0.838m ± 0.003m high for U18 men's events and 0.762m ± 0.003m for women's events



- Rule 181. General Conditions Vertical Jumps
 - Added. . A re-measurement should be made if the bar has been substituted.
- RULE 185. (IAAF effective from 1 October 2020) Long Jump (NZL can use now)
- An athlete fails if:
- (a) he while taking off, **breaks the vertical plane of** the take-off line with any part of his **foot/shoe**, whether running up without jumping or in the act of jumping;
- Rule 184.
 - 3. Note: Where in the construction of the runway and/or take-off board there was previously provision for the placement of a plasticine indicator board and such board is not used, this recess should be filled by a blanking board flush with the take-off board.
 - 5. The use of video or other technology, to assist the Judges in deciding the application of Rule 185.1, is strongly recommended at all levels of competition. However, if no technology is available, a plasticine indicator board may still be used.





- Rule 187. General Conditions Throwing Events
 - Unless the Technical Manager decides otherwise, not more than two
 implements may be submitted by any athlete for any throwing event
 in which he is competing.
- RULE 190. Discus Cage
 - Note (ii): The hammer cage movable panels may be used when the cage is being used for discus throw to limit the danger zones.