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Gender Verification					
Chapter 3.2.5.1	13	Amend and add	At IPC Competitions (see Chapter 1.1), events for male and female athletes are not permitted to be mixed (i.e., contested concurrently) in any event.	For all competitions held completely in the stadium, mixed events between male and female participants shall not normally be permitted. However, mixed stadium competition in Field Events and in races of 5000m or longer may be permitted in all competition except held under Chapter 1.1(a) to(c). Note(i): Where Mixed Competitions are conducted in Field Events, separate result cards should be used and results declared for each sex. Note(ii): Mixed Competitions in Track Events as permitted under this Regulation shall only be conducted where there are insufficient athletes of one of both sexes competition to justify the conduct of separate races. Note(iii): Mixed Competition in Track Events shall not, in any case be conducted so as to allow athletes of one sex to be paced/drafted or assisted by athletes of another sex.	For better interpretation of the Rules because regarding Track Events, the intention of this is only to cover situations where there were insufficient athletes of one gender to justify a race and not to assist women to be "paced" or "drafted" to better performance levels or qualification. <i>In force as from 1 August 2014</i> Aligned with IAAF wording and amendments
World and Regional Records					
Chapter 5.3.a	20	Remove	a.For individual events, at least three athletes and for relay events, at least two teams must be bona fide competitors in the event;	a.For individual events, at least three athletes and for relay events, at least two teams must be bona fide competitors in the event;	<i>In force as from 1 August 2014</i>
Chapter 5.16	23	Add Note(d)		Except for Field Events conducted as provided in Chapter 3.2.5.1, no performance set by an athlete will be recognised if it has been accomplished during a mixed competition.	Aligned with IAAF and correspond the amendment made in Chapter 3.2.5.1 <i>In force as from 1 August 2014</i>
International Starter and International Photo Finish Judge					
Rule 2.6	29	Amend 2nd Paragraph	At all IPC competitions (see Chapter 1.1) an International Starter and an International Photo Finish Judge shall be appointed by IPC Athletics. The International Starter shall start the races and undertake any other duties assigned to him by the Technical Delegate(s). The International Photo Finish Judge shall supervise all Photo Finish functions.	... The International Photo Finish Judge Shall supervise all Photo Finish Functions and be the Chief Photo Finish Judge .	To ensure the most consistent, accurate and timely delivery of track results at top events. <i>In force as from 1 August 2014</i> Aligned with IAAF amendments

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VERTICAL JUMP -General Conditions					
Rule 25	95	Add		Prosthesis Considerations (Sport Classes T42-44) 11. a) If the prosthesis is lost during the run-up then the athlete can try to adjust it and continue within the allowed time or continue without the prosthesis; b) If in the process of jumping an athlete loses their prosthesis and the prosthesis does not clear the bar along with the athlete it shall be counted as a failure and recorded as such.	If an athlete chooses to take-off with prosthesis on, it is then considered as a part of his human body. <i>In force as from 1 August 2014</i>
Rule 33.8	120	Add		Javelin Minimum weight for admission to competition and acceptance of a Record (inclusive of the cord grip): 400g Information for manufacturers: Range for supply of implement for competition 405gr-425gr Overall length (L0) Min.1.850m Max. 1.950m Distance from tip of metal head to centre of gravity (L1) Min.0.750m Max. 0.800m Distance from tail to centre of gravity(L2) Min.1.050m Max. 1.200m Length of metal head (L3) Min.0.200m Max.0.250m Width of cord grip (L4) Min.0.130m Max.0.140m Diameter of shaft at thickest point(in front of grip -D0) Min.20mm Max.23mm	<i>In force as from 1 August 2014</i>
Rule 34.6	124	Amend	In the Shot Put, a portable circle meeting these specifications is permissible. Surface of Holding Devices (Sport Classes F31-34 and F51-57) a) IPC Athletics Approved Holding Devices must be used to conduct Secured throwing events at IPC Athletics Recognised Competitions (see Chapter 1.1); b) At IPC Competitions (see Chapter 1.1) the interior of the Throwing Circle should be constructed of concrete, asphalt or a similar non-slippery material; c) Where a portable IPC Athletics Approved Holding Devices is being used the surface must provide similar grip to a concrete throwing surface (e.g., coated in gritty paint OR covered in "gritty tape"); d) Movable platforms can be used at the discretion of the Technical Delegate. The platform does not have to be a full circle, but in these circumstances the front arc or semi-circle must be designed to give the same effect of throwing from a circle, diameter 2.135m to 2.5m and not alter the angle of the sector.	In the Shot Put, a portable circle meeting these specifications is permissible. Surface of Holding Tie-down Devices (Sport Classes F31-34 and F51-57) a) IPC Athletics Approved Holding Tie-down Devices must be used to conduct Secured throwing events at IPC Athletics Recognised Competitions (see Chapter 1.1); b) At IPC Competitions (see Chapter 1.1) the interior of the Throwing Circle should be constructed of concrete, asphalt or a similar non-slippery material; c) Where a portable IPC Athletics Approved Holding Tie-down Devices is being used the surface must provide similar grip to a concrete throwing surface (e.g., coated in gritty paint OR covered in "gritty tape"); d) Movable platforms can be used at the discretion of the Technical Delegate. The platform does not have to be a full circle, but in these circumstances the front arc or semi-circle must be designed to give the same effect of throwing from a circle, diameter 2.135m to 2.5m and not alter the angle of the sector.	Remove confusion between holding device and holding bar <i>In force as from 1 August 2014</i>
Rule 35.1.e	125	Add Note(ii)		The holding bar may have layers of tape and/or any other suitable material to provide a better grip. The thickness of the tape or other alternative material must not result in any unfair advantage exceeding athlete's physical prowess.	<i>In force as from 1 August 2014</i>

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Rule 35.1.f	125	Add		f. The corner(s) of, or notches in, the seat surface may be cut to accommodate side and/or back rests or a holding bar into the main throwing frame. The size of these cuts shall not be appreciably more than the space needed to insert the rests or the holding bar in them. The overall shape of the seat shall remain square or rectangular.	Provide extra clarity on the application of the rules <i>In force as from 1 August 2014</i>
Rule 35.6	126	Amend heading	Holding Device/Holding Bar Failure(Sport F31-34, F51-F57)	Holding Tie-down Device/Holding Bar Failure(Sport F31-34, F51-F57) If a holding tie-down device should break or fail during the execution of a throw then the overseeing official should: ...	Holding Bar as part of the Throwing Frame is regarded as personal competition equipment which athletes shall assume full responsibility for its quality and integrity. Unlike the tie-down device normally provided by the LOC, athletes shall not be offered an option to re-take the trial due to failure of the holding bar. <i>In force as from 1 August 2014</i>
Rule 36	127		The athlete must sit so that both legs are in contact with the seat surface from the back of the knee to the back of the buttock(Ischial tuberosity)	The athlete must sit so that both legs are in contact with the seat surface from the back of the knee to the back of the buttock(Ischial tuberosity). For athletes with lower limb above and through knee amputation, the residual length of the leg(s) must be in contact with the seat till the back of the buttock (Ischial tuberosity).	Athletes with above and through knee leg amputation were required to apply for an exception. However, this is practically not needed as the athletes would still compete within the spirit of the rules as long as the the remaining part of the leg till the back of the buttock is in contact with the seat surface. <i>In force as from 1 August 2014</i>
Rule 51.13	149	Amend	During road races athletes in Sports Classes T11-12 are allowed to use a maximum of two (2) Guide-runners. Any interchanges must take place without any hindrance to other athletes, and must take place at either 10km,20km,30km marks.	During road races athletes in Sports Classes T11-12 are allowed to use a maximum of two (2) Guide-runners. Any interchanges must take place without any hindrance to other athletes, and must take place at either 10km,20km,30km marks for marathon races, 10km mark for half-marathon races and 5km mark for 10km races.	Exchange point was not mentioned for half-marathon and 10km race <i>In force as from 1 August 2014</i>