



**TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT  
NOVEMBER 2017**

**Committee Members:**

Bob Tucker (Chair)  
Barclary Frost  
Harry Stansos  
Enrico Toscano  
Randolph Fajardo (Staff)  
Lisa Ferdinand (Board)  
John Stevenson (Board)

**Committee Meetings**

1. February 16, 2017
2. July 13, 2017
3. August 15, 2017
4. September 21, 2017
5. October 19, 2017
6. November 9, 2017

**Attendance at Committee Meetings**

Bob Tucker (Chair)	(Feb 16, Jul 13)
Barclary Frost	(Aug 15, Sept 21, Nov 9)
Harry Stansos	(Aug 15, Sept 21, Nov 9)
Enrico Toscano	(Aug 15, Sept 21, Nov 9)
Randolph Fajardo (Staff)	(Feb 16, Jul 13, Aug 15, Sept 21, Nov 9)
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**Summary**

The committee members from 2016 continued to serve through 2017. A work plan was created for 2017 with the committee spending time reviewing the technical rules of the Policy & Procedure for the Staging of Provincial Championships.

Through the summer the committee brought up concerns to the release of new IAAF rules to be implemented in November of 2017. The committee has also discussed Bantam and Midget aged rules and events that should be considered for the 2018 season. This age group continues to see positive growth and the committee has looked at the events and rules for this category in order to prioritize their development and retention.

Athletics Ontario is continuing to find competitive opportunities for Bantam and Midget athletes. With Long Term Athlete Development in mind, the committee has and will continue to touch base with coaches, athletes and other branches to develop beneficial opportunities for this age group.

## **Specific Duties**

The Technical Committee shall:

- a) Be responsible for developing and amending related policy and procedure documents, as required, and addressing any technical issues as they arise.
- b) Ensure that Athletics Ontario competition rules are revised or amended, from time to time, to reflect the association's needs.
- c) Propose, as appropriate, amendments to IAAF Rules through Athletics Canada.
- d) Establish the annual fixtures list for championships in consultation with the Competition Committee and advise the Board.
- e) Be responsible for the technical aspects of the Bid Application for the hosting of AO Championships.
- f) Ensure that Athletics Ontario meet results and other sanctioned meets are verified and received by AO staff for dissemination and electronically filed with AO.
- g) Ensure that accurate rankings on Athletics Ontario member athletes are up to date.
- h) Ensure that indoor and outdoor Athletics Ontario records are up to date.
- i) ensure that pending record requests meet required criteria (i.e., accurate and complete forms) for summary recommendation to the Board for approval
- j) Work in conjunction with the Competition Committee to, among other things, develop criteria for training/certifying or identifying individuals to act as qualified Technical Delegate at all Athletics Ontario sanctioned meets.
- k) Evaluate, identify, or monitor those activities and areas, which currently (or have the potential to) pose significant risks to the association.
- l) Recommend measures for the board, as required, on associated policies or procedures that will assist in avoiding or controlling association risks.

## **Near-Term Plans**

1. Review split of technical rules and competition execution rules from the Policy & Procedures for the Staging of Provincial Championships. Finalize/recommend restructure of the document to the board for 2019 season.
2. Scoring for unattached athletes. Should they displace athletes that are part of clubs?
3. IAAF rule updates. Continue conversation on rule changes and what rules should or shouldn't be altered for our development age group (Bantam and Midget).
4. Para requirements in the P&P. Specific events, para liaison, host agreement, expectations when hosting para in our championships.
5. Review Cross Country Scoring championship scoring and recommend updates.

## **Formal Motions to the Board**

1. Records Ratification
  - a. Recommend that the Board Accept the both the 2017 Indoor and Outdoor Records (See attached Appendix A - 2017 Ratifiable Records)
2. Policy & Procedure
  - a. Rule 004.1 b: Addition of Indoor Tetrathlon for Bantam Boys and Girls.

- b. Rule 004.1 b: Change the Junior and Senior Men's Indoor Pentathlon to an indoor Heptathlon (Day 1: 60m; Long Jump; Shot Put; High Jump. Day 2: 60mH; Pole Vault; 1000m).
- c. Rule 004.1 c: Addition of the 300m for Bantam Boys and Girls
- d. Rule 004.1 f: Addition of the 300m for Bantam Boys and Girls
- e. Rule 150.2: Change 150.2 to have lanes 3 and 4 as preferred lane. The existing 150.2 rule to be re-numbered as 150.3
  - i. If the indoor championships is held at the Toronto Track and Field Centre (TTFC), the following draw for lanes will be followed for oval events 400m and under. If not at the TTFC, rule 150.3 will be followed.
    1. Lanes 3 and 4 randomly drawn for the top two seeded athletes or teams
    2. Lanes 2 and 5 randomly drawn for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> seeded athletes or teams
    3. Lane 1 to the remaining athlete or team
- f. Appendix 7 – Be changed from Standard Schedule (which currently doesn't exist) to Safety Rules For Throwing Events. (See attached: Appendix B – Safety Rules for Throwing Events)
  - i. Existing Appendix 7 to be changed to Appendix 8

Report submitted November 16, 2017.

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