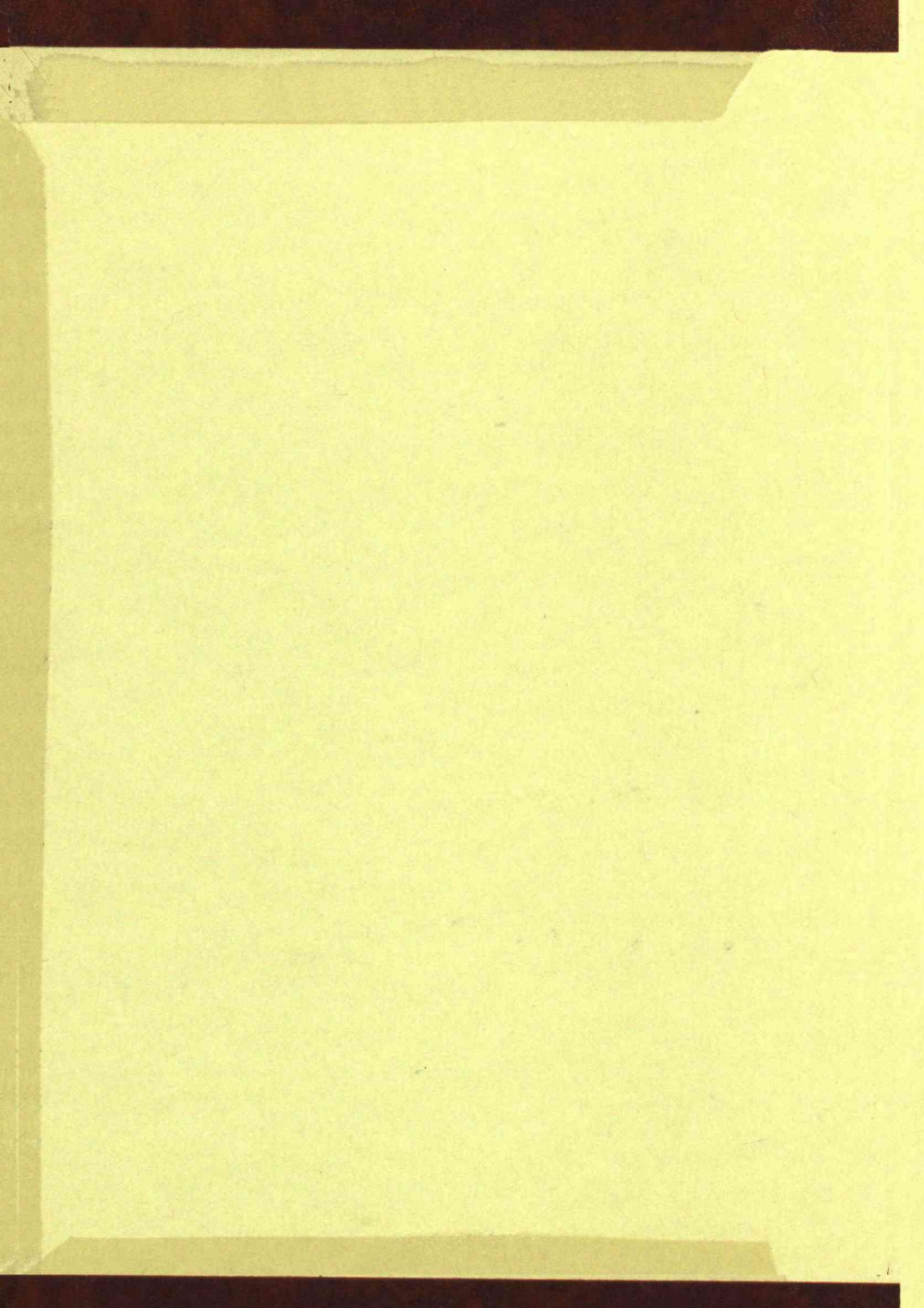


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MODIFICATIONS TO THE

OLYMPIC CHARTER



Modifications to the Olympic Charter

adopted by the 81st Session of the IOC

(to be included in the "*Olympic Charter*", 1979 edition)

Various alterations to the "*Olympic Charter*" were approved by the Session. These changes affect Rules 4, 24, 36, 52 and 58 as well as the bye-laws to Rules 6, 29, 34, 39 and 56.

Pending the publication of a new edition of the "*Olympic Charter*", readers who submit a request will receive an additional copy of these alterations.

Rule 4

Page 5 — The last paragraph to be replaced by the following text :

The NOC and the city chosen shall be jointly and severally responsible for all commitments entered into and shall assume complete financial responsibility for the organisation of the Olympic Games.

Rule 24 A. Principles

Page 13 — To be replaced by the following text :

For the furtherance of the Olympic movement throughout the world, the IOC shall recognise as NOCs entitled to call themselves by that name, committees that are established 'in accordance with the under-mentioned principles, that enforce rules and bye-laws of the IOC, and having, if possible, legal status. ²

D. Composition

Page 13 — To be replaced by the following text :

Whatever form their constitution may take, NOCs must in any event include in their membership :

- the members of the IOC in their country, if any. Such IOC members shall, as of right, also be members of the Executive Committee (inner committee, administrative committee or the executive) and shall have the right to vote on it in both the General Assembly and the Executive Committee (inner committee, administrative committee or the executive).

Page 14 — To be replaced by the following text :

- the national federations affiliated to the IF recognised by the IOC as controlling their sport (with a minimum of five federations, at least three of which must govern a sport included on the Olympic programme) or the representatives they have nominated. These national federations or their representatives as chosen by them must also constitute the voting majority on this NOC and its Executive Board.

Rule 36

Page 19 — The 5th paragraph to be replaced by the following text :

As a condition precedent to participation in the Olympic Games, a competitor must conform with the provisions contained in all Rules of the IOC. He must be duly qualified by the IF that is recognised by the IOC as governing his sport.

Page 19 — The 7th paragraph to be replaced by the following text :

NOCs are reminded that, while the Olympic Games welcome the youth of the world, it is physically impossible to accommodate all the youth of the world and they are asked to use discretion and send to the Games only competitors adequately prepared for high level international competitions.

Rule 49

Page 26 — The following sentence to be added to section "Broadcasting and distribution" :

As from the closing ceremony, the IOC alone may contract for broadcasting and distribution rights.

Rule 52

Page 27 — The last paragraph to be replaced by the following text :

The OCOG shall enter into liquidation six months following the closing ceremony of the Olympic Games and it shall not thereafter carry on business except for the purpose of winding up, a process which shall not exceed twelve months. During this period, it may conclude contracts only in respect of Rule 53. It must settle all outstanding questions and disputes concerning the Olympic Games to the satisfaction of the IOC. As soon as the OCOG shall have been wound up, the NOC shall, without prejudice to Rule 4, take over any rights and obligations entered into by the OCOG.

Rule 58

Page 31 — The 2nd paragraph to be replaced by the following text :

During the Games and for the period of preparation for them and for the two years after they have ended, the OCOG, and then the NOC, are authorised to exploit the official emblems and all badges, posters, objects and documents which it designs, creates, publishes or reproduces for the purpose of the Games. Following the end of this period, such exploitation is the exclusive right of the IOC.

Bye-law to Rule 6

Page 38 — Point 1 to be replaced by the following text :

1. The IOC is the responsible authority for the protection of the Olympic flag, Olympic symbol and Olympic motto which are its exclusive property. It shall take every appropriate step possible to obtain their legal protection on a

national and international basis. It shall also lend its support to efforts the NOCs must make to obtain the protection of the Olympic flag, symbol and motto for the IOC within their country. Even if the national legislation or trade-mark registration grants this protection for the benefit of the NOC, the latter shall not exercise the rights deriving from such protection other than in accordance with the instructions received from the IOC.

Bye-law to Rules 29 and 34

Criteria for recognition of other sports

Page 47 — Point 1 to be replaced by the following text :

1. Any IF applying for the recognition of its sport by the IOC is to comply with the general IOC Rules and bye-laws.

Also accepted was a proposal to separate the criteria for the recognition of other sports from those for Olympic sports and to place them under the heading "Bye-law to Rule 34".

Criteria for Olympic sports, point 4

Criteria for recognition of other sports, point 3

Existing text

"Sports where the quality of the construction of equipment tends to give a special advantage to some athletes not available to others should not be encouraged. Sports depending on mechanical propulsion are not acceptable."

A proposal that the two sentences in this text be separated and made into two distinct articles was accepted.

Bye-law to Rule 39

Page 49 — The 5th paragraph to be modified as follows :

It (the identity card) shall be sent :

1. *to the IOC*
- ...
2. *to the IFs*

Card B — for the Presidents, Secretaries General, technical delegates of the IFs and one accompanying guest of each of them, as well as for members of each IF's Executive Board, with "B" cards in this case limited to the stadium where competitions coming under the jurisdiction of the IF in question take place ; the number of "B" cards to be allotted to these members is to be determined by the IOC and the OCOG in agreement with the IFs (a maximum of 20).

Bye-law to Rule 56

To be inserted on page 58.

Technical arrangements relating to the International Federations at the Olympic Games

1. The IFs have the technical rights and responsibilities :

- a) to make proposals to the IOC concerning their sport to be included in the Olympic Games' programme ;
- b) to make proposals to the IOC concerning the revision and development of their own events' programme, adding or deleting any events ;
- c) to decide the technical rules of their own sport and events (for example : result standards if any ; technical specification of equipment, balls, boats, etc. ; rules of technical movements, exercises or games ; rules of technical disqualification ; rules of judging and timing), and to recommend additional weight categories ;
- d) to decide the system of qualifying preliminaries three years before the Olympic finals ;
- e) to decide the system of grouping and selecting the athletes in qualifying heats or teams in preliminary groups for the Olympic finals ;
- f) to decide the number of men's and women's teams participating in the final tournament of the Olympic Games in accordance with the IOC Rules ;
- g) to establish the final results and ranking in the Olympic competitions ;
- h) to decide the final ranking (upgrading) following disqualification by the IF or the IOC ;
- i) subject to IOC Rule 23, to exercise jurisdiction over the competition and training venues of their sport during the Olympic Games' events and training sessions of their respective sports ;
- j) to decide the number and composition of the jury of appeal of the respective IF ;
- k) to select judges, referees and other technical officials from the host country and from abroad within the total number established by the respective IF and the IOC ;
- l) to select or nominate the technical delegates as stipulated in the IOC Rules ;
- m) subject to IOC Rule 58, to select and recommend the official equipment or installations (for example : balls, mats, apparatus, boats, throwing implements, etc.) and layout of the competition and training sites to be used at the Olympic Games after consultation with the Organising Committee *three* years before the opening of the Olympic Games, provided that these are not defined in the respective IFs' regulations ;
- n) taking IOC Rule 58 into consideration, to check personal equipment (for example : boats, arms, horses, vaulting poles, etc.) to be used during the Olympic Games ;

- o) to enforce the IOC Rules in regard to the eligibility of the participants (players) before the Olympic Games (preliminaries) and during the Olympic Games ;
- p) to prepare and/or revise the "Technical Questionnaires" for the candidates cities ;
- q) to decide upon the production of a 16 mm. sound technical film on Olympic competitions for the use of schools, athletic clubs or other similar organisations in accordance with the IOC Rules.

2. *Technical arrangements to be mutually agreed between the IFs and the Organising Committee and approved by the IOC :*

- a) itinerary of events outside the Olympic sites (e.g. yachting, marathon and walking, road cycle race, equestrian three-day event) ;
- b) requirements in training facilities before or during the Olympic Games ;
- c) technical equipment at the venues which is not defined or listed in the IFs' technical rules ;
- d) technical installations for establishing results ;
- e) co-ordination of visits by the IF technical delegates surveying the preparation of facilities, installations, etc. ;
- f) checking the entry forms in accordance with the IOC Rules ;
- g) uniform of IF officials (judges, referees, etc.) necessary during the Olympic Games.

3. *IFs' arrangements which need the IOC's approval :*

- a) establishing their respective Olympic programmes, including or deleting events in conformity with the Rules and the criteria set up by the IOC ;
- b) number of athletes per event and per country and number of teams participating at the Olympic Games ;
- c) number of substitutes (reserves) in individual and team sports (events) ;
- d) daily time schedule of the programme of given sports at the Olympic Games agreed by the IFs and the Organising Committee ;
- e) proposals concerning the selection and number of athletes for doping control ;
- f) proposing a list of international competitions at which the Organising Committee is authorised by the IF concerned to issue feminity certificates which will be valid for the Olympic Games in addition to the IOC certificates issued at previous Olympic Games ;
- g) proposing disqualification of a non-technical nature ;
- h) sending more than two technical delegates to survey the preparations of the Olympic Games or organising additional visits deviating from the IOC Rules ;
- i) accepting individual athletes from countries which have a duly recognised NOC but no national federation.



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