



INDOOR TOUR REGULATIONS

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1. General Principles

- 1.1. The World Athletics Indoor Tour ('Indoor Tour') provides clearly understood differing levels of competition based on prize money and quality of organisation for worldwide international one-day Meetings, subject to fulfilment of the minimum requirements set out in these Regulations.
- 1.2. Regulations governing the Indoor Tour shall be issued to Indoor Tour Meeting Organisers ('Organisers') and may be amended every year by World Athletics.

2. Minimum Requirements

- 2.1. Organisers agree to observe and respect all Rules and Regulations, and decisions taken by World Athletics.
- 2.2. Organisers staging the Meeting in one competition stadium must do so over one day. If Organisers stage part of the Meeting outside of the main competition stadium or in a temporary facility or facilities (i.e. outside the competition stadium to promote a specific event or events and shorten the timetable) then that part of the meeting must be held the day before and only with World Athletics' prior written approval. The temporary facility or facilities must be constructed according to Rule 11 of the Technical Rules (see Book C – C2.1 of the World Athletics Book of Rules).
- 2.3. Organisers must arrange a liability insurance policy, covering Public Liability and accidental injury to athletes and officials for which they may be liable.
- 2.4. Organisers must meet the minimum requirements set out in Appendix 1 to these Regulations.

The Indoor Tour calendar can be found on the [World Athletics website](#).

- 2.5. Once an Athlete (or an Athletes' Representative or Member Federation on their behalf) has accepted a starting place in a Meeting, and subsequently withdraws for any reason 5 days or less before the Meeting, the athlete cannot compete in a World Rankings Competition (including an Indoor Tour meet) for 5 days following the date of the originally accepted Meeting. For the avoidance of doubt, Organisers must not invite an athlete subject to the 5-day period. If an Organiser discovers they have invited such an athlete and are still within the 5-day period, then they must withdraw their invitation.
- 2.6. The restriction at Regulation 2.5 can only be waived with the written acceptance of the Technical Delegate of the Meeting in which the athlete originally accepted to compete in and subsequently withdrew from, or if for any reason the Technical Delegate is unable to, the World Athletics' Chief Executive Officer (or their nominee). For the avoidance of doubt, withdrawal for genuine reasons (e.g. illness, injury, bereavement, family emergencies etc.) will be presumed acceptable with supporting information.
- 2.7. Where an Athlete is eligible, selected and notified in writing by their Member Federation to compete at the Member Federation's National Championships but, without a genuine reason (with supporting information), instead competes at a Meeting then World Athletics may decide not to validate, recognise and record the Athletes' Results from the Meeting. For the avoidance of doubt, the Athlete is to submit such genuine reasons in writing (with supporting information) to World Athletics' Chief Executive Officer (or their nominee).

3. Application Processes

3.1. Each year Organisers must:

- 3.1.1. Submit an application through the Global Calendar Platform to be listed as a World Rankings Competition: <https://globalcalendar.worldathletics.org/>
- 3.1.2. Arrange for their application to be approved by the host National Federation and forwarded to the corresponding Area Association (in the case of Gold, Silver, Bronze or Challenger level Meetings).
- 3.1.3. By the deadline set by World Athletics, as published from time to time on the following page, <https://globalcalendar.worldathletics.org/>

4. Requirements to Deliver the Event

4.1. Stadium & Technical

- 4.1.1. All facilities and competition equipment must conform to the Rules and Regulations as amended from time to time.
- 4.1.2. Organisers guarantee the following:

	<u>Equipment / Implement*</u>	<u>Facility Certificate</u>	<u>Stadium capacity</u>	<u>Min Spectator Attendance</u>
<u>Gold</u>	WA certified	Indoor Certificate or confirmation of compliance	3000	60%
<u>Silver</u>	WA certified		2000	60%
<u>Bronze</u>	WA certified	Must comply with the Competition & Technical Rules	1000	60%

* Includes personal implements.

4.1.3. Electronic Measuring Requirements

	<u>Electronic False Start</u>
<u>Gold</u>	Obligatory including false start apparatus
<u>Silver</u>	Recommended. However, in the absence of an electronic false start system, World Records will not be ratified.
<u>Bronze</u>	

4.1.4. Lane Allocation

For events from 60m to 800m inclusive, allocation of lanes will be at the Organisers' discretion, who will take into consideration current performances and local conditions.

4.1.5. Order of Field Events

The competition order of the field events will be at the discretion of the Organisers.

4.2. Media

- 4.2.1. Organisers must provide the minimum requirements set out in Appendix 1 to deliver media operations services to the press and photographers.
- 4.2.2. Organisers will use their best endeavours to provide the services set out in the World Athletics Media Operations Best Practice document to press and photographers.

4.3. Television

- 4.3.1. Live broadcast, or in exceptional circumstances only, delayed significant broadcast on the day of the Meeting is compulsory within the host country. If possible, live streaming should be used to promote the field events.

<u>Gold</u>	Indoor Tour Broadcast Guidelines 2025
<u>Silver</u>	High Quality Live Streaming*
<u>Bronze</u>	High Quality Live Streaming*

*Available on the World Indoor Tour website and event website or similar platform

- 4.3.2. Organisers will use their best endeavours to ensure television production and service to broadcasters comply with the Television Production and Graphic Branding Guidelines.

4.4. Technical Delegate

- 4.4.1. A Technical Delegate will be appointed to the attend the event as follows:

	<u>Appointed by</u>	<u>Travel</u>	<u>Hotel & Meals allowance</u>
<u>Gold</u>	World Athletics	Paid by Meeting (economy class)	Max 3 nights at the Meeting Hotel + Full board
<u>Silver</u>	In accordance with the procedures set out in the relevant Area Association rules and regulations.		
<u>Bronze</u>			

- 4.4.2. The Technical Delegate must have the required technical knowledge and will act as the official competition representative of either World Athletics or the Area Associations where the event is located. The Technical delegate must have accreditation to access all areas.

- 4.4.3. Provided they are suitably qualified, the Technical Delegate can be from any Country or Territory including the Country or Territory where the Meeting is located.

- 4.4.4. On the day before the competition the Organiser must stage a Technical Meeting for Gold Level Indoor Tour only. The Technical Meeting must be held with all

participants (i.e. Technical Delegate, Referees, Athletes', Coaches, Athletes' Representative, Meet personnel, World Athletics staff etc.). For Silver and Bronze Level Meetings the Technical Meeting is recommended.

4.5. Start Lists and Results

- 4.5.1. Immediately following the Technical Meeting, Organisers must send the final Start Lists to World Athletics. If there is no Technical Meeting, the Start Lists should be sent as soon as available, and no later than the evening prior to the Meeting. The information must be sent to World Athletics Competitions office email: WorldAthleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org
- 4.5.2. GOLD: The results must be posted live on the event website and sent live after each event to World Athletics (email: worldathleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org) by no later than sixty (60) minutes after the end of the Meeting. The Results must include:
 - Event
 - Athlete's Position
 - Athlete's Surname and Name
 - Athlete's Country Code
 - Athlete's Mark
 - Trials: field events
- 4.5.3. SILVER/BRONZE: Organisers must send the official results to World Athletics immediately after the conclusion of the meeting to WorldAthleticsmeetingresults@worldathletics.org
- 4.5.4. Organisers must immediately notify World Athletics and the Area of any correction to the Results.

4.6. Medical & Anti-doping

- 4.6.1. The Organiser must provide:
 - Adequate Medical and Emergency Services on site, including emergency assistance and ambulance service, and minor stitching.
 - Physiotherapy facilities at the stadium and at the Athletes' hotel.
- 4.6.2. The Organiser must organise and cover the costs of doping controls and analyses as follows:

	Urine Tests	Erythropoiesis Stimulating Agents (ESA)
Gold	Minimum 10	2 of the 10 urine tests
Silver	Minimum 6	n/a
Bronze	Minimum 4	n/a

- Samples must be collected in strict accordance with World Athletics Anti-Doping Rules (and appendices) using qualified doping control personnel.
- Samples shall be shipped to and analysed by a WADA-accredited laboratory appointed by the Athletics Integrity Unit.
- Additional tests may also be conducted where:

- a. World Athletics decides to conduct pre-competition blood testing at its own expense. The Organiser shall assist the Athletics Integrity Unit should pre-competition blood tests take place at the Organiser's event (chaperones, hotel room for sample collection etc.); and/or
- b. an Athlete breaks or equals a World Record (if more than one Athlete breaks or equals the record in the same event, then all Athletes concerned must be tested); and/or
- c. any Athlete who has broken an Area or National Record requests it; and/or
- d. the Athletics Integrity Unit requests it.

- The latest World Athletics Anti-Doping Rules are available to download from www.athleticsintegrity.org

4.7. Athlete & Delegates Logistics

4.7.1. The Meeting headquarters hotel and transport facilities to be provided by the Organiser must comply with the following minimum requirements:

	Hotel	Delegates	PV
Gold	Min 4 star	Pool Cars	Transport & storage
Silver	Min 3 star	Shuttle transport	Transport & storage
Bronze	Min 3 star	Shuttle transport	Transport & storage

4.7.2. Athlete and Delegate transportation must be to and from the hotel, stadium, airport, train station, and any other official competition venue.

4.8. World Indoor Tour Marketing

4.8.1. Organisers shall display, at their own cost the World Athletics Indoor Tour logo*

	Perimeter boards or banners	Website	Printed material **	World Athletics Ad
Gold	Min. 2	Home page	All	YES
Silver	Min. 2	Home page	All	NO
Bronze	Min. 2	Home page	All	NO

*Measurements to be supplied by World athletics

** bulletins, leaflets, start lists, results

4.9. Post Meeting report

4.9.1. Meeting Organisers shall submit a completed Event Report to the corresponding Area on the form provided by the Area within ten (10) days after the end of the competition.

4.9.2. For Gold level meetings the event report form must be returned to World Athletics competition department. The information requested will form part of the scoring of the yearly evaluation.

4.10. Sustainability Requirements

4.10.1. Organisers must meet and report in accordance with the Sustainable Event Standard set out in the following link <https://worldathletics.org/athletics-better-world/sustainability/athletics-for-a-better-world-standard> .

5. Evaluation and Reporting

- 5.1. After completion of each Gold Level Meeting season, all Organisers will undergo an evaluation co-ordinated by World Athletics. Organisers will report against the criteria and scoring set out at Appendix 2 in accordance with dates and deadlines advised by World Athletics.
- 5.2. Organisers are obliged to co-operate with the evaluation and reporting procedures and comply promptly with any requests for information pursuant to them.
- 5.3. In addition to the reporting requirement at Regulation 5.1, Organisers must provide a report on their meeting to World Athletics by the date requested by World Athletics and include the following information:
 - 5.3.1. ticket sales,
 - 5.3.2. financial breakdown,
 - 5.3.3. completed Satisfaction Surveys in the form provided by World Athletics, and
 - 5.3.4. fan engagement survey.
- 5.4. Once all Meetings reports have been received by World Athletics then World Athletics will endeavour to complete its overall evaluation and reporting of the season by 30 April following the last Gold Level meeting.
- 5.5. For the Silver and Bronze Level Meetings either the Member Federation or Area Association may set the evaluation and reporting process and criteria for the meetings for which they have issued a Permit. Organisers of Silver and Bronze Level Meetings are obliged to co-operate with the evaluation and reporting procedures as determined by the Member Federation or Area Association and comply promptly with any requests for information pursuant to them. Further, Technical Delegates to Silver and Bronze Level Meetings shall give assistance to the Organiser and the Organiser shall cooperate with the Technical Delegate.

6. Prize Money Purse

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Gold	USD \$75000
Silver	USD \$30000
Bronze	USD \$12000

6.1. Prize Money at Gold, Silver and Bronze Levels

a. Gold Level Prize Money

Each Meeting will award for Indoor Tour events the following compulsory Prize Money.

Core events (scoring towards the WIT bonus) as follows:

Per event

Position	Events
1	\$3000 USD

2	\$1500USD
3	\$1000 USD
4	\$750 USD
5	\$500 USD
6*	\$300 USD
Total	\$7050 USD**

* For sprint races \$150 USD & \$100 USD will be awarded to athletes finishing 7th and 8th respectively.

** For additional events (not scoring for WIT bonus) but aiming for A category World Rankings the total prize money purse per event must be \$5000; consisting of top 6 payments as follows: \$2000-\$1000-\$800-\$600-\$400-\$200.

- b. For middle-distance races (600m and over), \$200 USD and \$150 USD will be awarded to Athletes finishing in the positions 7th and 8th respectively.
- c. For Silver Level Meetings 4,000 USD per discipline and per sex and for Bronze Level Meetings 2,500 USD per discipline and per sex.
- d. In case of a tie for the same position, the prize money corresponding to the final positions will be divided into equal shares between the athletes.
- e. Organisers must pay prize money within 30 days of receipt of the doping control clearance from the Athletics Integrity Unit and complete invoices which must comply with the communicated legal, fiscal and procedural requirements of the Organiser.
- f. Organisers must reimburse an Athlete's travel expenses. The reimbursement will either be made at the Meeting or within 2 weeks after the Meeting, provided the necessary paperwork (i.e. receipts, invoices etc.) has been given to the Organiser.
- g. Upon request from the Area Association and/or World Athletics, an Organiser must provide within two weeks, proof of the payments made to the Athletes, including as well as, if applicable, any payment to any Athletes' Representative.

7. Tour Prize Money

- 7.1. The overall winner of each Indoor Tour event will receive \$10,000 USD prize money and automatically qualify for the subsequent World Athletics Indoor Championships by Wild Card. The Member Federation of the Indoor Tour winner will make the final decision whether to enter the athlete or not, based on its own selection criteria.

8. Tour Points Allocation

- 8.1. Points will be awarded for all Indoor Tour Gold, Silver Level and Bronze Level Meetings.
- 8.2. An athlete can participate in as many events as chosen within the calendar of Meetings. However, only the best three (3) results count towards World Rankings.
- 8.3. In the case of a tie for the first position in the overall rankings for the Indoor Tour, it will be resolved in favour of the athlete who has achieved the best performance in any round of the main event during any meeting of the Indoor Tour and if the tie still exists, the

second (or third if required) best performance in any round of the main event during any meeting of the Indoor Tour.

8.4. Further information concerning Athlete Participation and World Ranking Points can be found: <https://worldathletics.org/world-ranking-rules/basics>

8.5. Points are allocated to the best four (4) athletes in each World Athletics Indoor Tour event:

Position	Points
1	10 points
2	7 points
3	5 points
4	3 points

8.6. Any athlete achieving a new World Record will be awarded three (3) bonus World Ranking Points in addition to their finishing position World Ranking Points. In order to award the three (3) bonus points, the minimum number of athletes required to compete in field events is six (6).

8.7. The scores of races at:

- 300m and 500m shall count towards the 400m
- 600m and 1000m shall count towards the 800m
- Mile and 2000m shall count towards the 1500m
- 2 Miles shall count towards 3000m/5000m

8.8. The Organiser may stage more than one of the events identified above. However, the Organiser must inform World Athletics and officially announce which event will be a World Ranking Points event.

8.9. In the 60m and 60m Hurdles the Organiser may stage either:

8.10. qualifying heats and a Final. The heats should be staged consecutively in the Meeting Programme. World Ranking Points will be awarded only in the Final; or

8.10.1. more than one race per event through combining the times of all the races. The races need not to be staged consecutively in the Meeting Programme.

World Ranking Points will be awarded in the 60m and 60m hurdles to the athletes with the four (4) fastest times.

8.11. In events of 400m and above, the Organiser may stage more than one race per event and combine the times of all races. Races do not need to be staged consecutively in the Meeting Programme. World Ranking Points will be awarded in events 400m and above to the athletes with the four (4) fastest times.

8.12. In case of a tie for the same position, the points will not be divided between the tying athletes, but each tying athlete will receive the same amount of World Ranking Points corresponding to their finishing position in the event.

9. Gold Level Meetings

9.1. Organisers must stage a minimum of 6 and up to 9 core group events a total eleven (11) events per season.

9.2. There will be two (2) Core Groups:

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Group A		Group B	
Men	Women	Men	Women
60m hurdles	800m	400m	60m
Long Jump	3000m	1500m	P/Vault
High Jump	Shot		T/Jump

- If in Group A may select either two (2) or (three) 3 core events from Group B;
- If in Group B may select either two (2) or (three) 3 core events from Group A;
- May either add further events from its opposing Group that it has not already selected or add other discretionary event(s) subject to the prior written approval by World Athletics taking into consideration, and trying to avoid, a conflict of events being staged by another Organiser. Should a conflict arise, the conflict will be referred to World Athletics for resolution;
- Have the obligation to immediately notify World Athletics of any requested change in the approved programme such change being subject to the prior written approval by World Athletics;
- Shall stage the Meeting Programme within two and half (2.5) consecutive hours;
- Organisers are free to organise additional events within the prize money levels stated at Regulation 6.

9.3. Organisers may exchange a maximum of two (2) of the above events between themselves with the written approval of World Athletics.

9.4. For any Athlete, Organisers must only negotiate their participation in the Meeting with:

- 9.4.1. a World Athletics licensed Athletes' Representative;
- 9.4.2. a Member Federation who has received the prior written consent of World Athletics' Chief Executive Officer to represent the athlete;
- 9.4.3. the Athlete themselves (if they have chosen to represent themselves).

A complete list of registered Athletes' Representatives is available from World Athletics website at <https://worldathletics.org/athletes/athlete-representatives>

9.5. World Athletics Staff & Stadium Ticket

- a. For Gold level meetings, the Organiser must provide free of charge full-board accommodation at the Meeting hotel for a maximum of three nights for two World Athletics Staff members (including accreditation to access all areas).
- b. Furthermore, at least 5 (five) VIP stadium tickets with access to any hospitality facilities. Should World Athletics request additional VIP seats, the Organiser shall make every reasonable effort to make such VIP seats available.

10. Silver and Bronze Level Meetings- Athletes' Representatives

10.1. For any Athlete (including a 'Ranked Athlete' as defined in the Athletes' Representatives Rules) the Organiser must self-report to World Athletics who (full name and contact details) the Organiser has negotiated the Athlete's appearance at the Meeting with.

11. Breaches and Sanctions

- 11.1. In the event of an allegation of breach of any of these Regulations or World Athletics' Rules or Regulations generally, the alleged breach will be investigated and, if applicable and subject to Regulation 12.2 below, sanctioned in accordance with the Disputes and Disciplinary Proceedings Rules.
- 11.2. If the Disciplinary Officer finds there has been a breach of these Regulations or other relevant World Athletics Rule or Regulation, **in addition** to the sanctions set out in the Disputes and Disciplinary Proceedings Rules, they may impose any one or more of the following sanctions:
 - 11.2.1. withdrawal of the Organisers' current Permit;
 - 11.2.2. downgrade the Organiser's Permit;
 - 11.2.3. not accept the results from the Organiser's meeting as being 'official' and invalidate the results in the World Athletics statistics or results;
 - 11.2.4. place conditions on future applications from the Organiser for a World Athletics Permit;
 - 11.2.5. prohibit the Organiser from applying for a meeting Permit for a period as may be appropriate in the circumstances.
- 11.3. Where the Disciplinary Officer makes a finding against an Organiser:
 - 11.3.1. World Athletics (or its delegate(s)) may publish the decision and/or the sanction as World Athletics (or its delegate(s)) considers appropriate.
 - 11.3.2. a copy of the findings will be provided to the Member Federation where the Organiser's meeting is or would normally have been held.