THROW SCENARIOS

1. Athlete K competing in a throwing event advises the Chief of the event that he is competing in the high Jump at the other end of the ground, and wishes to go to that event. He has completed his 4th throw and was in 1st position at the end of round 3 and at this point remains in that placing.

Who can make the following decisions?

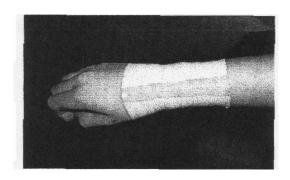
- a) Can the athlete have his 5th throw before he leaves?
- b) The athlete returns after the completion of round 5. Is the athlete able to have his 5th round throw?
- c) The athlete fails to return and all the athletes have completed their 6th round throws. The third round throw puts K in 1st place. What action is required?
- d) What actions are required/available if this athlete and another are tied for 1st place?
- e) Or for another place
- f) Is the situation different if the athlete leaves the event without informing the appropriate official?
- 2. In a discus event an athlete throws and is measured as having attained the distance of 33.91m. The measurement is accurately recorded, and upon the recorder repeating the measurement in a loud voice, murmurs of disagreement are heard from some members of the crowd watching the event. This throw of 33.91m places the athlete amongst the medallists. There is then a protest lodged on behalf of the next placed athlete, claiming that the throw of 33.91m was actually only 32.91m. **DISCUSS**
- 3. You are an official at the Javelin event at the Region Three Championships. During round six you notice that the Javelin feels a little "loose" when you throw it back towards the runway. You call out to the Chief about your concerns but as there are only two throwers left the Chief decides not to do anything. The second last thrower grabbed that javelin and has her trial. The Javelin breaks whilst in the air. The tip section hits the ground before the other section and sticks in the ground.

 DISCUSS

4. An athlete has been diagnosed as having Juvenile Arthritis and has been advised by his doctor to wear a bandage on his wrist when doing throwing events. The athlete normally wears a wrist guard which covers from where the thumb connects to the hand. He competed at Region and State in the same season but was given different directions as to where the bandage was allowed to be worn.

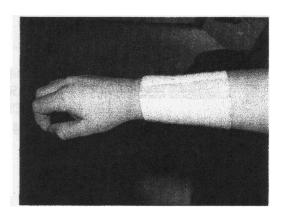
At Carnival A he was directed to wear the bandage as per picture A

Picture A



At Carnival B he was directed to wear the bandage as per picture B

Picture B



At both carnivals he was told that he could wear the bandage however he would be fouled if he didn't wear the bandage as directed.

DISCUSS

- Is an athlete allowed to wear a bandage?
- If so do either of the positions reach the rules of shot put?

JUMP SCENARIOS

- 1. In a women's Long jump event a competitor is injured when landing and is unable to leave the pit of her own accord. Discuss what the chief judge should do from the time it is obvious that the competitor is unable to leave of her own accord.
- 2. In the final of the women's triple jump at the State Championships after three rounds are completed, only six of the competitors have valid jumps. One of the remaining two has three failures whilst the eighth competitor passed her first two rounds and then filed to return for the third round because she was competing in the 200m. How many competitors are entitled to their final three jumps? Explain your answer.
- 3. Athlete arrives on the field and the start list does not include an athlete who has arrived with the group. The Call Room Manager advises that the additional athlete was entered but her name was withdrawn at the direction of the Technical Delegate / Meet Manager. The athlete when advised that she is not eligible to compete, refuses to leave the field and insists on being allowed to warm up and compete. What actions are required and by whom? What if the athlete still refuses to leave and it is time for the event to commence? Would your actions differ depending upon the level of competition? What would this be and why?
- 4. A competitor in the Under 13 Girls age group at the regional carnival who has failed her first two attempts at 1.50m has been called for her 3rd attempt. There is a strong wind blowing making it necessary for the officials to steady the bar up to the last possible moment. She waits until the wind eases then commences her attempt. There is a strong wind gust just as she takes off on her attempt. The bar falls off the supports without the competitor having touched the bar. The chief judge is aware that the competitor did not touch the bar, but rules the attempt as a failure because the athlete was clearly below the height of the bar on her attempted jump. The competitor queries this decision. After listening to the chief judge's explanation, she decides to lodge an on-field protest.
- There are four athletes remaining in the competition at the State Championships. There has been some gamesmanship during the competition, with athletes who have passed a height attempting to pressure other athletes to also pass. The officials have had to intervene by advising athletes to make their own decision without being influenced by others. Several athletes have also been permitted to re-measure their run up after the competition had commenced. The four remaining athletes all clear 1.80m, and athletes A, B & C agree to pass at 1.82m. Athlete D is undecided but eventually agrees to also pass. Athletes A, B & C successfully clear at 1.84m, but athlete D fails his first attempt. On his second attempt, he pauses for some time to prepare for his attempt but commences his run up within the allowed time. He then pulls up as he approaches the bar and advises the officials that his marker has been moved. The 60 seconds since he was called for his attempt expires during this discussion. **Discuss what action the officials should take.**

TRACK SCENARIOS

- 1. In the first heat of the 400m hurdles at the state championships, the 7th hurdle is left off the track in lane 2 because the high jump officials have not replaced it before the race. You are the Track referee. What action would you take in the following situations?
 - a) The athlete in lane 2 won the heat by more than 30m.
 - b) The athlete in lane 2 was already more than 50m behind at the time of reaching the 7th hurdle having fallen in the back straight,
 - c) The athlete in lane 2 will be contending for a time qualification place in the final as a result of his performance.
 - d) An umpire stationed on the curve just beyond the 200m start area reports that the athlete in lane 2 took three steps on the inside line of lane 2 as the athlete rounded the bend
- 2. An umpire placed behind the 100m start is convinced that the wrong competitor has been disqualified for the second false start. A second umpire, similarly located in the area agrees with this impression.
 - a) What should the umpire do?
 - b) What should the Referee do?
 - c) What would the Referee do if the athlete who has been disqualified makes an immediate oral protest?
- 3. At the Australian All Schools in the 4 x 400m relay. Team B is leading Team E 30 metres from the finish line. Team E sees enough space to pass Team B on the inside next to the running rail. Team B moves closed to the running rail causing Team E runner to crash into the back of the Team B runner. Team E drops the baton but continues and finishes the race behind Team B.

Team E is disqualified for finishing without the baton.

Team E makes an immediate oral protest to the Referee who refers the matter to the Jury. You are a member of the jury.

What decision would you make and how would you arrive at your decision?

GENERAL SCENARIOS

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Scenario 1

You have been appointed to check uniforms at a Little Athletics NSW carnival. Whilst checking their uniform you notice on different athletes:-

- a) The Jetstar patch covers the top left hand corner of the Registration number.
- b) A boy turns up wearing a turban and wants to compete in long pants
- c) A girl arrives with Coca Cola showing on her Centre number
- d) A boy arrives, wearing football boots but has no other footwear.

Discuss what action you would take and the reasons for that action.

Scenario 2

You have been appointed to the Call Room (Marshalling). 2 calls are made for the Under 10 Boys 100m Final which is scheduled to start at 1.15pm. At 1.12pm all the boys except for no 123 from Randville are present, including the two reserves. You asked the other boy from Randville if he knows where No 123 is. He advises that he hasn't seen him since the heats. The first reserve is then advised he will be replacing No 123 and the athletes are sent out of the Call Room. After they have left the call room No 123 arrives with his parent. The parent advises that they have been at first aid and that he had advised his team manager that they were going to the first aid room.

The parent demands that the boy be put back into the event.

Discuss what your actions would be.

Scenario 3

You have been appointed Information Officer for a carnival. A parent arrives and complains that her son competed in the U12 Boys Long Jump 2 hours ago and she has just checked the results on the noticeboard. They show that her son's best jump was 2.89m. She claims that she had written down his distances as they were called out and she had written down 2.98m the longer distance would have placed her son fourth instead of 6th.

Discuss what advice/action you would take including what additional information if any you would obtain.

Considerations

- Check posting time written on the result form
- If 30 min protest time has elapsed, a protest can't be lodged
- The protest could be classed as frivolous and money lost and dismissed.