

OCEANIA ASSOCIATION OF VETERAN ATHLETES

POLICY STATEMENT - No. 2.8

This Policy Statement was endorsed by the Council at its meeting on 21 January, 2001

OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS

SANCTION FEES

BACKGROUND:

It is obviously desirable that Oceania Regional Championships are efficiently organised and do not result in a loss being incurred by the organisers.

It is Council's aim to ensure that Oceania Championships are conducted profitably so that financial benefits are available from the Championships for the benefit of local veteran and athletic organisations. To assist in achieving that objective, Council provides assistance to Organising Committees and draws upon the accumulated experience of previous events.

Council also acknowledges the effort required by Organising Committees in staging Oceania Championships, and that they also assume the risk of any financial loss.

However, OAVA incurs considerable expenses in the conduct of its affairs and fulfilling its responsibilities to affiliates and competing athletes. These can become more significant when Regional Championships are conducted by smaller affiliates.

Council believes it is reasonable that it receive some contribution from the total revenue generated by the holding of the Championships to assist in meeting its objectives and reduce the personal costs incurred by Council members in fulfilling their duties.

Over recent years it has been a requirement that the organisers of Regional Championships pay a share of any final profit realised from Oceania Championships to OAVA.

However it has been difficult to determine and agree on an appropriate share of profits and in forecasting the amount of such profit share. This has not assisted budgeting by Organising Committees and OAVA.

Accordingly, Council has now resolved to replace the requirement for sharing of profit with a "*Sanction Fee*", which can be set at a level which recognises all circumstances of individual Championships.

POLICY STATEMENT:

Contracts signed for the conduct of Oceania Regional Championships are expected to include provision for payment of a Sanction Fee payable to OAVA by the organisers of the event.

It is recognised that Championships staged at island venues are likely to attract smaller numbers of competitors and are unlikely to result in any significant profit.

It is also recognised that particular circumstances may exist in which it is not appropriate for OAVA to require payment of a Sanction Fee.

Unless a Sanction Fee for any Regional Championship event is set by Council, the Emergency Committee shall determine and approve the amount of any Sanction Fee payable.

In exercising this authority the Emergency Committee is required to examine all circumstances relating to the Championship organisation and budget.

Relevant Resolutions:

Council 21 January, 2001