

Communication from: IMMAF Sports Department

OFFICIALS SELECTION CRITERIA

Selection criteria:

All referees and judges working on IMMAF events shall be initially selected on the basis of continental quota, their qualification, performance history, appropriate level of fitness to be able to carry their duties and good standing with their national federation. The continental quota for each World Championships shall be established by Sports Director based on the budget and long-term developmental strategy

Note: Participation of IMMAF certified official in any alternative version of MMA promoted by any other alternative organization without informing continental leader and IMMAF Referees and Judges Commission automatically leads to de-selection of such individual from officiating at IMMAF events for the period of 12 months.

Selection process:

Pre-selection shall be made by Continental Leaders and is the subject of the final approval by Sports Director.

Continental Leaders

Africa: Charl Van Tonder (South Africa)

Asia: Abdulla AlAli (UAE)

Europe: Antonio Garcia Morales (Spain)

Pan-America: Warren Gill (Trinidad)

Oceania: TBC

Hosting Federation support

When sufficient number of officials cannot be sourced by IMMAF, host federation can recommend national technical officials (NTO) to be the part of the team. However, they need be IMMAF certified. Referees and Judges Commission shall review the candidates and once satisfied with their standing and level of expertise approve them

Official roles ideally to be filled with the NTO:

- a) Timekeepers
- b) Smoothcomp operators
- c) Backstage support
- d) Cutmen/cutwomen (when requested)
- e) Extra Referees and judges (when requested)

Support staff/ NTOs expected competence:

- a) Be competent in use of English language (official language of IMMAF)
- b) Display professionalism, integrity and ethical conduct
- c) Ability to work collaboratively in a team-orientated environment together with other officials
- d) Be able to react quickly to changing circumstances and work under pressure
- e) Have appropriate level of fitness to be able to carry their duties

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