

IAAF WORLD ATHLETICS TOUR MEETINGS - 2008 STATUS REQUIREMENTS and REGULATIONS

1. General Principles

- 1.1 The IAAF World Athletics Tour (WAT) will include in principle a maximum of 25 IAAF Permit Meetings divided in two levels:
- The first comprises: "Golden League Meetings" (GL - see 1.3) and "Super Grand Prix Meetings" (SGP)
 - The second is named "Grand Prix Meetings" (GP)
- 1.2 Each IAAF Continental Association will have at least one meeting part of the WAT.
- 1.3 Berlin - Brussels - Oslo - Paris - Rome and Zurich are part of the 2008 IAAF Golden League. They have the same rights and duties as the other meetings of this level (SGP), the difference being that their TV rights have been bought by the IAAF.
- 1.4 These meetings (as well as some Qualifying Area Permit Meetings, APM-Q - see 7.7) lead to the qualification to the IAAF World Athletics Final (WAF) which will be staged over two days and will include 36 events (see 7.4 to 7.10): 18 Men and 18 Women:
- Men: 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 3000m, 5000m, 3000mSC, 110mH, 400mH, HJ, PV, LJ, TJ, SP, DT, HT, JT.
- Women: 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 3000m, 5000m, 3000mSC, 100mH, 400mH, HJ, PV, LJ, TJ, SP, DT, HT, JT.
- 1.5 During these events, IAAF Rules will apply unless specifically stated within these Regulations.
- 1.6 All the meetings shall comply with these Requirements and Regulations and with the IAAF Competition Rule 140 and have a valid IAAF Track certificate (class 2 at least).
- 1.7 Each WAT Meetings must have a minimum attendance based on the size of the stadium

10,000	> 62%	6,200
15,000	60%	9,000
20,000	58%	11,600
25,000	57%	14,250
30,000	55%	16,500
35,000	53%	18,550
40,000	51%	20,400
45,000	50%	22,500
50,000	48%	24,000
55,000	46%	25,300
60,000	44%	26,400
65,000	42%	27,300
70,000	40%	28,000

- 1.8 Each WAT Meeting Organiser must sign, on a yearly basis, a contract with the IAAF in which the duties and rights of all parties are listed.
- 1.9 The matters related to these competitions are handled by the "World Athletics Tour Working Group" nominated by the IAAF Council.

2 How to make an application

- 2.1 The Meeting Organiser must be the National Federation or a Member of the National Federation, and must agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations of the IAAF.

- 2.2 At least one person from the National Federation, selected in agreement with the Organising Committee, must be co-opted onto the Organising Committee for the purposes of liaison.
- 2.3 Applications for an IAAF Status shall be submitted to the IAAF (by the deadline set by the IAAF) on the appropriate form. The form must be countersigned by the National Federation.
- 2.4 No application shall be considered for the requested category if the following minimum requirements are not met.

3. Designation of the WAT Meetings

- 3.1 All WAT Meetings will undergo an annual evaluation of all WAT meetings on all aspects of their organisation:
 - level of the results,
 - level of the athletes competing,
 - capacity of the stadium,
 - number of spectators,
 - respect of these regulations,
 - respect of all other IAAF regulations (such as Advertising Regulations),
 - respect of the financial commitments towards the athletes,
 - technical conduct of the competition,
 - television production and coverage,
 - services provided to the athletes,
 - media services....
- 3.2 Taking this evaluation as a reference, the "IAAF World Athletics Tour Working Group" will consider in autumn of every year which meetings will be part of the next year's WAT.
- 3.3 If an Area would like to have a new meeting to be included in the WAT, the request must be sent to IAAF before September 1st. The concerned meeting must have fulfilled all requirements of the WAT for the last two years.
- 3.4 The status will be cancelled if the "Requirements" and "Regulations" (such as technical regulations, non-payment of promised financial grants, lack of spectators ...) to be at this level are not fulfilled.
- 3.5 Competition dates will be decided by the IAAF in the priority sequence of Golden League - Super Grand Prix and Grand Prix.

4. Minimum Requirements for Application

4.1 Minimum standards of organisation

The observation and respect of the applicable IAAF Regulations Guidelines shall always be one of the minimum requirements.

4.2 Condition to apply

Normally, only meetings having had a Continental Permit since at least two years may apply for an IAAF category.

4.3 Stadium and Technical Aspects

	IAAF Golden League & Super Grand Prix	IAAF Grand Prix
Capacity (spectators)	> 15,000	> 8,000 (existing IAAF meetings) > 10,000 (new applicant)
Min Number of Lanes	8	8
Track Certification	Minimum Class 2	Minimum Class 2
Warm-up area	Adequate for all events	Track and Jumps
Equipment	IAAF Certified	IAAF Certified
Implements	Personal or provided, all certified	Personal or provided, all certified
Runways	Bi-directional	Bi-directional
Timing	Electronic	Electronic
Electronic False Start	Yes	Yes
Measurement	EDM	EDM
Display	2 clocks, 4 EIFB	2 clocks, 3 EIFB
Data processing	TV compatible	TV compatible
Results service	According to IAAF Guidelines	According to IAAF Guidelines
Video Screen	Image and results	Image and results

EIFB = Electronic In Field Board

4.4 Programme of the WAT Meetings

- a. The programme of each Meeting must be established and announced to the IAAF by February 15th (December 15th of the year preceding the meetings to be staged before March 1st).
- b. In order to ensure sufficient competing and scoring opportunities for all events, the IAAF will impose the staging of 2 events (preferably 1 male field event and 1 female field event) within the indicated minimum. Therefore a minimum of 14 events will be decided by the LOC and 2 events will be imposed by the IAAF.
- c. The minimum programme of any WAT meetings is composed of 16 events with a minimum of 7 by gender. These 16 events are divided in three categories at least one Premium Events - Classic Events - Promotional Events (see 4.6.b & 4.6.c). The meetings held before June 1st are not obliged to respect this division in three categories.
- d. The Meeting Organiser is free to stage any events in addition to the above minimum number and on a prize money level of their choice.
- e. The Meeting Organiser shall make every effort to stage the main programme for the purpose of TV coverage within the 2 ½ hours

4.5 Participation Field

- a. Although Meeting Organisers are not required to invite any particular Athletes or groups of Athletes to their Meetings, the recommendations listed under 4.5.b and 4.5.c concerning the Athletes' participation apply.
- b. In order to ensure an adequate quality of the participating field, the Meeting Organiser, according to the category of his Meeting, should make every effort to have competing, for each event, the following Athletes:
 - IAAF Golden League & Super Grand Prix Meetings:
 - . 4 athletes in the IAAF Top 20 list for at least 12 events
 - . and 4 athletes in the IAAF Top 50 for all the remaining events
 - IAAF Grand Prix Meetings held before 1st June:
 - . 4 athletes in the IAAF Top 50 for all events
 - IAAF Grand Prix Meetings held on June 1st and later:

- . 4 athletes in the Top 30 for at least 8 events
- . and 4 athletes in the Top 50 for all the remaining events.

For the implementation of this clause, shall be taken as reference the IAAF World Top List published on the IAAF website 10 days before the day of the meeting

For the Meetings staged before June 1st, the last Top List from the previous year will be taken as reference.

- c. Where applicable, the Meeting Organiser should allow at least one starting place in each event for national Athletes.

4.6 Prize Money at the WAT meetings

- a. Each WAT Meeting will award the following compulsory Prize Money (all amounts are in US Dollars). The structure shall vary according to the category and to the programme of events (see 4.4.c).
- b. For the Golden League & Super Grand Prix, the minimum total amount is US\$ 500,000 with the following breakdown

	Premium	Classic	Promotional (*)
1st	16,000	8,000	4,000
2nd	12,000	6,000	3,000
3rd	9,000	4,500	2,250
4th	6,000	3,000	1,500
5th	4,000	2,000	1,000
6th	3,000	1,000	800
7th	2,000	800	600
8th	1,000	600	500
Total	53,000	25,900	13,650

(*) the amount to be paid for the Promotional Events is at the discretion of the Meet organisers, with the minimum indicated above.

- c. For the IAAF Grand Prix, the minimum total amount is US\$ 200,000 with the following minimum breakdown (the meetings organised before June 1st can divide this amount equally between all their events)

	Premium	Classic	Promotional
1 st	5,500	4,000	3,000
2nd	4,000	2,500	2,000
3rd	2,500	2,000	1,000
4th	2,000	1,000	800
5th	1,000	800	700
6th	800	700	600
7th	700	600	500
8th	600	500	400
Total	17,100	12,100	9,000

- d. For middle distance races (1500m and over), an allowance (500\$ for the Golden League & Super Grand Prix and 300\$ for the Grand Prix) will be ensured to all Athletes finishing in the positions 9-12.
- e. The prize money structure for each meeting, specifying the events belonging to the three levels and the allowance for middle distance events, shall be published on the official meeting website (if any) no later than 20 days prior to the competition.
- f. Any bonus for breaking a World Record in any meeting will be left to the discretion of the Meeting Organiser.

- g. Prize money must be paid 30 days after the IAAF's notification that doping controls made at the meeting are clear and after receipt of an invoice from the Athletes' Representatives.
- h. Upon request of the IAAF, a Meet Organiser shall provide, within two weeks, all proof of the payment he made according to these regulations but also to the deals signed by the athletes (or their representatives).

4.7 Medical

All meetings of the WAT shall have

- emergency structure and ambulance on site
- physiotherapy at the stadium and in the athletes' hotel

4.8 Anti-Doping

- a. IAAF Procedural Guidelines for Doping Control are to be strictly observed regardless of the meeting category. The facilities available at the doping control station must meet the following minimum requirements and the Meet Organiser guarantees the transport of the controlled athletes.
- b. The number of tests to be performed is
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| IAAF Super Grand Prix | 15 |
| IAAF Grand Prix | 12 |
- c. Additional tests shall be conducted:
- systematically when an Athlete breaks or equals a World and/or an Area Record (if more than one athlete breaks or equals the record in the same event, then all athletes concerned must be tested);
 - when requested by any Athlete who has broken a National Record.
- d. The samples shall be analysed by a WADA accredited laboratory designated by the IAAF:
- at the Organisers' expenses when the doping controls are conducted at the IAAF's request and in case of a World or Area Record;
 - at the Athlete's expenses, if the control is made at his/her request.
- e. EPO testing shall be conducted in accordance with the IAAF EPO Protocol.
- f. If the sample indicates the presence of a substance from the prohibited list, the athlete concerned shall be informed through his National Federation in accordance with the "test results management procedure". The Athlete will not be allowed to compete provisionally in further competitions until the resolution of the case as appropriate.

4.9 Media

The services to be provided to the press and photographers must comply with the "IAAF Media Guidelines". As regards media tribune facilities, result service and Internet, as well as press conferences, the following minimum requirements will have to be met:

	IAAF Golden League & Super Grand Prix	IAAF Grand Prix
Tribune	Covered and dedicated seats	Dedicated seats
Equipment	CIS + TV monitors + Tel/Fax	TV monitors (recommended) + Tel/Fax
Results service	Individual	Individual
Internet / Web	Meeting web site with start-lists and live results	Meeting web site with start-lists and results summary
Press releases	Regularly (5 minimum)	Regularly (4 minimum)
Photographers	WIFI or internet access via phone lines should be guaranteed to permit photos to be wired quickly from stadium Media working area	
Press conferences	Min 3	Min 2

4.10 Television

- a. Television production and service to broadcasters will have to comply with “IAAF Broadcast Guidelines”.
- b. Broadcast live or delayed of a minimum of 60 minutes) is compulsory in, at least, the host country
- c. Each meeting will have to provide the IAAF with a tape of the competition and allow the IAAF to use, free of charge, up to five minutes footage.

4.11 Logistics

Meeting headquarters hotel and transport facilities to be provided by the meeting organiser must comply with the following:

	IAAF Golden League & Super Grand Prix	IAAF Grand Prix
Hotel rating	4*	3*
Athletes transport	to/from hotel, stadium, airport, train station	to/from hotel, stadium, airport, train station
Delegates	Pool cars	Pool cars
Poles	Transport & storage	Transport and storage

4.12 IAAF Delegates and Staff

IAAF Delegates and Staff attending the meeting shall be given full co-operation and support. In particular the Meeting Organiser will be asked to guarantee the following minimum services and facilities: in principle accommodation, where indicated and unless otherwise specified, is intended at LOC cost for 2 nights.

	IAAF Golden League & Super Grand Prix	IAAF Grand Prix
Technical Delegate	Travel / Accommodation	Travel / Accommodation
Advertising Comm. *	Accommodation	Accommodation
Evaluation Del *	Accommodation	Accommodation
Media Delegate *	Accommodation	-
Doping Delegate *	Accommodation	Accommodation
Staff (n° of people) *	Accommodation (max. 5)	Accommodation (max. 2)
Office in Main Hotel	Yes (Tel+Fax)	-
Media Stands	3 places (2 ADSL high speed internet connections)	3 places (2 ADSL high speed internet connections)
VIP tickets for IAAF	At least 10	At least 5

* if appointed by IAAF

4.13 Insurance

Meeting organisers must sign a liability insurance policy, in favour of the athletes, officials and spectators, to cover risks for which they may be retained liable. Another insurance policy must be signed, in respect of the IAAF contribution, against the risks of cancellation. Athletes have to cover their own insurance for accident.

5. **Entry of Athletes into IAAF WAT Meetings**

5.1 Entry into these Meetings is strictly at the discretion of the Meeting Organisers.

5.2 Meeting Organisers may conduct negotiations for the appearance and promotion of Athletes as follows:

- Through the Athletes' Member Federation.
- Through duly authorised Athletes' Representatives.
- Directly with the Athletes (if the athlete doesn't have an athlete's representative) (formal invitations shall be made through the relevant Member Federations).

6. Technical

- 6.1 A WAT meeting shall be staged at one venue, during one day. Only Discus and Hammer throws events may be staged the same day or the day before at another venue.
- 6.2 Meeting Organisers have to send to the IAAF, at least three days before the relevant Meeting, the provisional Entry List and the Timetable.
- 6.3 Meeting Organisers have to make sure that the IAAF Competition Office receives by email the Start List after the Technical Meeting. If there is no Technical Meeting, it should be sent the day before the Meeting. The Start List shall include:
- Event
 - Athlete's Surname and Name
 - Athlete's Country Code
 - Athlete's Date/Year of Birth

In the events where the organisers stage more than one race or semi finals, the distribution of the Athletes must be detailed

The information must be sent to: E-mail: iaafwatresults@iaaf.org OR E-fax: +33 1 77 72 27 00

- 6.4 Meeting Organisers should send the results, immediately after the conclusion of each event and not at the end of the whole programme, to the IAAF. Also they should make sure that the IAAF is informed of any correction to the Results. The Results should include:
- Event
 - Athlete's Position
 - Athlete's Surname and Name
 - Athlete's Country Code
 - Athlete's Mark
 - Wind: 100m, 200m, 100H/110mH
 - Wind at each trial: LJ and TJ
 - Trials: HJ, PV, SP, DT, HT, JT

The information must be sent to: E-mail: iaafwatresults@iaaf.org OR E-fax: +33 1 77 72 27 00

- 6.5 IAAF should be provided with the name and contact details of the person who will be in charge of sending the Start List, Timetable and Results.
- 6.6 Whenever the Meeting Organiser stages more than one race per event and combines the times of the races, the same Athlete will not be allowed to run more than once.
- 6.7 For the events from 100m to 800m inclusive of a WAT Meeting, the allocation of lanes will be at the Meeting Organisers' discretion, who will take into consideration current performances and local conditions.
- 6.8 The competition order of the field events will be at the discretion of the organisers.
- 6.9 The maximum size of fields (including pace makers) should be as follows:
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| 800m | 11 Athletes | (if 9 lanes: 12 Athletes) |
| 1500m | 15 Athletes | |
| 3000m | 20 Athletes | |
| 5000m | 24 Athletes | |
| 3000m SC | 18 Athletes | |
| 10,000m | 26 Athletes | |
| Field events | 12 Athletes | |
- 6.10 Meeting organisers will provide IAAF, Media, athletes and their representatives, information about the participants of the meeting (including seeding). The Organiser is also recommended to stage a Technical Meeting on the eve of the competition.
- 6.11 The throwing events can be organised in another venue and/or the day before, however the technical rules must to be respected.

7. Scoring points

7.1 An Athlete can compete in as many WAT Meetings as he/she wishes, according to the normal invitation procedure.

7.2 For each WAT Meeting, points are allocated to the best 8 athletes in each event (12 for middle distances): (see also 7.5)

	IAAF Golden League & Super Grand Prix	IAAF Grand Prix
1 st	20 pts	10 pts
2 nd	16 pts	8 pts
3 rd	14 pts	7 pts
4 th	12 pts	6 pts
5 th	10 pts	5 pts
6 th	8 pts	4 pts
7 th	6 pts	3 pts
8 th	4 pts	2 pts

7.3 The scores of races at:

- 1000m shall count towards the 800m
- Mile shall count towards the 1500m
- 2 Miles shall count towards the 3000m
- 10,000m shall count towards the 5000m

7.4 The Organiser may, if he wishes, stage more than one of the events identified above. He must officially announce which event will be scoring.

7.5 For middle distances (1500m and over), the athletes finishing 9th to 12th will also score points

IAAF Golden League & Super Grand Prix:	3 pts
IAAF Grand Prix:	1 pt

7.6 If an athlete equals a World Record, he/she will be awarded a bonus of 3 points; if he/she improves the World Record, the bonus will be 6 points.

7.7 In addition to the WAT meetings, the Continental Associations can nominate, before October 1st, some area meetings (designated APM-Q) (see 1.4, 1.5 and 1.6).

At APM-Q, an event will award points towards the WAF on condition that athletes from at least three different countries take part.

The athletes will be able to score points for the WAF as follows:

1 st	6 pts
2 nd	4 pts
3 rd	2 pts
4 th	1 pt

Except for the Throwing Events, where the athletes will score points as in the Grand Prix category (see 7.2)

7.8 The Athletes cannot qualify for the WAF through participation at the APM-Q alone; they need to have scored points in at least 1 WAT Meeting.

7.9 In the 100m, 100m Hurdles and 110m Hurdles

The Meeting Organiser may stage qualifying heats and a Final. The heats should be staged consecutively in the Meeting Programme. Points will be awarded only in the Final.

OR

The Meeting Organiser may stage more than one race per event and combine the times of all the races. The races need not be staged consecutively in the Meeting Programme. Points will be awarded to the athletes with the eight fastest times

7.10 In the 200m, 400m, 800m, 400m Hurdles, and longer

The Meeting Organiser may stage more than one race per event and combine the times of all the races. The races need not be staged consecutively in the Meeting Programme. Points will be awarded to the athletes with the eight (twelve, see 7.2) fastest times.

8. Reporting Procedure

- 8.1 The Delegates nominated for the Meetings, shall be ready to give assistance to the Organiser and the Organiser shall guarantee full co-operation with the Delegates.
- 8.2 Following each Meeting, the Meeting Director and the designated Delegates shall, each, be required to complete a detailed report form concerning the staging of the Meeting and return this form to the IAAF no later than 10 days after the Meeting.
- 8.3 A copy of the Reports received by the IAAF, will also be given to the Meeting Director concerned.
- 8.4 The analysis of these reports will assist in the evaluation process.