

- (v) Withdrawal from the IWF Development Program;
- (vi) Financial sanctions, including fines;
- (vii) Exclusion from the competition;
- (viii) Expulsion from the IWF and from any of its bodies.

All measures and sanctions are taken without prejudice to any other rights of the IWF and of any other body of the IWF.

- 12.9 Any decision of the Disciplinary Commission may be appealed solely and exclusively to the Court of Arbitration for Sport, which will resolve the dispute finally in accordance with its Code of Sports-Related Arbitration in force at the time of the appeal. The Appellant shall bear the cost for such appeal.
- 12.10 Full Members, Provisional Members and Associate Members shall immediately notify the IWF Secretariat of:
 - (i) any sanctions they take against an individual or an entity listed under Article 12.2 above;
 - (ii) any violation of this Constitution, its By-laws, schedules and annexes, the Technical and Competition Rules & Regulations or any other regulations issued by the IWF, that they are aware of.
- 12.11 Any athlete who is suspended by the Disciplinary Commission shall automatically be considered suspended by the Full, Provisional and Associate Members.
- 12.12 Any official who is suspended, or declared temporarily or permanently ineligible shall automatically be considered suspended, respectively declared temporarily or permanently ineligible, by the Full, Provisional and Associate Members.

13 ELIGIBILITY

- 13.1 Eligibility of athletes to participate in competition is determined by the rules of the IWF. The IWF exercises jurisdiction over the eligibility of athletes to participate in IWF World Championships and other IWF Events.
- 13.2 For the Olympic Games, the IOC Eligibility Rule prevails.

(By-Law to 13)

14 MASTERS WEIGHTLIFTING

- 14.1 The IWF recognises Masters Weightlifting.
- 14.2 The IWF is recognised by IMGA (International Masters Games Association) as the sole controlling body for international weightlifting. The IWF recognises Masters Weightlifting competitions held within the World Masters Games held under the auspices of IMGA.
- 14.3 Masters WL is governed by way of an IWF Masters Board as elected from time to time by the Masters Membership.
- 14.4 Masters Weightlifting must follow the IWF Technical and Competition Rules & Regulations wherever applicable.

competitions or meetings organised under the IWF. A reminder is sent to every Member that has not paid its membership fee by February.

10.3 A fee must be paid to the IWF to organise IWF World Championships and IWF Events. It must be deposited with the IWF together with the candidature. The fees are as follows:

- IWF World Championships, minimum Twenty-Five thousand US dollars (25,000 USD) – not inclusive for TV and advertising rights
- IWF Junior World Championships, minimum Ten thousand US dollars (10,000 USD) – not inclusive for TV and advertising rights
- World Masters Championships, minimum Fifteen thousand US dollars (15,000 USD) – all rights included
- IWF Youth World Championships – minimum Five thousand US dollars (5,000 USD) – not inclusive for TV and advertising rights
- Fees for other IWF Events to be decided by the Executive Board.

The fees are non-refundable for the successful candidates. Within thirty (30) days after the decision of the Executive Board, the full deposited fee shall be reimbursed to the unsuccessful candidates.

BY-LAW TO 13 ELIGIBILITY

- 1 A condition of participation for a given country is that an athlete must hold the citizenship of that country, proven by an official document issued by such country (such as passport). In the case of double or multiple citizenship, proven by an official document issued by such country (such as passport), any athlete may participate in IWF Calendar Events and may represent not more than one (1) country within a period of twelve (12) months. In case a country does not issue its own passport or any similar document, for the determination of nationality the IWF accepts the applicable rules of the UN and/or IOC.
- 2 An athlete residing in a foreign country may only participate in competitions organised in that country if he or she has an authorisation from his or her Member Federation.
- 3 An athlete may represent a new country in international competitions provided that: (i) the athlete obtains the citizenship of that new country, and (ii) the athlete gets the approval of the Member Federation he/she is currently representing, the approval of the Member Federation he/she wishes to represent and the approval of the IWF. If the athlete cannot get the approval of the Member Federation he/she is currently representing, then the athlete has to wait for a period of one (1) year (to be counted from the date of the request for approval) before being automatically authorised to represent the new Member Federation. In the case of a second or further change of citizenship, the condition of participation in international events is four (4) years' of new citizenship, including one Olympic Games.