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1. AUTHORITY

These By-Laws are made under Clause 5.15 of the OMA Constitution, are not part of the OMA Constitution and are subordinate to the Constitution.

- 1.1 The By-laws provide further detail or expand on elements of the Constitution or address matters not specifically dealt with in the Constitution, and should be read in conjunction with the OMA Constitution and Policies, and WMA Competition rules and technical specifications.
- 1.2 Any By-Laws shall be approved or altered by a simple majority of those present and entitled to vote at an Assembly General Meeting.

2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 All names and terms used in these By-Laws have the same meaning as those defined in the Constitution:

Member means an organization or association representing masters athletes of a country, nation or territory which is a registered Member of OMA under Clause 6 of the Constitution.

Associate Member means an organization or association representing masters athletes of a country, nation or territory which is a registered Associate Member of OMA under Clause 7.1 of the Constitution.

Association also means Oceania Masters Athletics.

Championships means the biennial Oceania Region Masters Athletics Championships that include Track & Field, Road Walk, Cross Country and Road Running events.

Constitution means the Constitution of Oceania Masters Athletics Inc.

Local Organising Committee means the committee specifically established to plan and organise an OMA Championships on behalf of a Member or Associate Member.

OMA means Oceania Masters Athletics.

WMA means World Masters Athletics.

Island Member or Associate Member means any Member or Associate Member of OMA other than Australia and New Zealand.

3. MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHAMPIONSHIP FEES

- 3.1 There are no joining fees or annual membership fees payable by Members and Associate Members to the Association.
- 3.2 The amount of any voluntary financial contribution from larger Members to assist in the running of the Association, its method of determination and the method of its payment shall be determined from time to time by Council and specified in the OMA Policies.
- 3.3 The Member or Associate Member hosting the OMA Regional Championships is required to charge each masters athlete competing in the Championships an OMA Participation Fee.
- 3.4 The amount of the Participation Fee for each athlete competing at the OMA Championships shall be determined from time to time by Council and specified in OMA Policies.
- 3.5 OMA may require the payment of a Sanction Fee payable to OMA for the hosting of the Oceania Regional Championships. The amount of the Sanction Fee or the circumstances where it would not be required for any particular Championships will be determined by the OMA Council.
- 3.6 Members or Associate Members shall facilitate the payment of the OMA Championship Sanction Fee, and competitor Participation Fees collected on behalf of OMA by the Local Organising Committee under their jurisdiction within one month of completion of the Championships.

4. COMMUNICATION

- 4.1 The OMA Council shall, via individual members or the OMA Secretary, establish and maintain communication, and liaise with, other athletic bodies, local, national, or regional, to ensure that optimum information on world and regional masters athletic activities is forwarded to all masters athletes within the Oceania Region, and to ensure that all athletic bodies are kept aware of administrative developments and performance levels in the masters sphere.
- 4.2 It will be a responsibility of each member of Council to inform his or her Athletic Association or Organisation of OMA activities, and to establish good relations with such bodies.

5. OMA FLAG

- 5.1 The Council has adopted the following as the Official Flag of OMA to be flown at the OMA Championships.

6. MEMBERSHIP OF OMA

- 6.1 In addition to the masters athletics organisations in Australia and New Zealand any eligible athletics organization representing masters athletes in the Pacific Region – country, territory, dependency or colony that is an Member of OAA is entitled to OMA Membership.

