RULE 7
Athletes' Representatives

(Rule in force as from 1st May 2011)

1. Athletes may use the services of an Athletes’ Representative to assist them in the negotiation of their athletics programme and in such other matters as they may agree. Alternatively, athletes may negotiate their own Athletics programmes.

2. Athletes in the IAAF Top-30 List in a standard event as of the end of a calendar year shall not, during the following year, enter into or extend an agreement to use any person in respect of the above services who is not an Athletes’ Representative.

3. Members, acting reasonably, shall be responsible for the authorisation and recognition of Athletes’ Representatives. Each Member shall have jurisdiction over Athletes’ Representatives acting on behalf of their athletes and over Athletes’ Representatives acting within their Country or Territory or over Athletes’ Representatives who are nationals of their Country.

4. To assist Members in this task, the Council shall publish Regulations governing Athletes’ Representatives. The Athletes’ Representative Regulations shall provide for mandatory requirements to be included in each Member’s regulations governing Athletes’ Representatives.

5. It is a condition of Membership that each Member includes a provision in its constitution that all agreements between an athlete and an Athletes’ Representative shall comply with the Rules and the Athletes’ Representative Regulations.

6. An Athletes’ Representative shall have integrity and good reputation. If required to do so, he shall demonstrate sufficient education and knowledge for the activity of Athletes’ Representative by successfully completing an examination established and organised in accordance with the Athletes’ Representative Regulations.

7. Each Member shall annually provide to the IAAF a list of all Athletes’ Representatives that it has authorised or recognised. The IAAF shall annually publish an official list of all Athletes’ Representatives.

8. Any athlete or Athletes' Representative who does not comply with the Rules and Regulations, may be subject to sanctions in accordance with the Rules and Regulations.