IJF Rule Changes

1. Referee and Judges.

Only one referee on the mat and one referee at a video check table and a radio communication assisted by a referee commission member will judge the fights. A rotation system will be implemented for the Referees. The IJF Jury will interfere only when they consider it to be necessary.

3 categories will be established with a category up and down system to be updated every year.

A referee ranking list will be established.

(NB Dave has heard that the EJU will use three referees in the prelims and only one in the final block.)

Technical Directorate Decision

That JNZ retains its existing system to support our newer/lower graded referees and only use the one referee if we are short and then only if they are IJF B & A. (NB this was done at the North Islands Wanganui last year).

CARE system will continue to be monitored by the Referee Commission.

2. Techniques Values

-IPPON: to give more value « to take into account only the techniques with real impact on the ground on the back». (Not rolling UKEMI)

Landing in the bridge position: All situations of landing in the bridge position will be considered Ippon.

Technical Directorate Decision

This has been adopted

3. Penalties

There are three Shidos in a match, and the fourth Hansokumake (three warning and then disqualification)

Technical Directorate Decision

This has been adopted

4. Shidos

Shidos do not give points to the other fighter, only technical scores can give points on the scoreboard.

Technical Directorate Decision

This has been adopted

5. At end of normal fight time

At the end of a match, if score is equal, the one with less shido wins.

Technical Directorate Decision

This has been adopted

6. Golden Score

If match continues to golden score (because of perfect equality), the first to receive a shido loses, or the first to score technically will win.

Technical Directorate Decision

This is adopted for Seniors, Juniors & Cadets but that we will retain existing Golden Score time limits for Boys & Girls and Masters.

(NB existing special rules for Boys & Girls to be retained eg arm around the neck and drop sieonage).

7. Should be penalized with shido:

-Breaking the grip with 2 hands is prohibited.

-To voluntary pull out the jacket out of the belt.

-Cross gripping should be followed by an immediate attack. Same rule as for the belt gripping.

-The referees should immediately penalise the fighters who do not engage in a quick Kumi Kata grip.

- In case of breaking the grip, it must be followed by an immediate attack.

-It is prohibited to hug the opponent for a throw (Bear hug).

Technical Directorate Decision

These have been adopted

8. Should be penalized with Hansoku-make:

- All attacks or blocking with one or two hands or with one or two arms below the belt in Tachi-waza.

Technical Directorate Decision

This has been adopted

9. Moving off the contest area

Strict application of the rule.

Technical Directorate Decision

This has been adopted

10. Osae-Komi:

- Will continue outside of the contest area as long as Osae-Komi was called inside

- Osae-Komi scores 10 seconds for Yuko, 15 seconds for Waza-Ari, and 20 seconds for Ippon

- Kansetsu Waza and Shime Waza initiated on the contest area can be maintained even if the fighters are outside the contest area.

Technical Directorate Decision

These have been adopted

11. Cadets – U 18

Kansetsu Waza authorized for Cadet

Technical Directorate Decision

Decision has been deferred until discussion at next Technical Directorate meeting.

12. The Bow

When entering the tatami area, fighters should walk to the entrance of the contest area at the same time and bow into the contest area together. The fighters should not touch each other's hand BEFORE the start of the fight

Technical Directorate Decision

That we retain our existing policies.

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13. Duration of Contests

- No time limit for Golden Score except for Boys & Girls and Masters (ie Hanteï is cancelled for other division). (NB the IJF will review this if need and will change it if it causes any problems.)

Technical Directorate Decision

This has been adopted.

14. Weigh in:

The athletes weigh in will be scheduled the day before the competition at 19:00. A weigh in will be operated the morning of the competition, during the Judogi control, prior to the first fight in order to assess the impact of this new decision on the weight of the athletes during the competition. If the collected data require further experimentation, then it will be maintained. A procedure will be implemented when a fighter has a weight over a certain weight tolerance percentage. Within his category (weight to be determined with sport doctors) a medical check may be done.

Technical Directorate Decision

Decision has been deferred until discussion at next Technical Directorate meeting.