

Balkan Masters Athletics

Statistics Committee Regulations

SECTION A – Scope and Purpose

A.1. BMA Statistics Committee (BMA-SC) is a group of masters athletes coordinated by the Technical Director of BMA in order to perform the tasks and responsibilities mentioned in this document.

A.2. BMA-SC members cooperate, exchange data and provide data whenever needed for BMA activities or any other National Federation of Masters Athletes.

A.3. BMA-SC maintains and updates the following records lists:

A.3.1. **BAMACS Records** – list of records for Balkan Veterans Athletics Championships STADIA (Outdoor)

A.3.2. **BAMACi Records** – list of records for Balkan Veterans Athletics Championships Indoor

A.3.3. **Balkan Outdoor Records** – list of records for outdoor events (any Outdoor competition a Balkan Masters Athlete participated)

A.3.4. **Balkan Indoor Records** – list of records for indoor events (any Indoor competition a Balkan Masters Athlete participated)

A.4. BMA-SC maintains the following statistics

A.4.1. **BAMACS Medals Statistics by Country** – number of gold/silver/bronze medals for each Country at each BMACS (outdoor) edition and the total number of gold/silver/bronze medals by Country for all BMACS editions.

A.4.2. **BAMACi Medals Statistics by Country** – number of gold/silver/bronze medals for each Country at each BAMACi (indoor) edition and the total number of gold/silver/bronze medals by Country for all BAMACi editions.

A.5. BMA-SC checks for consistency (age-groups, procedures etc) the results of BMACS and BAMACi championships. BMA-SC archives and keeps safe all the results of all BMACS and BAMACi edition.

A.6. BMA-SC maintains an accurate database of all masters athletes participating at BMACS and BAMACi championships (name, surname, date of birth, country, club etc).

A.7. With the support of National Federations BMA-SC maintains an accurate database of all masters athletes registered by Balkan Federations (name, surname, date of birth, country, club etc.). Periodically (before each BAMACS or BAMACi edition) each National Federation will update and announce to BMA-SC the list of their registered athletes.

SECTION B – Principles and Regulations

B.1. BMA-SC regulations are based on general rules and principles of WMA and EMA regulations. Specific cases and situations encountered by BMA in its activity raised also the necessity of specific rules.

B.2. Should any difference will exist between WMA and EMA regulations, BMA-SC will use the WMA regulations.

B.3. According to WMA procedures in case of WMA changes in regulations these will become effective starting with 1-st of January next year from the date issued.

B.4. The best, up-to-date procedures will be applied by BMA-SC with good will.

B.5. Correctly applying procedures and defining specific regulations is subject of debates between BMA-SC members.

B.6. Changes of the Regulations (this document) will be operated only by the vote “in favor” of all members (unanimously).

B.7. Errors in records and statistics will be corrected with no debates between members.

SECTION C – Current Records

C.1. Any results candidate as a record for any of the lists maintained by BMA-SC should be checked and approved by BMA-CS. The Regulation for approval is the one currently adopted by WMA at the beginning day of the Competition where the event was registered. Brief details and extracts of WMA regulations are presented below. For full regulations please consult WMA document [\[link\]](#)

- Only electronic timing candidates will be approved for the running events up to 1500m (included);
- Tail wind speed for 100m, 200m, short hurdles, long jump and triple jump (outdoor events) should be less than 2,00 m/s
- The exceptions are the combined events: heptathlon and decathlon. The total score is accepted even though some of the results had a tail wind of more than 2.0 m/s. The maximum limit is 4.0 m/s for any one event, but 2.0 m/s on average across all applicable disciplines.
- [\[Other relevant rules extracted from WMA regulations ...\]](#)

C.2. Age-categories for any BMA Competition will be determined according to WMA regulations. Age-category for any athlete is determined by the age of the athlete at the day the Competition begins. Age-category for an athlete cannot change during a Competition.

C.3. For the validation of records candidates and registration of records the actual age of the athlete at the day of the event record was set will be considered even if this may lead to a different age-category then the one athlete is registered for that Competition.

SECTION D – Existing Records

D.1. Existing records are updated following the rules described in this section.

D.2. Manual timing results (m-timing) are replaced by better electronic timing (e-timing) following the conversion rule of adding 0.24s for running events up to 200m (included) and 0.14s for 400m. For all other running events no conversion applies.

D.3. If an e-timing result is less than 0.48s for running events up to 200m (included) and 0.28s for 400m, in such a situation the e-timing record will be kept together with the m-timing record. All other e-timing records which are less valuable than the above rule will be dropped from the list.

D.4. Due to WMA regulations changes in calculating age-categories, existing records maintained by BMA-SC will be kept as they are with no age-category recalculation.

D.5. Age group for all records registered up to 31.12.2006 will be calculated according to old WMA rule using the year of birth (ex: Competition date = 10.05.1996, Birth date = 01.10.1931 then age group = M65). Age group for records registered after 01.01.2007 will be determined by the new WMA rule using the exact age at the first day of the competition.