

Protest/ Appeals Process

- TR 8.2 Protests concerning the result or conduct of an event shall be made within 20 minutes of the official announcement of the result of that event.
- TR 8.3 Any protest in the first instance shall be made *orally* to the Referee by the athlete or someone acting on their behalf. The Referee may decide the protest *or* refer it to the Jury of Appeal. To arrive at a fair decision the Referee should use any available evidence they feel is necessary. If the Referee makes a decision, there shall be a right of appeal to the Jury. The appeal to the Jury should only come after a decision by the Referee.
- TR 8.7 An appeal to the Jury of Appeal must be made within 20 minutes of the official announcement of the amended result of an event arising from the decision made by the Referee, or of the advice being given to those making the protest, where there is no amendment of any result.
- TR 8.7 The appeal to the Jury shall be in writing signed by a responsible club official on behalf of the athlete or team and shall be made within 20 minutes following the decision of the Referee and shall be accompanied by a €20 fee in cash which will be forfeited if the appeal is unsuccessful.
- TR 8.8 The Jury of Appeal shall consult all relevant persons, including the relevant Referee (except when their decision is to be fully maintained by the Jury of Appeal). If the Jury of Appeal is in doubt, other available evidence may be considered. If such evidence, including any available video evidence, is not conclusive, the decision of the Referee or the Chief Race Walking Judge shall be upheld.
- TR 8.9 The Jury of Appeal may reconsider a decision if new conclusive evidence is presented, provided the new decision is still applicable. Normally, such re-consideration may be undertaken only prior to the Victory Ceremony for the applicable event, unless the relevant governing body determines that circumstances justify otherwise.
- The Jury of Appeal shall consist of a representative of each of the five regions, three of whom will sit during the appeal.
- Advice will be obtained from a member of the Technical Committee when and if required.
- The decision of the Jury of Appeal shall be final and there shall be no further right of appeal.