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# COMPETITION MANIPULATION WATCH LIST 2022

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1. Starting 23 September 2022, the following Member Federations are added to the Competition Manipulation Watch List ('Watch List').
  - a. Albania
  - b. Armenia
  - c. Georgia
  - d. Kyrgyzstan
  - e. Moldova
  - f. Turkey
  - g. Uzbekistan

Please note the list reflects the high degree of risk of results manipulation within the Member Federation's territory and not the conduct of any individual representative from the above-named Member Federations. Any conduct related matters are for the Athletics Integrity Unit to investigate.

2. The World Athletics Competitions Department will now work with these Member Federations to improve and reform their procedures through education and awareness. Their position on the Watch List will be kept under review by the Council and the aim in time is for those Member Federations to be able to demonstrate that they no longer need to remain on this Watch List. International Technical Officials (World Athletics Referees) may also be appointed to officiate at certain competitions (see below).

### 3. Watch List Consequences

- a. Where a Member Federation is placed on this Watch List, it means that for the purpose of qualification (whether by Entry Standard or by World Rankings), to the World Athletics Championships Budapest 2023 (and the Olympic Games Paris 2024), will only recognise results achieved at the following competitions hosted by such Member Federations:
  - Official International or Area Championships
  - Competitions which form part of the following International Competition structures:
    - Diamond League
    - Continental Tour
    - World Indoor Tour
    - World Race Walking Tour
    - World Combined Events Tour
    - World Cross Country Tour
    - World Athletics Label Road Race

World Athletics will only recognise results from the above competitions starting from the date of notification of Council's decision that the Member Federation is to be placed on the Watch List.

- b. National Championships subject to a specific application to be submitted to World Athletics at least 30 days in advance ([competition@worldathletics.org](mailto:competition@worldathletics.org)), and to which additional proof of results will be required, and outlined at the moment a specific application is made.
- c. World Athletics reserves the right, at its sole discretion and if it so requires, to appoint up to a maximum of three International Technical Officials (World Athletics Referees) to officiate at any of these competitions at the cost of the host Member Federation on the Watch List.
- d. Results received at any other competitions held by the Member Federation on the Watch List in their territory will not be recognised and not recorded by World Athletics for all of its statistical purposes. This will be reflected in the qualification systems for the World Athletics Championships in Budapest in 2023 and the Olympic Games in Paris in 2024 and any other qualification system as relevant.
- e. Being on the Competition Manipulation Watch List will also impact the recognition of results for all World Athletics statistical purposes.