

**Rules 31.3.5 and 31.14.4 of the Competition Rules**  
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**(CR) 31. World Records**

**Submission and Ratification**

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31.3 An athlete (or athletes in the case of a relay event) who sets a World Record must:

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31.3.5 submit to doping control **at immediately after** the end of the event, **where the athlete has broken or equalled a World Record. No delays other than those identified in the Anti-Doping Rules (Appendix 5 –Article 5.4.4 (a)) shall be accepted. Doping controls for the ratification of a World Record shall** ~~to~~ be conducted in accordance with the ~~Rules and~~ Anti-Doping Rules ~~Regulations currently in force.~~ **and** the sample(s) ~~collected~~ shall be sent for analysis to a WADA accredited laboratory ~~and the result(s) sent to the Integrity Unit to be added to the other information required by the Rules and Regulations for ratification.~~ **as soon as possible after collection. Doping control samples collected for the ratification of World Records in endurance events from 400m upwards shall be analysed for Erythropoiesis Stimulating Agents (ESA). The doping control documentation (doping control form and corresponding laboratory results) shall be sent to World Athletics as soon as it is available and, ideally, together with the World Record Application Form which must in all cases be completed and dispatched to the Office within 30 days of the competition (see CR 31.6). The doping control documentation will be reviewed by the Athletics Integrity Unit and ~~if such testing results in a doping violation, or if such a testing is not conducted,~~ the performance will not be ratified **in the following circumstances:****

- a. if a doping control is not conducted, or**
- b. if the doping control has not been conducted in accordance with the Competition Rules or the Anti-Doping Rules, or**
- c. if the doping control sample is not suitable for analysis or has not been analysed for ESA (for endurance events from 400m upwards only), or**
- d. if the doping control results in an anti-doping rule violation.**

*Note (i): In the case of a Relay World Record, all members of the team must be tested;*

*Note (ii): If an athlete has admitted that, at some time prior to achieving a World Record, they had used or taken advantage of a substance or technique prohibited at that time, then, subject to the advice of the Athletics Integrity Unit, such record will not continue to be regarded as a World Record by World Athletics.*

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### **Specific Conditions**

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31.14 For World Records in Running and Race Walking Events:

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- 31.14.4 No performance will be ratified where the athlete has infringed Rule 17.3 of the Technical Rules nor in the case an individual event where an athlete has recorded a false start as allowed under Rule 39.8.3 of the Technical Rules.

**To be clear, when applying Rule 31.14.4 alone, no exception available under Rule 17.4 of the Technical Rules shall be applied.**