INTERNATIONAL MASTERS WEIGHTLIFTING ASSOCIATION

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The responsibility of the COMPETITION SPEAKER

via ZOOMLINK SATURDAY 24 FEBRUARY'24

09:30 AM CYPRUS TIME

19:30 PM CYPRUS TIME

The crucial role of the Competition Speaker



The Competition Speaker sets the tone of the competition by conveying the progress of the competition to the athletes, Team Officials, Technical Officials and the audience.



- converse fluently in English and in the local language
- experience in weightlifting competitions
- clear and concise delivery
- a good "microphone voice"
- ability to engage the audience



The Competition Speaker must ensure that the coach and the athlete understands when the athlete's name has been called up. He or she must become familiar with the correct pronunciation of the athlete's name and nation.



To do this it is best to ask the athlete or coach directly how the name is pronounced and to make notes accordingly.

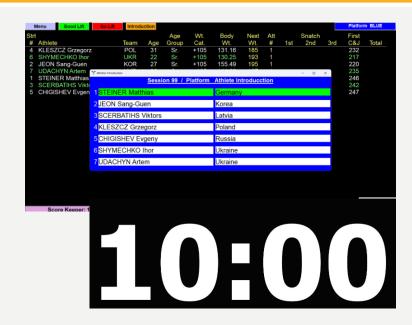


IMPORTANT BEFORE THE START: To ensure that water to drink is at the Speaker's table

<u>PRESENTATION 1</u> while the athletes are taken around (in front or in the back) the competition platform by the Technical Controller

- a) Welcomes all atthe championship title
- b)the date
- c)the session number, Age group(s) + Body weight category (ies)
- d) Each athletes full name and nation + Age group(s) + Body weight category (ies)
- e) Announcing 10 minutes until the actual START OF THE COMPETITION







<u>PRESENTATION 2</u> while the Technical Officials are taken around (in front or in the back) the competition platform by the Technical Controller

- 1. Full names and nation of:
 - a) Centre Referee, Side referee, Side Referee
 - b) Chief Marshall, Marshall
 - c) Technical Controller
 - d) Time Keeper
 - e) Doctor on Duty





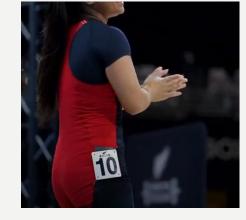
The duty of the Speaker is to make the appropriate announcements for the efficient running of the competition, for each attempt, including but not limited to BY ORDER:

- Instructions to the loaders to load the required weight
- The full name of the athlete
- The athlete's respective nation
- the number of the athlete's attempt
- Notification in advance of the name of the next athlete
- 1 or 2 minute time available
- Automatic increment if no higher weight has been declared yet
- The Referees' decision of "Good Lift" or "No Lift".



In our events we don't use BIP NUMBERS







BY A 1 MINUTE ATTEMPT:

to request the timekeeper to stop the clock when the athlete/Team Official changes the weight within the first 30 seconds

BY A 2 MINUTE ATTEMPT:

to request the timekeeper to stop the clock when the athlete/Team Official changes the weight UNTIL the LAST 30 seconds!!





IN ADDITION THE COMPETITION SPEAKER

A LIFTER RETIRING FROM THE COMPETITION BEFORE THE END OF THE SESSION, MUST BE ANNOUNCED BY FULL NAME AND NATION

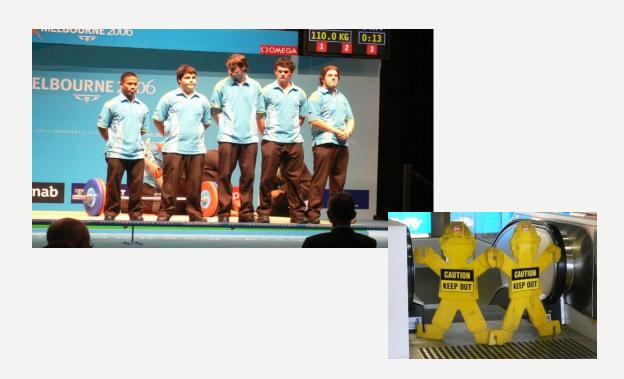
- keeps the audience informed of the progress of the competition and more in-depth information about the athletes.
- requests the timekeeper to stop the clock when the athlete/Team Official changes the weight
- Once the loaders leave the competition platform the speaker announces the new declared weight, Full name, nation and attempt of the lifter







If there is an injury, the competition speaker must call immediately the doctor on duty. Following also to instruct the loaders to stand in front of the injured athlete, blocking the audience and camera view of the athlete





If there is a problem, don't panic. Announce that YOU are taking a 'TECHNICAL STOP BY CLICKING THE 'TECH STOP' button.

Call for technical support to have the issue resolved.

This happens at the best and highest standard championships.

So don't beat yourself up!!

When you are ready announce that the technical issue has been resolved and

that the competition can continue.











The Competition Speaker announces the break time between the Snatch and the Clean & Jerk:

10 Minutes if more than 6 athletes are in a session

15 minutes if less than 6 athletes are in a session

5 minutes if 15+ athletes are in a session

10:00 15:00

5:00





In case of a Technical Stop or Jury Stop this must be announced.

The Technical Controller will communicate to the Competition Speaker the issue and this must be announced immediately so that everybody, especially the athlete and the coach, are aware and informed.

Jury Stop: if the Jury overturns a lift the Technical Controller informs the Competition Speaker, who must then announce the reason of the Jury's reversed decision, the full name of the athlete, the number of attempt and the weight on the barbell









TECHNICAL CONTROLLER CALLED TO JURY TABLE SHOWN ON SPEAKER'S SCREEN





TECHNICAL STOP FROMTHE JURY TABLE SHOWN ON SPEAKER SCREEN





TECHNICAL CONTROLLER
CALLED TO MARSHAL TABLE
SHOWN ON SPEAKER'S SCREEN

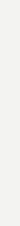


Victory Ceremony

Upon the conclusion of the competition of each category as soon as possible a Victory Ceremony is held according to the following procedure.

- 1) An erected 3 step medal podium with places for the medal winners is available.
- 2) All the medal winners, the medal bearers and the officials presenting the medals march in and take their place on the stage. The medal winners line up behind the erected medal podium
- 3) The Competition Speaker announces the medal winners starting from the 3^{rd} place (Bronze medal winner):
 - Full name
 - Nation
 - Age group/Body weight category
 - Total achieved
- 4) For all to rise for the National Anthem of.....
- 5) Next session based on time schedule









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The Time Keeper starts a 10 minute clock upon the session completion of athletes introductions

10:00

Technical Officials introductions take place during this 10 minutes time period





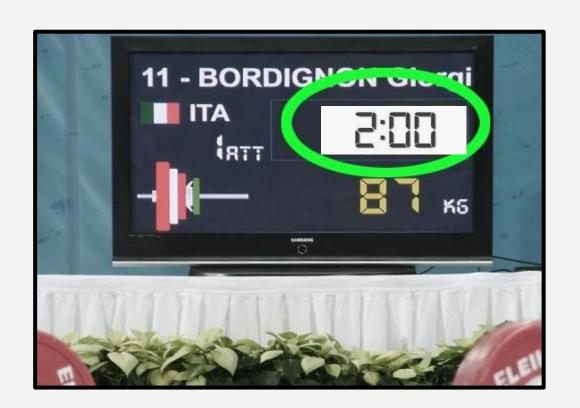
The Time Keeper starts the clock giving 1 minute the moment the Speaker finishes announcing the WEIGHT, NAME OF THE ATHLETE, or when the barbell is loaded and the Loaders have left the platform, whichever is last







The Time Keeper starts the clock giving 2 minutes if a lifter follows him/herself immediately to the next attempt

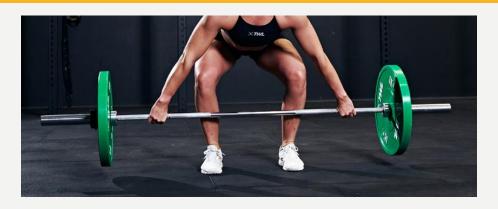




The Timekeeper stops the timing clock immediately as the barbell is raised from the competition platform







In case the barbell has been raised and replaced back on the competition platform before reaching the height of the knees, the Time keeper must restart the clock so that the time continues from the original 1 or 2 minute given.

The lifter is allowed to lift the barbell within his/her time given.





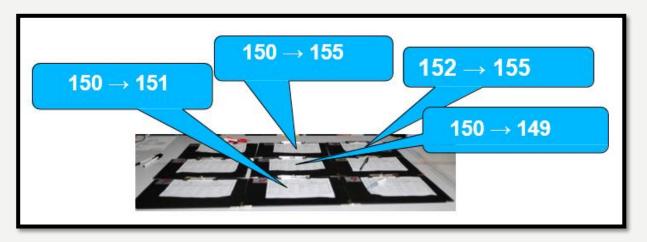
There are times when there are numerous changes of athletes (and weight) resulting in subsequent new clocks.

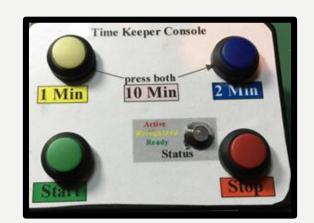
Pay attention to the original athlete as frequently after the changes the original athlete will be back up.

The athlete's original clock should be on the board.

- The clock will normally reset. Do not reset it unless you're sure it's not functioning correctly.
- Once the CLOCK starts on a different athlete, the first called athlete no longer gets a 2 minute clock.

It is the CLOCK STARTING, not the CALLING of the athlete that affects the clock!!









ON THE CLOCK THE TIME KEEPER MUST PRESS THE BREAK TIME BETWEEN THE SNATCH SESSION AND THE C&J SESSION







10:00





WEJUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING AND YOUR SUPPORT



SEE YOU AT OUR CHAMPIONSHIPS
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