



Effective January 1, 2017

Referee Code of Conduct

Personal Attire

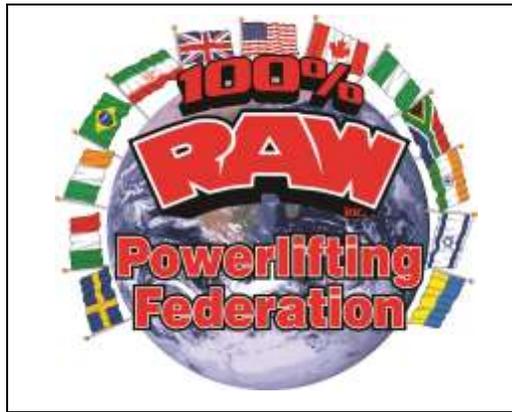
- 1. All referees must wear a 100% RAW official's shirt during every competition**
- 2. Official's shirt must be tucked in**
- 3. No headgear may be worn by an official while on the platform (including baseball caps, etc.)**
-Headgear which is religious in nature is permissible
- 4. Pants must be presentable and preferably black, gray or khaki**
-Shorts are not allowed
- 5. Sports coats for Sanction II events are preferred but not required**
- 6. Flip flops and sandals are not allowed.**

Personal Attire Regarding Sanction III Competitions

- 1. Full length dress pants (black, gray or khaki) must be worn**
-Shorts are not allowed
- 2. All officials must wear a dark colored sports coat while officiating**
-If temperature doesn't permit than officials will be permitted to drape their coat behind their chair

Meet Director Responsibilities

- 1. Meet director should attempt to coordinate the attire of the referees prior to the event**
- 2. Appoint an International official to be the Head Referee during the meet**
- 3. Meet directors should also be responsible for making sure these rules are adhered to and should contact Paul Bossi if officials are violating dress code.**



Personal Behavior on Platform

- 1. Officials should not express/show verbal or visual disagreement with any of the other referees while on the platform**
- 2. During the event, dialogue between officials should be kept to a minimum—barring an issue which requires immediate discussion**
-Officials are permitted to explain reasoning for a red light immediately after the lift, but communication beyond brevity is not allowed.
- 3. Officials must not partake in a confrontation with an athlete or coach regarding a decision while on the platform. All inquiries will be addressed at the head table by the Jury.**
- 4. Once the competition has begun seated officials are not permitted to offer suggestions (regarding technique or attempts) to the competing athletes.**
- 5. Officials/meet directors have the authority to remove an athlete/spectator from the event if they become confrontational and/or disrespectful**

General

- 1. All officials must be responsible for learning the yearly updates in both our Rulebook and the Referees Handbook**
- 2. All National and International officials must know the proper drug-testing procedures**
- 3. All officials must be responsible for knowing the rules of weigh-ins and the proper weight classes (i.e. exact kilogram to pound conversions).**
- 4. All officials agree to officiate (or be a part of a jury) for at least one meet per year in order to avoid the necessity of a re-certification.**

To be signed and dated by all 100% RAW Referees wishing to be certified for 2017 - 2018

I have read the above code of conduct and will adhere to all rules in every competition I attend. I am aware that if I am found not following these requirements that I will have my referee privileges revoked and risk indefinite suspension from the federation.

Referee Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Country: _____ Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____