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Subject: World Championship 2025 Secretary Report

The Secretary is presenting the World Championship 2025 Report. The present report aims to help all involved in a such great event as a World Championship, not only the participants as athletes, coaches, team leaders, representatives but also all WKSF, from Secretary to any other Commission.

The report is splitted by categories and is a vision of all prespective of Secretary before and during the event and also some feedbacks received during the event.

First words:

The World Championship 2025, hosted in Italy by the italian representative was the biggest event ever of Kettlebell Sport with a huge logistic to prepare and present a high standard level. With many details to be improved in the future, there are many out of control of WKSF that brings a sense of incapacity of response. Some issues at the venue, as toilettes, suppliers, bar, etc...were of venue's responsibility (payed by WKSF) as some misunderstandings, as: "WKSF didn't want to pay the air conditioning!", what is false because only inside the offices existed air conditioning (informed by the venue's responsables).

Venue:

It was an impressive venue with all conditions to host and receive as amazing event.

Venue vs Logistic:

The Secretary didn't realized any problem to get any information inside the venue, achieve to any department, etc..

Venue vs Layout:

The Warm Up Area should be exclusive to athletes and Coaches and wasn't. The Card Pass prepared to all Coaches were prepared to allow they to have exclusivity inside the Warm Up Area. It is something that must be prepared in every events of WKSF.

Check In:

WKSF must think (and hosters) to prepare an exclusive section to receive the Team Leaders, if possible, not an open space. The Secretary receive many athletes requesting the Card Pass what is not acceptable on a WKSF event. It must be rectified in the future events!

Weigh In:

It was the best organization on a Weigh Ins. With each (80%) of the Team Leaders was possible to organize and schedule the Teams Weigh In and everything went smooth and organized.

Also, with creating of a Live Chart of Weigh Ins, was possible to create a live dinamic between the Weigh In Judges and the Secretary. The Judges checked the athlete details as Body Weigh and Body Weigh Category and introduce it in the Protocols Spreadsheet.



This procedure saved a lot of time and work to the Secretary and also was possible to check any mistake on time.

Some Representatives to not warn the athletes about the timelines and brought an additional work to the Secretary to explain and also to lead with some athletes frustration.

Secretary vs Venue:

It is hard to be all day committed with focus and loud music, pressure, timelines, requests, etc...During last events the Secretary is requesting the possible logistic to be in a individual room, without persons and music. It is something that is necessary to prepare and think to the next WKSF events.

Teams Registrations:

The Secretary, to have more to control all registrations, suggest not 30 days to end the 1st timeline registration but 45 days previously. Receiving many teams at last day brings a higher stress to control, check and avoid wrong registration payments to our representatives.

Suggestion 1: 45 day previously to send the Team Registration

Teams Registrations vs Representative Knowledge

There are wrong registrations by a wrong knowledge of WKSF Regulations and also a lack of representative responsibility on the process. There are many teams without uploading athletes photos, doing payment or asking athletes to do the payment individually. Each country must get and control the team payment. All wrong registrations, changes, miss information, missing photos, etc...brings a huge stress to complete the Secretary tasks in time.

Team and Athlete Photos:

The Secretary request, every competitions, to the national representatives, team leaders, coaches to take photo of all athletes (or missing photo) with the national team t-shirt and avoid athletes with non sportive photos.

(Secretary is requesting every competitions to the Board Direction permission to not accept athletes without photo or Card Pass without national team t-shirt photo. This request has been denied!)

Secretary vs Judges

It is important to have a regular communication between all. Some problems of communication exist when request an additional information. We hope to everyone work on it to be easier the communication between all.

The Secretary realized the lack of accuracy filling the athletes registration control form, with some wrong information, with imperceptible information or lack of information, also some problems to deliver the forms in time.

Suggestion 2: Only the Head Judge must collect the judges forms, control the information and bring to the Secretary. Should not be allowed to any Judge to stand Up during the competition without the Head Judge permission/signal

The Secretary received several complains about a non-sportive conduct by an athlete during the competition. Seeing the behavior and receiving the "protest", the Secretary cannot be away of the situation as brings some suggestions:



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Suggestion 4: Yellow Card to any athlete that talk with judges during the set.

Suggestion 5: Blue Card to any athlete that protest or request any information to the judge, before, during or after the set with -20 reps of penalty on Classic 10', with -30 reps penalty on 12' competition and -50 reps penalty at any 30' or 60' competition.

Suggestion 6: Red Card to any disrespect behavior against judges and automatically disqualification.

The Secretary also received some suggestions about the Judges Behaviors. One of the situation is the constant warn by the judges to the athlete rectify the technique. The Judge is not a Coach, the Judge is there to judge what is a Valid or Invalid repetition.

Suggestion 7: Remove the Judges warns and judge announce if it is a "No Count".

Secretary vs Ceremonies

Secretary must do a better control with all multimedia and avoid the misunderstood of change country flags as happened with the England flag showing the GB flag (for international recognition of IOC all must be GB). However, it must be controlled every event, once the multimedia company change in every event. All other ceremonies were in time as in program (some changes happened by participation of athletes in multi disciplines).

Secretary vs Podium/ Ceremonies

Is a lack of respect with all event, athletes, coaches, team leaders, judges and spectators at home, an athlete miss the podium award ceremony, The Secretary prepared an Award Program with all scheduled times and several athletes missed the podium.

Suggestion 8: A non presence at the podium/opening ceremony represents -100 points at the Team Ranking.

Secretary vs Meeting

Not every teams were present at the Secretary Daily Meeting. It was very important to receive the support of each in this meeting to share very important daily information. Some representatives missed the meeting and had some doubts during the event, as timeline changes, last time merge/split categories, etc...

Thanks to all representatives that worked side by side with Secretary supporting and helping on this huge event with almost 800 registration.

Sincerely,

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