

Choosing the Problems for the Last Selective PF – Administrative Update

Status quo

In 2013, the IOC voted for a change of regulations that allows teams to (almost) freely choose the problem they would like to present in the last Selective Physics Fight. To facilitate this, the regulations state that “Teams must choose their problems for the last Selective Fight as soon as possible after the results of the preceding Selective Fight are official. “

When implementing this rule for the first time in the IYPT 2014, it turned out that this caused some administrative problems. In particular, the wording “as soon as possible” is not a clearly defined deadline. Furthermore, waiting for the official results of the fight (which are only available after *all* groups have finished) is not necessary. It suffices if teams finish their own groups before making the selection, as they only need to know which problem they presented in this round and therefore cannot choose in the last round.

Motion

The first sentence of the second point in the last paragraph of Section IX, subsection 2 of the Regulations (quoted above) should be changed to: “Teams must choose their problems for the last Selective Fight at the end of the preceding Selective Fight.”

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