

**INTERPRETATIONS**  
**FITA CONSTITUTION AND RULES**

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**Book 2, article 7.6.4.1 and Book 3, article 8.6.4.1**

*A Council Member has requested an interpretation on whether there should be any correction made by the organisers on the scorecard(s) after it is signed and submitted by the athlete. In some cases the total score is not correct and/or not the same on the scorecard and on the PDA.*

The Constitution and Rules Committee (“C&R”) finds the question presented to be within its terms of reference.

C&R has determined that the following interpretation is not contrary to the existing rules or Congress decisions.

**Response from the Constitution and Rules Committee:**

C&R unanimously agrees that Council’s intention was to make athletes responsible for the score card which they sign.

It is the athlete’s responsibility to calculate his scores correctly and organisers are not obligated to accept, verify or record scorecards which are incomplete or contain mathematical errors. An organizer should, in such instances, return the cards to the athletes if the error is identified at the time that the cards are being submitted by the athletes. An organizer, however, does not have an obligation, to review the scorecard when submitted or to identify errors on the scorecard. Acceptance by the organizers does not mean that the score as written is accepted.

If the score listed on the signed and submitted paper score card(s) (and in case of double scoring are the same on each card) is lower than the actual score, the athlete will be required to accept the (lower) score listed on the scorecard. If the PDA score is lower than the correct score on the scorecard, the athlete will be entitled to the higher score listed on the score card. If an athlete submits two scorecards with two different totals, the lower total will be used.

**FITA C&R Committee, 10 June 2011**

**Approved by the FITA C&R Committee, 10 June 2011**