



AMENDMENTS TO IFBB PRO RULES

At a meeting of the IFBB Pro Division, held at the Wellington Hotel in New York, NY, on Thursday, May 29, 2003, at which the following officials were present:

Wayne DeMilia	Chairman, IFBB Pro Division
Jim Manion	Vice Chairman, IFBB Pro Division Director, IFBB Pro Judging
Fairfax Hackley	IFBB Pro Division Official
Peter McGough*	Editor-in-Chief, FLEX Magazine
Jim Rockell	IFBB Pro Division Judge
Giorgio Tsoukalos	IFBB Pro Division Promoter
Steve Weinberger	IFBB Pro Division Promoter & Judge
Rob Wilkins	IFBB Pro Division Official
Dorian Yates	IFBB Pro Division Promoter

*Observer, no vote

the following amendments to the IFBB PRO RULES (2003 Edition) were approved:

AMENDMENT #1

THAT the following article be inserted into Article 14 (Discipline):

14.6 Public Comments:

Public comments (including, but not limited to, those made via print publications, websites, public gatherings or other public forums) by registered IFBB athletes or officials made against other athletes or officials, the IFBB or the sport in general, which are deemed personal, abusive, slanderous, libelous or prejudicial to the good image of the sport, are contrary to the IFBB Code of Ethics and will result in disciplinary measures being taken by the IFBB Pro Division against the person responsible for the comments.

Further, that this amendment shall have immediate force and effect.

AMENDMENT #2

THAT Article 9.1.1 (Qualifications for the IFBB Mr. Olympia) be amended to state that **the top six finalists from the current year's IFBB Mr. Olympia shall qualify for the next year's IFBB Mr. Olympia.**

Further, that this amendment shall have force and effect as of the 2003 IFBB Mr. Olympia.

**Note: Previously, the top ten finalists at the current year's IFBB Mr. Olympia were qualified for the next year's IFBB Mr. Olympia.*

AMENDMENT #3

THAT Article 9.5.1 (Qualifications for the IFBB Mr. Olympia - Additional Factors) be amended to **remove the two-year eligibility of the 2nd and 3rd-place finalists at the IFBB Mr. Olympia.**

Further, that this amendment shall have force and effect as of the 2003 IFBB Mr. Olympia.

**Note: Previously, the 2nd and 3rd-place finalists at the IFBB Mr. Olympia had a two-year eligibility to the IFBB Mr. Olympia.*

AMENDMENT #4

THAT Article 9.5.6 and Article 9.5.7 (Qualifications for the IFBB Mr. Olympia - Additional Factors) be amended to **remove the qualification to the IFBB Mr. Olympia of athletes placing 4th (where the top 3 finalists are already qualified) and 6th (where the top 5 finalists are already qualified).**

Further, that this amendment shall have force and effect as of the 2003 IFBB Mr. Olympia.

**Note: Previously, at events where the top 3 finalists qualified for the IFBB Mr. Olympia, if they were already qualified, the 4th-place athlete also qualified. At events where the top 5 finalists qualified for the IFBB Mr. Olympia, if they were already qualified, the 6th-place athlete also qualified. If the 4th and 6th place athletes were already qualified, no further athletes qualified.*

AMENDMENT #5

THAT Articles 27, 28, 29 and 30 (Judging Procedures) be amended to state that, **where there are more than 20 competitors, callouts may be up to 5 competitors at a time.**

Further, that this amendment shall have immediate force and effect.

**Note: Previously, callouts are limited to a maximum of 3 competitors at a time.*