This code was developed for the WTF International Referees (“IRs”) selected to officiate at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games in representation of the World Taekwondo Federation (“WTF”).

This code contains various duties and responsibilities of the IRs for their abidance from the time of appointment until the conclusion of the Olympic Games taekwondo competition, and in some cases beyond the end of the Olympic Games.
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By accepting an appointment to officiate at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games IRs warrant and represent that they fully understand their roles and responsibilities, and agreed to strictly abide by this code.
IRs representing the WTF at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games shall respect and abide by all the related rules of the WTF including but not limited to WTF Statutes, WTF Competition Rules and Interpretation, and the Regulations of Administration of International Referees. IRs shall officiate at the competition in a fair manner and impartial manner. IRs shall strictly abide by the following directives and prohibitions:
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IRs shall:

1. Be familiar with the Competition Rules and the guiding principles concerned.
2. Respect and treat every athlete, coach, and official equally in accordance with the Olympic Charter and WTF Statutes regardless of nationality, race, gender, ethnicity, or religious beliefs.
IRs shall:

3. Be positive role models for every athlete, coach, and official and promote fair play, sportsmanship, and courtesy at all times.
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IRs shall:

4. Ensure the safety of all athletes in close cooperation with the Games’ commission doctor.
IRs shall:

5. Not indulge in any subversive or unethical activities that will undermine the integrity of taekwondo and the WTF.
IRs shall:

6. Follow the on-spot IR guidelines on movement flow within the venue during the Games when they enter into or exit from the Field of Play. IRs shall report to the National Technical Official ("NTO") in charge of the Referees’ lounge whenever leaving the lounge.
IRs shall:

7. Accept any disciplinary actions taken by the WTF for any violation of provisions within the WTF rules and this code including but not limited to the cancellation of the appointment.
IRs shall NOT:

1. Engage in contact by any means with any athlete, team officials, Member National Associations officials, WTF Council Members and anyone related with any team or MNA before and during the Olympic Games.
IRs shall NOT:

2. Receive any money or gift from any athlete, team officials, Member National Associations officials, WTF Council Members and anyone related with any team or MNA before and during the Olympic Games unless reported to the WTF Referee Chairman. The WTF may summon an IR if it believes that the IR is suspected of participating in bribery.
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IRs shall NOT:

3. Express his/her own opinion on any issues related to taekwondo or the taekwondo competition of London Olympic Games through any means of communication without approval of the WTF Referee Chair before, during or after the Olympic Games.
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IRs shall NOT:

4. Post, relay/twit or deliver by any means his/her own opinion or the opinions of any others regarding taekwondo and/or the WTF through any means of media before, during and after the Olympic Games
5. Allow other people in the guest room during the training camps and Games period without reporting to the WTF Referee Chairman
IRs shall NOT:

6. Communicate with anyone excepted the designated supervising NTO once he/she has been called for officiating at the next match during the Olympic Games.
IRs shall NOT:

6. Communicate with anyone excepted the designated supervising NTO once he/she has been called for officiating at the next match during the Olympic Games.
7. Carry any type of mobile communications device, including but not limited to mobile phones, within the taekwondo venue during Olympic Games.
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