

TITLE 1: GOVERNMENT
DIVISION 9: MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

§ 9514. Authority of National Federations.

(a) Authority. For the sport it governs, a national federation may:

(1) Represent the Commonwealth in the appropriate international sports federation;

(2) Establish national goals and encourage the attainment of those goals;

(3) Serve as the coordinating body for athletic activity in the Commonwealth;

(4) Exercise jurisdiction over international athletic activities and sanction international athletic competition held in the Commonwealth and sanction the sponsorship of international athletic competitions held outside the Northern Mariana Islands;

(5) Conduct athletic competition, including national championships, and international athletic competition in the Commonwealth, and establish procedures for determining eligibility standards for participation in competition;

(6) Recommend to the corporation individuals and teams to represent the Commonwealth in the Olympic Games, the Paralympic Games, the Universiades, the Pacific Games (including the Pacific Mini-Games), the Micronesian Games, and other international multi-sport competitions; and

(7) Designate individuals and teams to represent the Commonwealth in international athletic competition (other than the Olympic Games, the Paralympic Games, the Universiades, the Pacific Games (including the Pacific Mini-Games) and the Micronesian Games) and certify, in accordance with applicable international rules, the eligibility of those individuals and teams.

(b) Replacement of national federation. A national governing body may not exercise any authority under subsection (a) of this section for a particular sport after another sports organization has been declared entitled to replace that national federation as the member of the corporation for that sport.

Source: PL 18-49 § 3(113) (May 7, 2014).