

# Status Quo for the IFS

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Due to an ongoing review of International Olympic Committee (IOC) International Federations and the IOC Executive Board accepting the implementation of a new recognition procedure for said federations, Sumo Fan Magazine has learned that the International Sumo Federation (IFS) in Tokyo, Japan has not been presented to the 2007 IOC Session for full

recognition of amateur sumo. The IFS does, however, retain its *provisionally recognised* status.

The next IOC Session is scheduled for 5-7 August, 2008 in Beijing, China just ahead of the Olympic Games in the ancient Chinese capital.

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