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GENERAL

The purpose of the “ISF Para Badminton Technical Rules and Regulations” is to provide standardized rules and regulations for all Para Badminton competitions. This document is set up in accordance with the ISF Statutes, the ISF Sport Policy, the ISF General Competition Regulations and BWF Rules.

This document is intended to ensure that all matters related to competitions are conducted in a fair and orderly manner. The specific objectives of this document are to:

1. Define and specify the **general conditions** under which participants can take part in the ISF Para Badminton events;
2. Determine the **delegation composition**;
3. Determine the **sport program**;
4. Determine the **technical rules**;
5. Set the **draw** procedure;
6. Set **protests and appeals** procedure.

Please note that the technical rules and regulations are applicable to Para Badminton ISF event in 2024.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

The competition will be run according to the ISF rules and regulations and BWF (Badminton World Federation) technical rules under the direction of the BWF. Any decisions over matters not mentioned in the present document will be taken by the BWF Technical Delegate for Para badminton.

- The ISF Badminton events are open to individuals/teams.
- The competition is categorized as: boy categories, girls categories, and mixed categories.

AGE CATEGORY

Year	U18* YEAR OF BIRTH
2024	2006-2007-2008-2009



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2. DELEGATION COMPOSITION

Each delegation will consist of:

- Head of delegation - mandatory
- Deputy Head of Delegation - optional
- Student athlete(s) - mandatory
- Team officials - mandatory
- Additional adults - optional
- Safeguarding officer - optional
- Young reporter - optional

HEAD OF DELEGATION (HOD)

- There is a mandatory amount of one (1) head of the delegation per registering delegation.
- The head of the delegation shall be the sole intermediary between the delegation and the Local Organising Committee, and the ISF.
- He/she may not combine the function with any other official role (i.e., coach, referee, etc.).

DEPUTY HEAD OF DELEGATION (Deputy HoD)

- The role of Deputy HoD is to assist the Head of Delegation.
- The presence of the Deputy HoD is not mandatory.
- max 1 Deputy Head of a delegation from 100 to 200 participants.
- max 2 Deputy Heads of a delegation from 201 or more participants.

ATHLETES

- All student-athletes must be enrolled as full-time students at a school in the country in which they represent.
- All student-athletes must be attending schools that provide general education and/or vocational education incorporating segments of general education.
- Only athletes, registered on the team's list handed in at the accreditation, are authorized to take part in this competition.
- All athletes, except those who have already been classified as Confirmed by the BWF, will undergo classification before starting the tournament.
- The National medical diagnostic form must be submitted to the registration system (ERAS) by August 23, 2024.

The following are *not* eligible to participate:

- Attendees of vocational schools only attend a school as a complement to their vocational training and are not full-time students with a segment of general education.
- Students enrolled at schools that provide sports training without any general education.

TEAM OFFICIALS

COACHES

- The presence of a coach is mandatory.
- Teams or individuals cannot participate in the competition without the presence of a coach.
- Each delegation shall enter a minimum of one (1) coach per gender.



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OTHER TEAM OFFICIALS

- The function of other team officials can be: doctor, trainer, physiotherapist, statistician, team manager etc.
- The presence of the other team officials is not mandatory.
- The function of the other team officials must be specified during the registration process.
- Any person not specified during registration or exceeding the limit will not be considered part of the team.

ADDITIONAL ADULTS

- The function of additional adults can be: interpreter, security personnel, ministry representatives, media, etc.
- The presence of additional adults is not mandatory.
- The function of each additional adult must be specified during the registration process.
- Any other additional persons not specified during registration or exceeding the limit specified in this document will not be considered part of the official delegation and will not be accredited by the LOC.

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

The role of the safeguarding officer is to provide support to the delegation in any situation related to safety.

YOUNG REPORTER

Each delegation may bring additional young students who will take the role of a young reporter during the ISF event.



3. SPORT PROGRAM

EVENTS

- Boys and Girls
 - Team
 - Single

4. TECHNICAL RULES

RULES

All matches will be played in accordance with the ISF rules and regulations and the BWF Para Badminton General Competition Regulations.

CLASSIFICATION OVERVIEW

Classification is undertaken to:

- define who is eligible to compete in Para sport and consequently who has the opportunity to reach the goal of becoming a Paralympian.
- group Players into Sport Classes together in tournaments and aims to ensure that the impact of Impairment is minimised and sporting excellence determines which Player or team is ultimately victorious.
- allocate a Sport Class Status (which indicates when Players should be evaluated and how their Sport Class may be challenged).

CLASSIFICATION PROCESS

- Classification for this tournament will take place on the day prior to the start of the competition.
- Participants will be required to submit medical documentation as outlined in the registration process and upon entry to the tournament.
- Any participant who is already on the BWF Master Classification List with a 'C' confirmed status and meets the other age group eligibility criteria will not need to go through classification prior to the start of the tournament.
- Classification at this tournament is not considered an official BWF classification. Any participants who go on to compete at a BWF sanctioned tournament will be required to go through the official BWF classification process.

COMPETITION FORMAT

- The competition format for all events shall depend on the final number of entries in the tournament.
- The preferable format shall be a group stage followed by a knockout round.
- The number of groups, size of the group, qualification process and format shall be decided by the Referee in consultation with the BWF Technical Delegate.
- At the conclusion of the group stage, a second round of draw shall be conducted for the knockout stage.



RANKING SYSTEM AFTER GROUP PHASE

Ranking order in the groups:

- If two players/pairs have won the same number of ties, the ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.
- If three or more players/pairs have won the same number of ties, ranking will be decided by the total number of matches won. If this leaves two players/pairs equal, ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.
- If three or more players/pairs have won the same number of ties and the same number of matches, ranking will be decided by the difference between total games won and total games lost, with greater difference ranked higher. If this leaves two players/pairs equal, ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.
- If three or more players/pairs have won the same number of ties and the same number of matches and have the same difference between total games won and total games lost, ranking will be decided by the difference between total points won and total points lost, with greater difference ranked higher. If this leaves two players/pairs equal, ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.
- If three or more players/pairs have won the same number of ties and the same number of matches, have the same difference between total games won and total games lost, and have the same difference between total points won and total points lost, ranking will be decided by drawing lots.

Knock-out stage:

- The draw for the knock-out stage shall be conducted at a Team Managers' Meeting held immediately after the conclusion of the group stage.
- The knock-out stage shall be a knock-out draw with winning players/pairs progressing to the next round until a winner is found.



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5. DRAW

The BWF Technical Delegate, in consultation with the Referee, shall seed the players based on previous ISF and BWF tournaments, national ranking of players and other criterion.

- The draw(s) shall be carried out by the Referee and the BWF Technical Delegate during the Team Managers meeting(s) and shall be based on the seeding report.
- After the conclusion of a group stage, if any, the draw of the knockout round shall be based on the results of the group stage and the seeding report of the tournament.
- The Referee, in consultation with the BWF Technical Delegate may apply separation of entries as required and when possible, so that Players/Pairs from the same country do not meet each other in the group stage.
- Depending on the number of participants and the decision of the Referee only winners of groups and players/pairs finishing second in the groups will get to the knockout stage.

6. PROTESTS AND APPEALS

Appeals involving results or any matter not concerning discipline will be heard by the Jury Appeal. The appeal must be lodged within 30 minutes of the incident and be submitted in English. The payment of amount 50€ must accompany the appeal and is to be paid to LOC in cash. This payment will be refunded only if the appeal is upheld or at the discretion of the Jury Appeal. In the case of an unsuccessful appeal, the payment will be retained by the ISF.

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