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**Regulations on International Referees  
in Para Taekwondo Kyorugi**

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## REGULATIONS ON INTERNATIONAL REFEREES IN PARA TAEKWONDO KYORUGI

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## Article 1

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### Objective

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The objective of the WTF Regulations on International Referees in Para Taekwondo, hereinafter referred to as “Regulations”, are to efficiently administer International Referees in Para Taekwondo of World Taekwondo (WT) and shall serve as bylaws of Article 2 (Application) and Article 22 (Technical officials) of the WT Para Taekwondo Competition Rules.

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## Article 2

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### Administration

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The administration of the International Referees in Para Taekwondo shall fall under the sole jurisdiction of WT.

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## Article 3

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### Qualification

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World Taekwondo shall grant the title of “International Referee in Para Taekwondo” (IRPT) and certify those who have completed the International Referee Para Taekwondo Seminar and passed the examinations set by WT.

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## Article 4

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### International Referee Para Taekwondo Seminar

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The International Referee Para Taekwondo (IRPT) Seminar shall be conducted by WT and the outline of the seminar is as follows:

1. Qualification for application, the applicant shall:
  - 1.1 Be certified WT International Referee
  - 1.2 Be the holder of a WT Licence
  - 1.3 Be up to date with International Referee Fees
  - 1.4 Have a good command of the English language, oral and in writing
  
2. General Information
  - 2.1 Attendance fee: Prescribed amount of attendance fee shall be paid by the applicant.
    - 2.1.1 WT may discount or make exemption from attendance fee from developing countries based on the request from the President of the pertinent Member National Association.
  
  - 2.2 Round trip airfare and accommodation charges of room and board shall be borne by the participant.
  
  - 2.3 Curriculum
    - 2.3.1 WT Statutes and other regulations including Code of Ethics
    - 2.3.2 WT Para Taekwondo Competition Rules
    - 2.3.3 WT Athlete Classification Rules
    - 2.3.4 Basic concepts of Para Taekwondo Refereeing
    - 2.3.5 Para Taekwondo competition procedures
    - 2.3.6 Electronic scoring equipment
    - 2.3.7 Para Taekwondo scoring practice
    - 2.3.8 Para Taekwondo Referee hand signals
  
  - 2.4 Total hours of education: 32 hours
  - 2.5 Examination
    - 2.5.1 Written examination
    - 2.5.2 Scoring test
    - 2.5.3 Hand signals
    - 2.5.4 Interview
    - 2.5.5 Physical fitness test
  
  - 2.6 Registration documents
    - 2.6.1 International Referee in Para Taekwondo application form
    - 2.6.2 Copy of International Referee licence

2.6.3 WTF licence number

2.7 WT may limit the number of applicants to the International Referee Para Taekwondo Seminar.

3. Certification

The participant must pass the examination at the International Referee Para Taekwondo Seminar in order to become a certified International Referee in Para Taekwondo (IRPT). The examination is composed of a written test that accounts for 30% of the total score, and a practical test that accounts for 30% of the total score, and a scoring test that accounts for 40% of the total score. To pass the examination, a participant must get an average of 75%. In the case the participants scores lower than 40% on any of the tests the participant will fail and will not become a certified International Referee in Para Taekwondo. A written notice on the results will be sent to each participant and the pertinent WTF member national association.

4. Activation

As of 2018 all International Referees officiating in Para Taekwondo must have successfully completed the International Referee Para Taekwondo Seminar and become certified International Referees in Para Taekwondo.

5. International Referees in Para Taekwondo uses the same Referee Uniforms as the International Referees.

5.1 International Referees in Para Taekwondo will be given a breast pocket badge to mark that they are certified International Referees in Para Taekwondo. This badge shall not be sold, rented or lent to others.

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## Article 5

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### International Referee Para Taekwondo Refresher Course

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1. International Referee Para Taekwondo Refresher Course will be held following amendments to the WT Para Taekwondo Competition Rules or every two (2) years ORPT shall attend an International Referee Para Taekwondo Refresher Course to ensure that referees have the rules fresh in mind. The International Referee Para Taekwondo Refresher Course is also intended to improve the quality of IRPT and it is recommended that IRPT attend the courses regularly.
2. The International Referee Para Taekwondo Refresher Course is considered as an International Referee experience point for the successful participants and course instructor.
3. All participants who successfully complete the Refresher Course will be given a participation diploma.



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## Article 6

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### Selection and assignment

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1. Selection and assignment of International Referees in Para Taekwondo for events promoted by WT shall be conducted by WT and WT Para Taekwondo Referee Committee. The following is taking into consideration when making the selections:
  - 1.1 Refereeing experience
  - 1.2 Referee evaluation
  - 1.3 Gender equality
  - 1.4 Global spread
2. For WT recognized events sanctioned by WT the pertinent member national association or organizing committee are entitled to select the required number of International Referees in Para Taekwondo. WT has final approval of the selection and shall receive a list of selected referees no later than thirty (30) days prior to the event.
3. WT shall inform Continental Unions and Member National Associations of the International Referees in Para Taekwondo residing in the pertinent continent and country upon request.

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## Article 7

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### Duty

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1. The International Referees in Para Taekwondo (IRPTs) shall abide by all the rules of WT with pride and dignity.
2. IRPTs are required to be knowledgeable of the WT Para Taekwondo Competition Rules, scoring and the guiding principles of refereeing.
3. The IRPTs shall officiate Para Taekwondo events impartially in consideration of the fact that decisions made by the IRPT shall be conclusive.
4. The IRPTs shall wear the uniforms designated by WT when officiating at events
5. The IRPTs shall make every effort to ensure that there will be no unnecessary delay of a contest as a result of his/her officiating, and shall use prescribed hand signals.
6. The IRPT shall inform both the pertinent Member National Association and WT of any change in his/her contact information.
7. IRPTs who have been selected to officiate in a WT promoted event must participate unless there is a prior written notice with a justifiable reason for absence. IRPTs are required to attend the referees' meeting and training prior to the start of competition.

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## Article 8

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### Disciplinary Measures

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1. In the case that an IRPT has committed any of the following misbehavior, he or she shall be subject to disciplinary actions as prescribed in the WT Rules.
  - 1.1 Fabrication of judgement  
If it is found that an IRPT has intentionally fabricated his or her judgement at any international taekwondo event promoted or recognized by WT, the certification of the pertinent IRPT shall be withdrawn. Even if it is proven that the misjudgment has been committed not by intent, the IRPT may still be subject to disciplinary measures.
  - 1.2 Receiving money or valuables  
In cases where an IRPT is found to have committed any behavior that brings about disgrace to WT, such as but not limited to receiving money or valuables or any other mischief in connection with a judgement, the pertinent IRPT shall be disciplined by having the certification as a IRPT withdrawn or other forms of disciplinary measures.
  - 1.3 Violation  
IRPT will be subject to disciplinary sanctions stated in Article 8 of these Regulations in cases whereby IRPT violate the duties prescribed in Article 7 of these Regulations.
2. WT shall notify the concerned IRPT and pertinent member national association and continental union regarding its decision on disciplinary measures against an IRPT.

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## Article 9

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### Effectuation

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These Regulations shall come into effect as of June 22, 2017 following the approval of the WT Council.

Article 4.4 shall come into effect as of January 1, 2018