

Competition Regulations of the International Badminton Association for Disabled

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1 Tournament definitions

- 1.1 The IBAD recognises the following categories of tournaments, international matches and other events:
 - 1.1.1 World Championships
 - 1.1.2 Continental Championships
 - 1.1.3 International Tournaments
 - 1.1.4 Multi-Sport Events: official international sporting events containing several different sports including badminton for the disabled (e.g. Paralympics, FESPEC games etc.)
 - 1.1.5 Exhibition events: any event involving exhibition or demonstration of the game without competition for title or prize money
 - 1.1.6 International matches: any fixture between Member Associations
 - 1.1.7 National tournaments
 - 1.1.8 Other tournaments or events: any tournament not falling into one of the above categories

2 Sanction

- 2.1 For the tournaments and events defined above in Regulation 1.1.1 to 1.1.4, the Member Association must apply for and receive the sanction of the Council at least twelve months before the event is due to be held.
- 2.2 The application must contain an assurance that the tournament will be organised according to the regulations as set out by the IBAD.
- 2.3 The application must contain details of the following:
 - 2.3.1 Proposed dates of the tournament
 - 2.3.2 Accommodation - suitability for wheelchairs
 - 2.3.3 Venue - accessibility etc.
 - 2.3.4 Number of courts; equipment to be used
 - 2.3.5 Estimate of costs
 - 2.3.6 Details of officials including Referee
 - 2.3.7 Maximum number of participants that can be accepted
- 2.4 Council has power to refuse sanction of a proposed tournament or event. If sanction is refused, the reason shall be stated to the Member Association applying.

- 2.5 A calendar for the next two years shall be published on a regular bases, containing names and dates of all IBAD-sanctioned events as well as any other competition the IBAD has been informed of by a Member Association.
- 2.6 The IBAD can have no jurisdiction in connection with any playing event promoted directly or indirectly by unaffiliated organisations.

3 Eligibility and entries

- 3.1 Players must be permitted to enter for all the events for which they are qualified and no restriction in this respect shall be permitted.
- 3.2 In making an entry the player confirms his acceptance of the Association's Rules and Regulations.
- 3.3 For any competitive event sanctioned by the IBAD, a player shall not have his entry refused for reasons of race, religion or politics. Refusal of entries for any reason other than classification or that there are too many entries to be accommodated requires the specific written permission of the IBAD.

4 Conduct of the tournament

- 4.1 If not stated otherwise, IBAD-sanctioned tournaments shall be conducted according to the Competition Regulations of the IBF. This applies in particular in all aspects concerning the draw (including alterations and substitutions), qualifying rounds and the ranking in pool systems or groups.
- 4.2 The draw shall be done five hours after the classification procedure has ended. It must be published as soon as possible after it is done.
- 4.3 After the draw has been made, no alterations shall be made due to classification reasons. Appeals against the classification of a player may be dealt with during the tournament, but a possible reclassification will not come into effect until after the end of the tournament.
- 4.4 An experienced Referee shall be appointed by the organiser for all sanctioned tournaments or other events.
 - 4.4.1 The Referee shall be in overall charge of the event.
 - 4.4.2 The Referee or a deputy shall always be present in the hall during the playing of matches.
 - 4.4.3 The duties of the Referee shall include:
 - 4.4.3.1 ensuring that the conduct of the tournament or event is in accordance with the Laws of badminton, the Rules and Regulations of the IBAD and the IBF and any other regulations pertinent to the particular competition
 - 4.4.3.2 approval of the programme of play
 - 4.4.3.3 overall control of and ensuring that there is an adequate panel of court officials of requisite ability

5 World and Continental Championships

- 5.1 World Championships shall be held every year. Continental Championships may be promoted every second year.
- 5.2 The events shall include men's singles and doubles, ladies' singles and doubles and mixed doubles in all categories according to the Classification Regulations with to the following restrictions:
 - 5.2.1 If there are less than five entries in any one event it shall either not be played or the entries shall be included in a next higher event or category, as appropriate.
Example: Mixed, ladies's and men's doubles in only one doubles category, or wheelchair 2 in wheelchair 1.
 - 5.2.2 An event in any category shall be played only if players from at least three Member Associations have been entered.
- 5.3 The winners of all events shall be regarded as World or Continental Champions (i.e. Asian or European Champion etc.) respectively.
- 5.4 Not later than four months before the date of the Championships, the organiser shall send an invitation to compete to all Member Associations concerned. For Continental Championships the division into continents shall be the same as in the IBF, unless otherwise decided by the AGM. Associations interested to become a member of IBAD may be invited at the discretion of the organiser subject to the approval of the IBAD.
- 5.5 Entries shall be sent so as to reach the address quoted in the letter of invitation not later than the closing date notified in the invitation to compete.
- 5.6 Council shall have the power to reject an entry:
 - 5.6.1 containing a condition unresolved at the time of the draw
 - 5.6.2 considered against the interest of the competition or the game
 - 5.6.3 made by an Member Association which is in arrears of one year or more in payment of subscription or which has any other indebtedness to the IBAD.
- 5.7 The organiser shall be entitled to restrict the number of entries per Member Association in any event subject to the approval of the IBAD.
- 5.8 The entry fee as set down by the AGM shall be payable to the organiser not later than the closing date for entries.
- 5.9 Council shall appoint a Committee of Management of three to five persons, of whom at least one shall be a Council member and one nominated by the organiser. This Committee shall be responsible for the general organisation and for the seeding and the draw for each event. In addition, the Referee shall be an ex-officio member of this Committee.
- 5.10 The intended outline timetable of the event (including classification) shall be fixed by the Committee of Management and circulated not later than four weeks before the commencement of the Championships.

6 Ranking System

- 6.1 The World Ranking is a list of players in order of strength. There is one list for each event in each classification category.
- 6.2 The system used to rank players is explained in an annex to the Competition Regulations which forms part of these Regulations.
- 6.3 The rankings are compiled from the results over the last 52-week period of all IBAD-sanctioned events.

7 Amendment of Regulations

- 7.1 These Regulations can normally only be amended at a General Meeting of the IBAD. However, Council may adopt an urgent amendment required because of the circumstances of a particular competition. Such an amendment must then be proposed for confirmation at the first AGM following its adoption.

These Regulations were adopted by the Annual General Meeting on 10 June 2000 and are effective as of 11 June 2000.