



International Wheelchair Rugby Federation

Sanctioning Regulations

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These Regulations detail the sanctioning of Wheelchair Rugby competitions by the International Wheelchair Rugby Federation (IWRF).

General Conditions

A sanctioned event is a Wheelchair Rugby competition that is certified by IWRF as being conducted in accordance with all rules and regulations. Events can receive different types of sanction, each with its own requirements.

In sanctioning a competition, IWRF confirms that it is conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations governing the sport of Wheelchair Rugby, and that the participating teams and athletes can be assured of acknowledgement of their achievements. In applying for and awarding sanction, the IWRF and the Organizing Committee undertake certain obligations and responsibilities to ensure the successful conduct of the competition. These are detailed in these Regulations.

All sanctioned events must conform to all rules and regulations of IWRF. Depending on the type of sanction, competitions may be subject to additional conditions listed in the descriptions.

In exceptional circumstances, the IWRF Competitions Committee will consider sanctioning events that do not meet the specific requirements of these or any other rules and regulations. Where an Organizing Committee believes that an exception will be required, this should be indicated on the sanction application.

Responsibilities of IWRF

With respect to sanctioned events, the IWRF is responsible for all sport technical matters related to the conduct of the competition. IWRF official representatives will supervise the technical aspects of the event and will verify that all relevant technical personnel appointed to the event are properly certified. The IWRF will assist in identifying individuals and organizations with technical expertise where needed.

The IWRF will provide the Organizing Committee with a list of current IWRF national member organizations eligible for invitation to the event, and will liaise with respect to matters coming under the jurisdiction of the IWRF, such as anti-doping policy, membership status, and other issues.

All IWRF sanctioned events will be listed on the IWRF Competitions Calendar.

Technical Delegate

Following the approval of a sanction application, the IWRF Competitions Committee will appoint a Technical Delegate for the event.

The Technical Delegate is the senior IWRF official at the event and has the authority to rule on all sport technical matters, including interpretations of any of the rules and regulations of IWRF, with respect to the event.

The Technical Delegate will maintain liaison with the Organizing Committee on preparations for the event. During the event, the Technical Delegate will meet at regular intervals with the Organizing Committee to make final decisions on all technical and regulatory matters relevant to the event.

Full Sanction

A Full sanction event is a competition between national teams that includes IWRF international classification, and whose results are valid for IWRF world rankings.

A Full sanction event must conform to the following conditions:

- At least two national teams must participate
- Teams must play a minimum of five matches in the competition
- All International Technical Officials are to be appointed by IWRF
- An IWRF international classification panel, as designated in the IWRF Classification Manual, must be present

Competition Sanction

A Competition sanction event is a competition between national teams whose results are valid for IWRF world rankings. IWRF international classification does not take place at a Competition sanction event.

A Competition sanction event must conform to the following conditions:

- At least two national teams must participate
- Teams must play a minimum of five matches in the competition
- All International Technical Officials are to be appointed by IWRF
- All athletes in competition must have a valid IWRF International Sport Class

Classification Sanction

A Classification sanction event is a competition where IWRF international sport classes may be awarded.

A Classification sanction event must conform to the following conditions:

- An IWRF international classification panel, as designated in the IWRF Classification Manual, must be present

- The IWRF Chief Classifier must confirm that the level of competition will be appropriate to allow the award of IWRF international sport classes.

Official Championships

All IWRF official championships are sanctioned events. A separate application for sanction is not required. IWRF will confirm these events meet the requirements for sanctioning through the bid process.

The results of all Championship events are valid for IWRF world rankings. IWRF international classification may or may not be conducted at Championship events, at the discretion of the IWRF Competitions Committee.

These events include the following:

- IWRF World Championship
- IWRF Zone Championships
- Paralympic Games
- Qualification tournaments for the IWRF World Championship, Zone Championships, and Paralympic Games
- Other events designated as IWRF official championships by the IWRF Competitions Committee

Sanction process

For sanctioned events, with the exception of IWRF official championships, the following sanction process will apply:

1. The IWRF Sanction Application (Appendix A) is to be submitted to the IWRF Competitions Committee at least six months before the start date of the event
2. The applicable sanction fee is to be submitted at the same time as the Sanction Application
3. The IWRF Competitions Committee will review the sanction application. If further information is required to assess the application, the Committee will contact the event Organizing Committee.
4. The IWRF Competitions Committee will make a decision on awarding sanction and notify the event Organizing Committee at least four months before the start date of the event.
5. The IWRF Competitions Committee will appoint the event Technical Delegate

6. One month following the event, the event Organizing Committee will submit an Event Report (Appendix B) to the IWRF Competitions Committee

Fees

The sanctioning fees for IWRF sanctioned events are as follows:

- Full sanction USD 500.00
- Competition sanction USD 250.00
- Classification sanction USD 250.00
- World Championship USD 5000.00
- Zone Championship USD 2500.00
- Qualification event USD 250.00

For Full, Competition, and Classification sanctions, fees are to be submitted with the sanction application. For other events, fees are payable on a schedule to be detailed in the event contact.

In addition to sanction fees, at IWRF Official Championship events, all registered participants are required to pay an IWRF Capitation Fee of USD 100.00 per person. This fee is to be collected by the LOC as part of the event registration fee and remitted to IWRF.

At all IWRF sanctioned events, IWRF appointed International Technical Officials are to be paid a per diem of USD 25.00 per person per day, including the arrival and departure days.