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PARALYMPIC STANDING PROCEDURES

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Article 1

Purpose

The purpose of these Standing procedures, hereinafter known as the “Procedures”, is to manage safely, fairly, transparently and smoothly all matters pertaining to the Para Taekwondo competitions at the Paralympic Games, in accordance with the Statutes of the World Taekwondo, hereinafter known as “WT Statutes”, and the World Para Taekwondo Competition Rules of the WT, hereinafter known as the “WPT Competition Rules”

Organizing Committees of the Olympic and Paralympic Games (“OCOGs”) should refer to the most up-to-date WT Statutes and WPT Competition Rules for further details of the Articles sated in the Procedures.

Article 2

Competition Area

The Competition Area for the Paralympic Games shall be installed on a platform as outlined in the WT Para Taekwondo Competition Rules.

The platform shall be made wheelchair accessible as awarding ceremonies will be held in the center of the court.

Article 3

Sport Classes & Eligibility

1. The Sport Classes at the Paralympics Games are as follows:

MENS SPORT CLASSES		WOMEN SPORT CLASSES	
K44	Athletes who meet the impairment criteria of the K44 Sport Class of the WT Athlete Classification Rules	K44	Athletes who meet the impairment criteria of the K44 Sport Class of the WT Athlete Classification Rules

2. Athletes are required to meet the following eligibility criteria in order to participate at the Paralympic Games

- 2.1 Holder of Nationality of the participating team

- 2.1.1 Athletes with a refugee status issued by either governmental authorities in the country of residence or the UNHCR may be entered into tournaments and championships under WT flag based on prior approval from WT

- 2.2 Holder of a WT recognized Dan Certificate

- 2.3 Holder of a valid WT Global Athlete Licence (GAL) for the year 2024

- 2.4 Contestant shall be at least 16 years old by December 31, 2024

- 2.5 Athlete must be Internationally Classified in accordance with the WT Athlete Classification Rules and be assigned K44 Sport Class with a Confirmed (C) or Fixed Review Date (FRD) (with a review date after December 31, 2024) Sport Class Status prior to the Paralympic Games. Athletes found Not Eligible (NE) or who classifies in the K41 Sport Class will not be able to qualify for or compete at the Paralympic Games.

- 2.6 The athlete must have participated in at least three (3) World Para Taekwondo Ranking events in the pertinent Sport Class between January 1, 2022 and April 30, 2024 (May 2024 World Para Taekwondo Ranking).

Article 4

Weight categories

Weight categories at the Paralympic Games are divided as follows:

MENS WEIGHT CATEGORIES		WOMENS WEIGHT CATEGORIES	
Under 58 kg	Not exceeding 58 kg	Under 47 kg	Not exceeding 47 kg
Under 63 kg	Over 58 kg and not exceeding 63 kg	Under 52 kg	Over 47 kg and not exceeding 52 kg
Under 70 kg	Over 63 kg and not exceeding 70 kg	Under 57 kg	Over 52 kg and not exceeding 57 kg
Under 80 kg	Over 70 kg and not exceeding 80 kg	Under 65 kg	Over 57 kg and not exceeding 65 kg
Over 80 kg	Over 80 kg	Over 65 kg	Over 65 kg

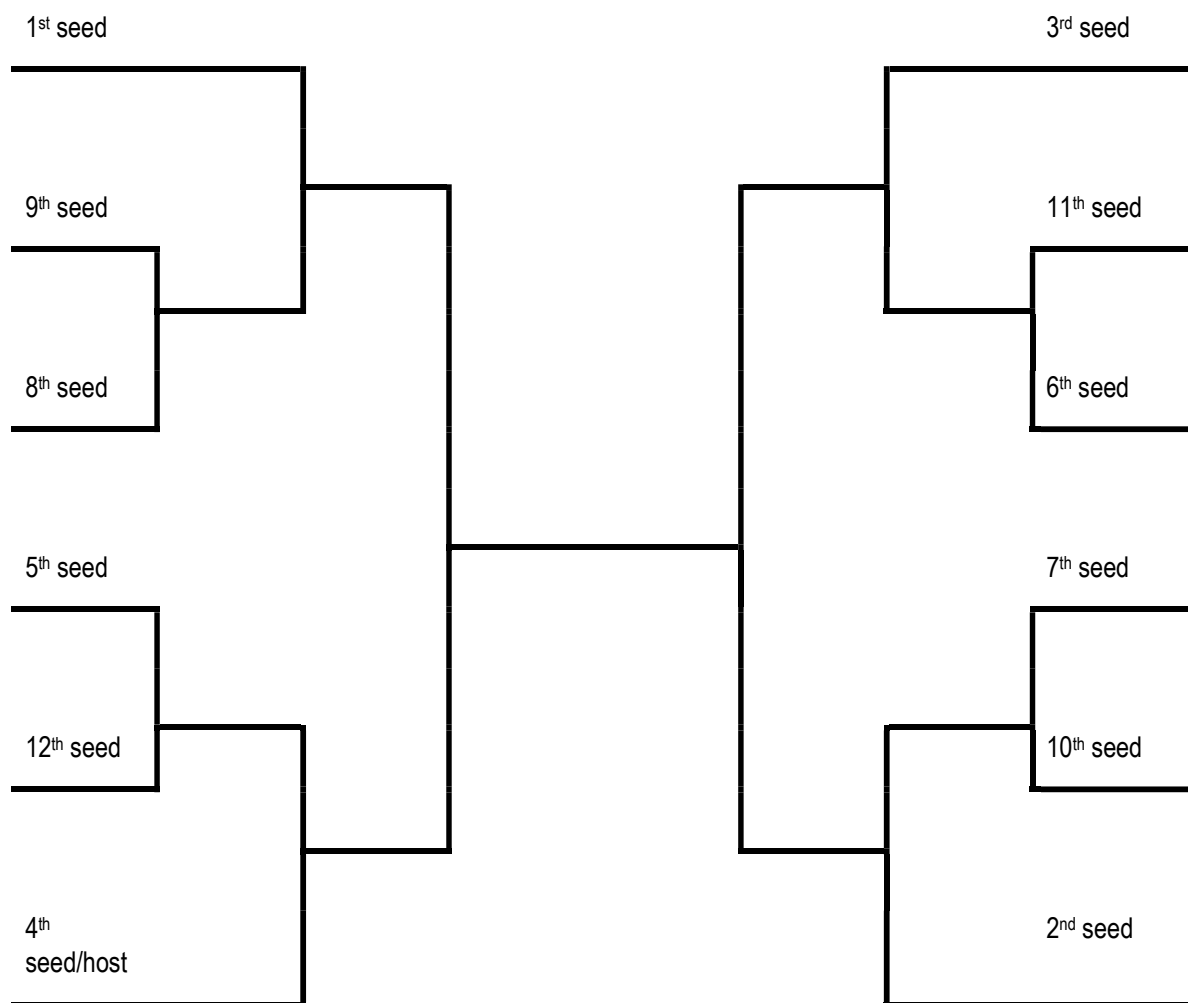
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Head of Team meeting and Drawing of Lots

1. Head of team meeting and drawing of lots shall be conducted, under the joint control of the Technical Delegate of the WT and the OCOGs, two (2) days prior to the first competition day.
2. All ranked athletes will be seeded based on the August 2024 World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking (including all ranking points up until July 31, 2024).
3. The seeded athletes of each weight division will be announced on the WT website at the earliest on **DATE**, 2024 based on the August 2024 World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking after completion of the entry submission process ending on **DATE**, 2024. If an athlete from the host nation has not been seeded within the top four (4), based on his/her World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking, he/she will be seeded 4th.

The Paralympic Games host nation's National Paralympic Committee shall receive five (5) athlete quota slots of which at least two (2) has to be for womens' event. All the host quota athletes shall be seeded in fourth (4th) place or higher, if they individually hold a world ranking of first (1st), second (2nd) or third (3rd) on the August 2024 WT World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking.

4. After the announcement of seeded athletes there shall be, in principle, no change of seeding order. In the case that the top seeded athlete cannot compete due to valid reasons, the next highest seeded athlete will take up the top position, and so forth. Once the list of the seeded athletes is handed over to the OCOG at the latest one (1) hour before the draw, there shall be no further change of seeded athletes.
5. There shall be no reseeding and no redraw even if athletes in the same bracket are disqualified
6. Seeding chart



Article 6

Competition Method

1. Para Taekwondo competition at the Paralympic Games shall be conducted in a single elimination tournament system with repechage for the bronze medal contests. The competition formats are outlined in the World Para Taekwondo Competition Rules.

The winner of the final contest will receive the gold medal and the opponent will receive the silver medal.

The repechage shall be conducted among all contestants eliminated in the quarterfinals of the tournament. In the repechage, the eliminated contestants in the semi-finals will be seeded directly to each of the repechage finals (bronze medal contest), as presented in article 7.2.

The two winners of the repechage finals (bronze medal contests) will each receive a bronze medal.

Any contestants who have been disqualified from the tournament based on disciplinary decision from the Competition Supervisory Board cannot advance to repechage.

2. In the event of a tied score, a “golden round”, will be conducted after a rest following the end of the last round. In principle, any points from previous round/s shall not be taken into consideration in the golden round, the winner shall be decided based on the World Para Taekwondo Competition Rules Article 16.
3. Official standing of each division shall be as follows:
 - 1st place (Gold medalist): winner of the final contest
 - 2nd place (Silver medalist): defeated contestant in the final contest
 - 3rd place (2) (Bronze medalists): winners of the bronze medal contests
 - 5th place (2) defeated in the bronze medal contests
 - 7th place (2) defeated in the repechage elimination
 - 9th place (4) defeated in the round of 16
 - No place disqualified contestants, including athletes who failed weigh-in
4. Disqualification of both athletes in a contest

- 4.1 In the case that the above situation occurs in one of the quarter finals no athlete will proceed to the semi-final and no athlete from that quarter final will go on to the repechage. Both athletes will be given No place in the official results as disqualified contestants.

- 4.2 In the case that the above situation occurs in one of the two semi-finals of an event a new semi-final will be held with the athletes eliminated in the quarter finals. The disqualified contestants shall be given No place.

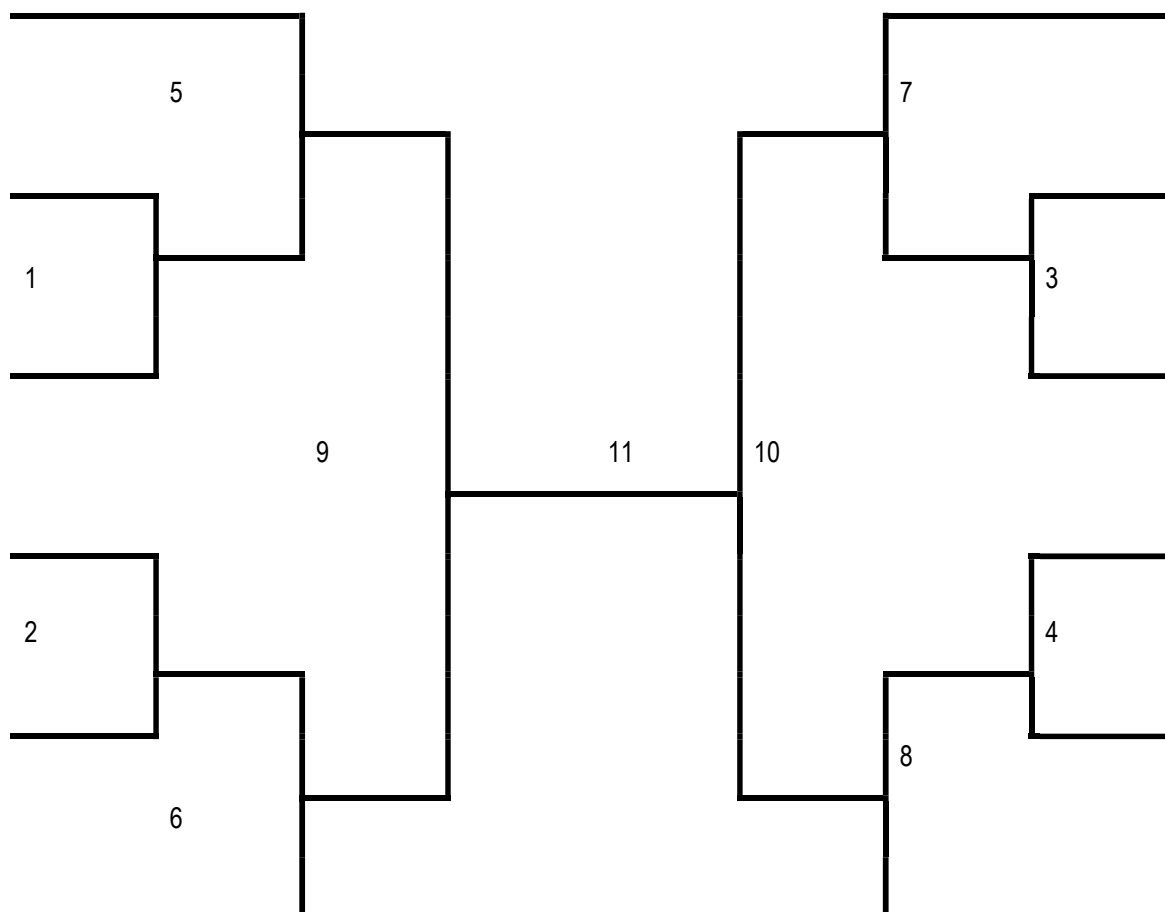
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Competition Overview

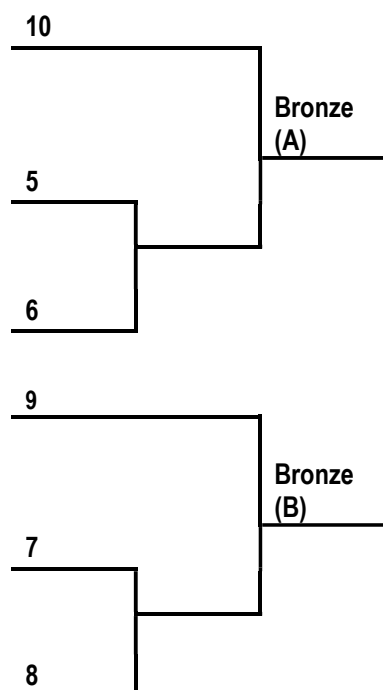
1. The Para Taekwondo Competitions of the Paralympic Games will be held over four (4) days with the following medal events each day:

MEDAL EVENT	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4
Men	K44 under 58 kg	K44 under 63 kg K44 under 70 kg	K44 under 80 kg	K44 over 80 kg
Women	K44 under 47 kg K44 under 52 kg	K44 under 57 kg	K44 under 65 kg	K44 over 65 kg

2. 12 athlete single elimination with repechage



Bronze medal brackets (Eliminated athletes from Quarter- and Semi-finals bracket are allocated as follows)



3. Number of matches per event and day of competition

MEDAL EVENT	DAY 1	MATCHES	DAY 2	MATCHES	DAY 3	MATCHES	DAY 4	MATCHES
Men	K44 under 58 kg	15	K44 under 63 kg	15	K44 under 80 kg	15	K44 over 80 kg	15
			K44 under 70 kg	15				
Women	K44 under 47 kg	15	K44 under 57 kg	15	K44 under 65 kg	15	K44 over 65 kg	15
	K44 under 52 kg	15						
Total No. of matches		45		45		30		30

4. Number of matches per session

SESSION	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4
Morning	24	24	16	16
Afternoon	21	21	14	14

Article 8

Technical Officials

1. International Technical Officials (ITOs), to be appointed by WT, are divided into:
 - Technical Delegate (TD)
 - Technical Controllers (TC)
 - Competition Supervisory Board (CSB)
 - Review Jury (RJ)
 - International Referees (IR)
2. National Technical Officials (NTOs) are appointed by the OCOG. The number of NTOs require the approval of WT.
3. The role of the Technical Delegate (TD) is to ensure that the WT Competition Rules are complied with and to preside over the Head of Team meeting and Drawing of Lots. The TD shall review and approve contingency plans developed by the OCOG, and make final decisions on such cases. The TD is also responsible for reviewing and approving the results of weigh-in and approving the referee assignment.

As per any situation which is not prescribed either in the WT Competition Rules or Standing Procedures, the TD will decide and the decision shall be final.
4. The roles of the Technical Controllers (TC) are to ensure the competition runs according to the schedule and cooperate with the stakeholders of the para taekwondo competition such as PRIS, OCOG Technology, Sport Presentation and OBS in close communication with OCOG Competition Manager. TCs are responsible for issuing "Official Communications" for the cases that shall be released. TCs are also responsible for overseeing and approving the equipment and the result of the weigh-in.
5. The roles of the Competition Supervisory Board (CSB) are to evaluate the performances of referees, judges and review jury and take relevant disciplinary action against them who make misjudgments. CSB shall serve as Extraordinary Sanctions Committee together with the TD throughout the tournament to take disciplinary actions against contestants and/or team officials who violate the rules of WT including, but not limited to, disqualification from the Paralympic Games Para Taekwondo competitions. In addition, CSB members are responsible for assisting the TD in all competition related matters.
6. The roles of Review Jury (RJ) are to operate the Instant Video Replay System (IVR) upon the request for review from a coach and make decision on whether to accept or reject the request. RJ's decision is final and there shall be no further appeal from both coaches.

7. The roles of the International Referees (IR) are to officiate the competitions. Roles of IRs are divided into Referee, Judge, Technical Assistant. In addition, IRs are responsible for conducting weigh-in and inspection of contestants with assistance of National Technical Officials (NTO).

Article 9

Appeal

1. Procedures on appeal shall be in accordance with the World Para Taekwondo Competition Rules.

Article 10

Paralympic Quota

Para Taekwondo Medal events and athlete quota for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games

Athletes & Medal Events											
	Athletes	Sport Class	Weight category & Number of athletes					Medal events	Medals		
									G	S	B
Men	60	K44	-58kg	-63kg	-70kg	-80kg	+80kg	5	5	5	10
			12	12	12	12	12				
Women	60	K44	-47kg	-52kg	-57kg	-65kg	+65kg	5	5	5	10
			12	12	12	12	12				
Total	120	1	120					10	10	10	20

Article 11

Criteria for quota allocation for the Paralympic Games

Qualification system – Paris 2024 Paralympic Games Qualification Guide - prevails over this document when it comes to qualification.

1. Each National Paralympic Committee (NPC) can enter only one contestant per event
 - 1.1 Bipartite places may be assigned by the Bipartite Commission to so that more than one athlete from the NPC can compete in the same event.
2. The hosting country for all continental Olympic and Paralympic qualification events shall be decided by the respective Continental Union of WT. These qualification events will be operated by the event organizing committee of each hosting country in close collaboration with WT.
3. Qualification through World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking or World Para Taekwondo Grand Slam Champions Series
 - 3.1 An NPC can qualify a maximum of 10 athletes, five (5) men and five (5) women through the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking, hereinafter known as “Paralympic Ranking” or the World Para Taekwondo Grand Slam Champions Series, hereinafter known as “Grand Slam”
 - 3.2 A total of fifty (50) athletes (twenty-five (25) men and twenty-five (25) women) will be qualified through the Paralympic Ranking. The top five (5) ranked athletes in each weight category on the Paralympic Ranking as of January 2024 will qualify one (1) quota place each for their NPC for the Paralympic Games.
 - 3.3 In the case of a tie in the number of Paralympic Ranking points among qualifiers, the athlete who won the ranking points at the higher graded events will receive the quota place.
 - 3.4 Athletes who qualify in the K44 Sport Class World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking can only be replaced by an athlete from K44.
 - 3.5 If the quota place was obtained through the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking, the NPC may only replace the athlete(s) who earned the quota with an athlete that has been ranked within the top 20 of the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking in the pertinent event at a point in time between January 2024 and May 2024.
 - 3.6 The NPC shall have the right to accept or reject the qualification place achieved by the athlete within one (1) week from the receipt of the notification from WT unless otherwise stated in the “Paris 2024 Paralympic Games Qualification Guide”

- 3.7 In the case the NPC rejects the place it shall be reallocated to the next highest ranked contestant in the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking provided the replacement does not exceed the national quota of the reallocated NPC of five (5) men and five (5) women events.
- 3.8 A total of ten (10) athletes (five (5) men and five (5) women) will be qualified for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games through the World Para Taekwondo Grand Slam Champions Series. The highest ranked athlete in each weight category on merit points standing of World Para Taekwondo Grand Slam Champions Series of January 2024 will qualify one (1) quota place for each of the NPC for the Paralympic Games.
- 3.9 In the case of a tie in the number of merit points standing among athletes, the athlete who has competed in more Grand Slam events, including Grand Slam qualification tournament, will receive the quota place.
- 3.10 In the case the athlete earning the qualification slot through Grand Slam is already qualified through the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking, the next highest ranked athlete on the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking will earn the slot.
4. An MNA can qualify a maximum number of five (5) men and five (5) women athletes for their NPC through the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking as of January 2024. Any NPC who has obtained a minimum of three (3) men and three (3) women athletes slots via the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking will be deemed to have obtained its total quota of places and shall **not** be permitted to enter the Continental Qualification tournaments.
5. If a nation has **not** qualified a minimum of three (3) men and three (3) women athletes through the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking they **shall** be allowed to compete for the additional places via the Continental Qualification tournaments.
6. The host NPC directly qualifies five (5) athletes for five (5) medal events. The medal events should be where the host country's highest ranked athletes on the January 2024 World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking. At least two (2) medal events must be a women events. The host NPC may select any athlete for the five (5) medal events that fulfill the athlete eligibility criteria. Should the host country obtain any slot(s) via the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking as explained in Article 11.3, the respective reserved slot(s) will be allocated via BIP. The host NPC must confirm its selection of events by **DATE**, 2024. Any athlete nominated by the NPC must fulfill the eligibility criteria. Once the host NPC confirm its selection of events this cannot be changed. Any unused host country places shall be allocated through BIP.
7. The allocation of the Bipartite Commission Invitation places (hereinafter "BIP") shall be agreed upon between the parties that comprise the Commission; the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) and World Taekwondo (WT). The five (5) bipartite quota slots shall be allocated in the events which were not selected by the host NPC.

8. All athletes selected by any NPC must fulfil the minimum eligibility requirements set by WT and the athlete must have participated in at least three (3) World Para Taekwondo Ranking events and have been allocated a Sport Class and a Sport Class Status of either “Confirmed” or “Fixed Date Review” with a review date after December 31, 2024.
9. Continental Qualification Tournament
 - 9.1 WT, in cooperation with each of the five Continental Taekwondo Unions of Africa, Asia, Europe, Oceania and Pan America, shall conduct a Continental Taekwondo Qualification tournament between January 2024 and April 2024.
 - 9.2 Each Continental Qualification tournament will qualify the number one (1) athlete in each medal event for the Paralympic Games.
 - 9.3 In the case there are no athletes entering a medal event at the Continental Qualification tournament the highest-ranking athlete in the K44 Sport Class and respective Weight Category on the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking as of May 2024 (including results up until April 30, 2024) from the pertinent continent shall obtain the quota place.
 - 9.4 In the case no athlete from the pertinent continent appears on the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking in the K44 Sport Class and Weight Category the quota will be allocated through BIP.
 - 9.5 A MNA, other than the host country, may participate in Continental Qualification tournament as long as:
 - 9.5.1 The athletes’ gender and weight categories in the Continental Qualification tournament are not those for which the NPC already obtained a qualification slot through World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking;
 - 9.5.2 The number of athletes qualified through World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking of the pertinent NPC does not exceed the minimum quota of three (3) men and three (3) women places respectively.
 - 9.6 Seeding at Continental Qualification Tournaments for Paralympic Games
Athletes will be seeded based on their points earned in their respective Sport Class and weight category on the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking.
10. International Classification will be available at all Continental Qualification tournaments

Article 12

Reallocation of unused quota places

If an allocated quota place is not confirmed by the NPC by the confirmation of quota place deadline or is declined by the NPC, the quota place will be allocated as follows:

1. If the quota place was obtained through the World Para Taekwondo Paralympic Ranking, it will be reallocated to the NPC of the next highest ranked athlete in the same Sport Class and weight category based on the World Ranking as of January 2020, as long as the NPC does not exceed the maximum quota of five (5) men and five (5) women places (one per medal event in accordance with Article 11.1).
2. If the quota was obtained through a Continental Qualification tournament, it will be reallocated to the NPC of the next highest ranked athlete at the pertinent Continental Qualification tournament in the respective medal event.

Ranking for Continental Qualification tournament

1st place

2nd place

3rd place (the athlete who lost the semifinals against the 1st place athlete)

4th place (the athlete who lost the semifinals against the 2nd place athlete)

And so on

3. If the host NPC has already qualified places through World Ranking, the number of host country places shall be deducted accordingly; any unused host country places shall be reallocated through BIP. The same process applies should the host NPC decide not to use the available host country places or should the selected athlete(s) by the host NPC not meet the eligibility requirements.

Article 13

Doping Test

1. The Anti-doping Code shall apply to the Para Taekwondo competitions of the Paralympic Games and all Continental Qualification tournaments as well as the World Ranking events. Doping tests will be conducted at World Ranking events and Continental Qualification tournaments.
2. For Continental Qualifications tournaments, mandatory doping tests will be conducted for all qualified athletes.
3. In the Paralympic Games, if a gold medalist is disqualified after having violated the Anti-doping Codes, the contestant shall be removed from the final standings. The silver medalist will move up the final standings and be awarded the gold medal. There will be no further changes to the standings. If any other medalist other than the gold medalist is disqualified, there will not be any changes to the final standings.

Article 14

Additional Quota

1. In the case there is additional quota awarded to any weight category for the Para Taekwondo Competitions of the Paralympic Games the following shall apply.
2. Additional quota awarded to a weight category at the Paralympic Games for Refugee athlete.
 - 2.1 The refugee athlete shall be seeded as number 13 in the draw and shall not be subject to randomized draw.
 - 2.2 The 13th seed shall face off against the athlete drawn for the 12th seed in a single round of 32 match.
 - 2.3 The eliminated athlete in this match shall not proceed to the repechage
 - 2.4 A refugee athlete needs to have competed in at least three (3) tournaments in the eligibility period where of one (1) must be a World Para Taekwondo Ranking event to fulfill the eligibility criteria for competition at the Paralympic Games.

Article 15

Entry procedure

NPCs that have qualified for the Paralympic Games shall take necessary measures in coordination with the national federation (MNA) to submit the entry to OCOGs on time.

If an NPC requires an athlete replacement after the sport entries deadlines (**DATE**, 2024), such replacement can only be conducted in accordance with the Later Athlete Replacement policy, established by the IPC, and published in the Sport Entries Manual for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games.

Article 16

Other matters

Those matters not prescribed in the Procedures will be dealt with in accordance with the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games Qualification Guide, WT Rules, WT Competition Rules, Rules on Organization and Operation of International Taekwondo Championships, and a resolution of the WT Council, when necessary.

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Article 17

Amendments and effectuation

1. Amendments to this document are made by the WT Council
 - 1.1 Amendments to any articles concerning the allocation of quota slots or entry procedures to the Paralympic Games cannot be made without consultation with the International Paralympic Committee
2. Effectuation

This document will come into effect as of September 6, 2021