



WORLD TAEKWONDO  
PARA TAEKWONDO POOMSAE COMPETITION RULES

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# WT Para Taekwondo Competition Rules & Interpretation

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## Preamble

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Taekwondo Poomsae has been adapted for athletes with an impairment and is referred to as "Para Taekwondo Poomsae".

The WT Para Taekwondo Poomsae Competition Rules, herein after referred to as "the Rules", the male and female gender used in relation to any physical person, unless there is a specific provision to the contrary, be understood.

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## Article 1

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### Purpose

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1.1 The purpose of the WT Para Taekwondo Poomsae Competition Rules is to provide standardized rules for all levels of Championships and tournaments organized and/or promoted by the World Taekwondo (WT), WT Continental Unions (CUs) and/or WT Member National Associations (MNAs); the Para Taekwondo Poomsae Competition Rules are intended to ensure that all matters related to competitions are conducted in a fair, transparent, safe and orderly manner.

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#### (Interpretation #1.1)

The objective of Article 1 is to ensure the standardization of all Para Taekwondo Poomsae competition worldwide. Any competition not following the fundamental principles of these rules cannot be recognized as a Para Taekwondo Poomsae competition.

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## Article 2

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### Application

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- 2.1 The Para Taekwondo Poomsae Competition Rules shall apply to all the competitions to be promoted and/or organized by the WT, each Continental Union (CUs) and Member National Association (MNAs). However, any Member National Association (MNAs) wishing to modify some or any part of the Para Taekwondo Poomsae Competition Rules must first gain the prior approval of the WT. In the case that a Continental Union (CUs) and/or a Member National Association (MNAs) violates the WT Para Taekwondo Poomsae Competition Rules without prior approval of the WT, the WT may exercise its discretion to disapprove or revoke its approval of the concerned international tournament. In addition, the WT may take further disciplinary actions to the pertinent Continental Union (CUs) or Member National Association (MNAs).
- 2.2 All Para Taekwondo Poomsae competitions promoted, organized, or sanctioned by the WT shall observe the WT Statutes, the Bylaws of Dispute Resolution and Disciplinary Action, and all other pertinent rules and regulations.
- 2.3 All Para Taekwondo Poomsae competitions promoted, organized, or sanctioned by the WT, and/or each Continental Union (CUs) and/or Member National Association (MNAs), shall abide by the WT Medical Code and the WT Anti-Doping Rules and the WT Athlete Classification Rules.

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#### (Interpretation #2.1)

First gain the approval: Any organization desiring to make a change in any portion of the existing rules must submit to the WT the contents of the desired amendment along with the reasons for the desired changes. Approval for any changes in these rules must be received from the WT at least one month prior to the scheduled competition. WT can apply Para Taekwondo Poomsae Competition Rules with modifications in its promoted Championships with the decision of the Technical Delegate after approval of the President.

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## Article 3

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### Competition Area

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3.1 The Competition Area is composed of a Contest Area. The Contest Area shall have a flat surface without any obstructing projections and be covered with an WT recognized elastic and non-slippery mat, with appropriate accessibility conditions for athletes and officials with a physical impairment. The Contest Area may also be installed on a platform 0.6 - 1.0 meter high from the base, if necessary, the outer part of the Boundary Line shall be inclined at a gradient of less than 30 degrees, for the safety of the contestants.

3.1.1 Depending on the impairment types present at the competition a ramp should be installed for access to the contest area.

3.1.2 Use of brighter colored markings for athletes with a visual impairment may be used.

3.1.3 Flickering lights around the competition area could be used for deaf contestants.

3.2 Athletes and their support staff shall be allowed to do a reconnaissance visit to the Field of Play and the Contest Area once the venue is set up for competition preferably one day prior to the competition.

3.3 Square shape:

The Competition Area consists of a Contest Area and a Safety Area. The square shape Contest Area shall measure, at least 10m x 10m. Surrounding the Contest Area, approximately equidistant on all sides, shall be the Safety Area. The size of the Competition Area (which envelopes the Contest Area and Safety Area) shall be no smaller than 10m x 10m and no larger than 12m x 12m. The Competition Area and the Safety Area shall be different colors, as specified in the relevant competition's Technical Manual.

3.4 Indication of positions

Position of the Judges: When using five (5) judges, each judge shall sit 1 m away from the Contest Area and 1 m in between each other, with three (3) judges facing the contestants and two (2) facing the back of the contestants.

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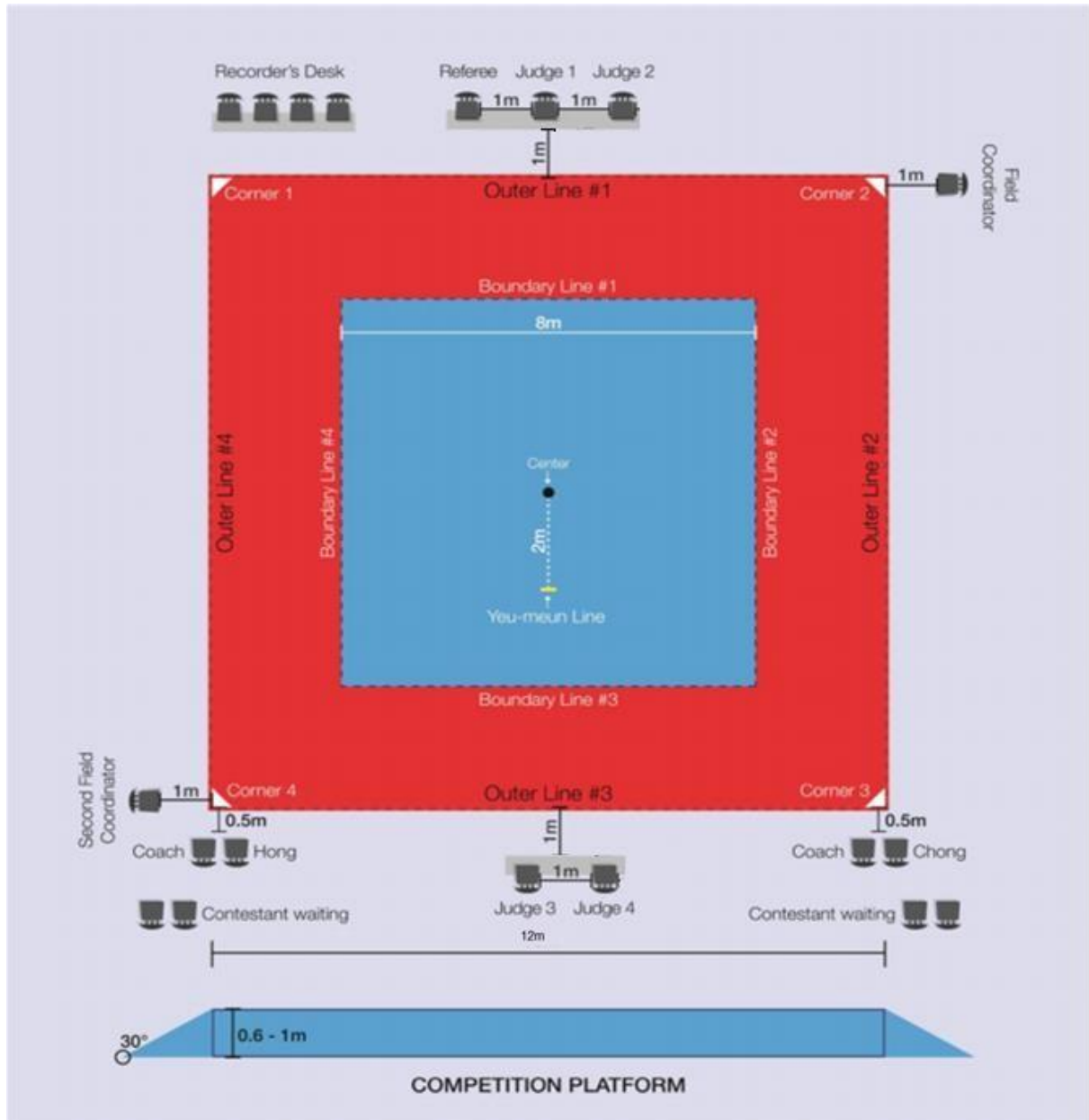
The boundary line adjacent to the three judges shall be deemed boundary line #1, followed by, clockwise, boundary lines #2, #3, and #4. Judges are positioned clockwise from the left of the boundary line #1. It is also possible in the same order system five (5) or three (3) judges shall be positioned facing the contestants (Optional).

3.4.1 Technical delegate shall adjust position and number of judges depending on environment of competition area and condition of championships)

Position of the Field Coordinator: On the Outer Line #2, one (1) meter away from the corner two (2) of the Outer Lines #1 and #2.

Position of Inspection desk: The position of the Inspection Desk shall be near the entrance of the Field of Play.

Diagram 1: Competition Area



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## Article 4

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### Contestant

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#### 4.1 Qualification of Contestant

- 4.1.1 Holder of Nationality of the participating team.
- 4.1.2 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.
- 4.1.3 An athlete recommended by a WT recognized Member National Association (MNA).
- 4.1.4 Holder of a Para Taekwondo Dan issued or recognized by WT.
- 4.1.5 Holder of 8<sup>th</sup> to 1<sup>st</sup> Geup certificate issued or recognized by WT.
- 4.1.6 Holder of a WT Global Athlete Licence (GAL) & Global Official Membership (GOM).
- 4.1.7 Qualification of Age Range

Aspirant Division	8-11 years old in the year of the pertinent competition
Cadet Division	12-14 years old in the year of the pertinent competition
Junior Division	15-17 years old in the year of the pertinent competition
Senior I Division	18 -30 years old in the year of the pertinent competition
Senior II Division	31 years and older in the year of the pertinent competition

WT Promoted championships shall include cadets, juniors and senior divisions only.

- 4.1.8 Athlete must go through International Classification in accordance with the WT Athlete Classification Rules and be assigned a Sport Class and Sport Class Status prior to the tournament. Athletes found Not Eligible (NE) or with a Classification Not Complete (CNC) will not be able to compete.

#### 4.2 Contestants uniform

Contestants shall wear WT-approved Poomsae competition uniform or the standard white taekwondo uniform at WT-promoted Para Poomsae Championships. See a list of recognized products at: <http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtf-partners/recognized/>

- 4.2.1 Aspirants Division (Ages 8-11): Standard white taekwondo uniform or White top with red and black collar, plus blue pants for males; the same top, but with red pants, for females.
- 4.2.2 Cadet Division (Ages 12-14): Only WT approved Poomsae competition uniform.
- 4.2.3 Junior Division (Ages 15-17): Only WT approved Poomsae competition uniform.
- 4.2.4 Senior Division (Ages 18 and up): Only WT approved Poomsae competition uniform.



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## Article 5

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### Classifications of competition

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#### 5.1 Recognized Poomsae Individual Competition in Para Taekwondo for All Sports Classes.

- 5.1.1 Male Aspirants (8-11 years old)
- 5.1.2 Female Aspirants (8-11 years old)
- 5.1.3 Male Cadet (12-14 years old)
- 5.1.4 Female Cadet (12-14 years old)
- 5.1.5 Male Junior (15-17 years old)
- 5.1.6 Female Junior (15-17 years old)
- 5.1.7 Male Senior I (18-30 years old)
- 5.1.8 Female Senior I (18-30 years old)
- 5.1.9 Male Senior II (31 years and older)
- 5.1.10 Female Senior II (31 years and older)

#### 5.2 Recognized Poomsae Pair Competition in Para Taekwondo for All Sport Classes. Pairs Competition: Pairs composed of one (1) female and one (1) male athlete.

- 5.2.1 Aspirant & Cadet & Junior (Under 18 years old)
- 5.2.2 Senior I & II (18 years and older)

#### 5.3 Recognized Para Poomsae Team Competition in Para Taekwondo All Sport Classes. Team competition: Teams composed of three (3) female or three (3) male athletes.

- 5.3.1 Male Aspirant & Cadet & Junior (Under 18 years old)
- 5.3.2 Female Aspirant & Cadet & Junior (Under 18 years old)
- 5.3.3 Male Senior I & II
- 5.3.4 Female Senior I & II

#### 5.4 Contestants may only compete in two division of competition unless he or she is limited by gender, age and Sport Class.

#### 5.5 Male and Female divisions must be classified separately.

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## Article 6

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### Sport Classes

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The following Sport Class groups have been designated by WT for Athletes in Para Taekwondo Poomsae:

<b>Impairment</b>	<b>Impairment Groups</b>	<b>Sport Classes</b>
Visual Impairments	P10	P11
		P12
Intellectual Impairments	P20	P21 (II1)
		P22 (II2)
		P23 (II3)
Neurological Impairments	P30	P31
		P32
		P33
		P34
		P35
Physical Impairments	P40	P41
		P42
		P43
		P44
		P45
Assistive devices	P50	P51
		P52
		P53
Deaf	P60	P60
Short Stature	P70	P72 (Men)
		P72 (Women)

For more detailed information relating to each Sport Class and Sport Class Profile and Minimum Impairment Criteria (MIC), refer to the WT Athlete Classification Rules.

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## Article 7

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### Methods of competition

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- 7.1 All international level competitions recognized by the WT shall be formed with the participation of at least two (2) countries with no fewer than two (2) contestants or two (2) teams in each division.
- 7.2 The system of competition is divided as follows. Methods of competition shall be decided by Technical Delegate and shall be stated at outline of championships prior to championships:
- 7.2.1 Single elimination tournament system (alternating athletes)  
Chong first and then Hong follows on the field (depending on number of participants can start from R64 - R32 - R16 - R8 - R4 - R2).
  - 7.2.2 Single elimination tournament system (concurrent athletes)  
Chong and Hong together on the field (depending on number of participants can start from R64 - R32 - R16 - R8 - R4 - R2)
  - 7.2.3 Cut off system  
Preliminary round (20 or more): all athletes  
Semi-finals round (19-9): top 50% of the preliminary round.  
Finals (-8): top 8 of the semi-final round.
  - 7.2.4 Combination system (Cut off + elimination tournament system)

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## Article 8

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### Duration of contest

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- 8.1 Recognized Poomsae: Individual, Pair and Team competitions between 20 to 120 seconds for each Poomsae.
- 8.2 A competitor will be guaranteed at least a one (1) minute resting period between each Poomsae, in the case the opponent (in the alternating single elimination method) finishes their Poomsae early or chooses not to perform their Poomsae.

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## Article 9

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### Compulsory Poomsae & Thresholds

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9.1 For All Sport Classes there is a free choice to athletes to choose (1) Poomsae from Group 1 and (1) Poomsae from Group 2, for each round from Individual, Pair & Team divisions Poomsae

#### 9.1.1 Dan Division - A Class

Individual division	Compulsory Poomsae	
	Group 1	Group 2
Aspirants (8-11 yrs)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6-jang.	Taeguk 7, 8-jang, Koryo (9)
Cadet (12-14 yrs)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7-jang.	Taeguk 8-jang, Koryo (9), Keumgang (10)
Junior (15-17 yrs)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7-jang.	Taeguk 8-jang, Koryo (9), Keumgang (10), Taebaek (11)
Senior I (18-30 yrs)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8-jang.	Koryo (9), Keumgang (10), Taebaek (11), Pyongwon (12), Shipjin (13)
Senior II (31 yrs and older)	Taegeuk 4, 5, 6, 7, 8-jang.	Koryo (9), Keumgang (10), Taebaek (11), Pyongwon (12), Shipjin (13)

**Note:** Poomsae Keumgang (10) shall be excluded from draw for P30 sport classes

#### 9.1.2 Geup Division (4th Geup - 1st Geup) - B Class

Individual division	Compulsory Poomsae	
	Group 1	Group 2
Aspirants (8-11 yrs)	Taegeuk 3, 4, 5-jang.	Taegeuk 6, 7, 8-jang.
Cadet (12-14 yrs)		
Junior (15-17 yrs)		
Senior I (18-30 yrs)		
Senior II (31 yrs and older)		

#### 9.1.3 Geup Division (8<sup>th</sup> Geup - 5<sup>th</sup> Geup) - C Class

Individual division	Compulsory Poomsae	
	Group 1	Group 2
Aspirants (8-11 yrs)	Taegeuk 1, 2-jang.	Taegeuk 3, 4-jang.
Cadet (12-14 yrs)		
Junior (15-17 yrs)		
Over 18 (18 yrs and older)		
Senior I (18-30 yrs)		
Senior II (31 yrs and older)		

9.2 The contestants in Dan division must perform a different set of Two (2) Poomsae for each of the preliminary, semi-final and final rounds for all competitions. Geup divisions may repeat the same Two (2) Poomsae in the subsequent rounds for all competitions.

**Note:** *Dan Division (A-Class) and Geup Division (B-Class) only will be eligible to compete in WT Promoted events.*

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## Article 10

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### Drawing of lots

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- 10.1 The drawing of lots shall be conducted by random computerized drawing in general at the Head of Team meeting one (1) day or two (2) days prior to the first competition day in the presence of WT officials, including the WT Technical Delegate, and representatives of the participating teams.
- 10.2 Drawing of lots should be conducted randomly for each round of the competition shall be made in accordance with the World Para Taekwondo Poomsae Ranking Bylaw.
- 10.3 In the case that computerized random draw is not available the WT Technical Delegate shall in consultation with the WT officials prepare for a manual drawing of lots and Recognized Poomsae.
- 10.4 The drawing color of each contestant, in the case of a manual draw, assigned at the drawing of lots session represents the order of contest. Blue (Chong) is the first contestant and Red (Hong) is the second.

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## Article 11

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### Prohibited acts & penalties

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- 11.1 Penalties for any prohibited act shall be declared by the Referee.
- 11.2 Penalties are defined as "Kyeong-go", and "disqualification".
- 11.3 The prohibited acts are as follows:
- 11.3.1 Uttering undesirable remarks or any misconduct on the part of a contestant or a coach.
- According to the judgment of the referee, a coach, an amateur contestant or Para-Taekwondo practitioners should have the manner and respect the code of conduct.
- 11.3.2 Athletes or coaches should not interrupt or stand in the way of the competition coordinators in the midst of the coordination activity during the competitions.
- 11.3.3 Should a contestant or coach be assessed two (2) Kyeong-go, the referee shall declare the contestant a loser by disqualification.



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## Article 12

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### Procedures of contest

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- 12.1 Call for contestants: Thirty (30) minutes prior to the scheduled start of the contest, the names of the contestants shall be announced three times to the contestants' training/warm-up area. Any contestant who fails to appear in the competition area after the "Chool-jeon" command of the competition coordinator shall be regarded as having withdrawn and forfeited the match.
- 12.2 Physical inspection and uniform inspection: After being called, the contestants shall undergo a physical inspection and a uniform inspection at the specified inspection desk by an inspector designated by the WT. The contestant shall not show any signs of aversion and shall not bear any object which may cause harm to the contestant.
- 12.3 Staging Area: On competitions with both Para Taekwondo and Taekwondo athletes, a separate staging area must be set close to the contest area, with enough privacy for the Para Taekwondo athletes and their support staff.
- 12.4 Entering the Contest Area: Following the inspection, the contestant shall enter the contestant waiting area with one coach accompanied, when required, max 2 (two) assistants.
- 12.5 Pre-contest and post-contest procedures
- 12.5.1 The contest shall begin after the declaration of "Chool-jeon", "Cha-ryeot", "Kyeong-rye", "Joon-bi" and "Shi-jak" by the competition coordinator;
- 12.5.2 When an athlete finishes a Poomsae they shall return to their starting position and stance at the coordinator's command of "Ba-ro", "Shio."
- 12.5.3 After the end of each Poomsae, the contestants shall remain in their respective positions and make a bow at the coordinator's command of "Cha-ryeot", "Kyeong-rye" and "She-uh". Contestants shall wait until the coordinator's declaration of "Pyo-chul".
- 12.5.4 At the end of the last Poomsae of the match both contestants shall be called onto the Mat and the referee shall declare the winner according to the results of the judges.
- 12.5.5 Contestants exit after the declaration of "Tae-jong "(exit the court).
- 12.6 Coordinator's Signals:
- 12.6.1 Field coordinator hand signals depending on the Methods of Competition
- Single elimination tournament system
  - Double elimination tournament system
  - Cut off system
  - Combination system (Cut off + elimination tournament system)

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## Article 13

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### Competition coordinator

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- 13.1 The Organizing Committee shall nominate competition coordinators who are WT recognized Dan holders and experts in taekwondo to officiate as competition coordinators.
- 13.2 For the P10 and P20 Sport Classes, the coach is allowed to give commands to their athlete, where needed.

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## Article 14

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### Recorder

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- 14.1 The recorder shall time the contest, including suspended time during the contest. The recorder shall also calculate, record and announce or display the total score.

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## Article 15

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### Procedures of suspending the contest

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When a contest is to be stopped during the competition, the referee shall take the measures prescribed in this article.

- 15.1 At the time of suspending the match, the referee shall order the recorders to suspend timekeeping during which time the competition coordinator shall examine the reason(s) for the stoppage of the competition.
- 15.2 In the case whereby a contest is stopped due to problems related to a contestant, and should a contestant not demonstrate the will to continue the contest within 90 seconds, the referee shall declare the opponent as the winner. In the case whereby the stoppage of a contest is not related to the contestants, the problem shall be resolved swiftly, and another chance of performance shall be given to pertinent contestants.
- 15.3 All other problems that may arise shall be resolved through the Competition Supervisory Board members.

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## Article 16

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### Scoring Criteria

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#### 16.1 Points

- The total score is 10.0 points.

#### 16.2 Scoring for Para Taekwondo Poomsae Competition is divided into two (2) point categories and the maximum points for each point category is as follows:

- Technical maximum points (4.0)
- Presentation maximum points (6.0)

#### 16.3 Technical scoring (4.0)

The scoring criteria for Accuracy is divided into two (2) sub-categories:

- Accuracy of basic technique such as Stance, Practicability of movement, Balance & Posture relative to the sport class (2.0)
- Accuracy of individual Hand & Foot techniques of Poomsae relative to the sport class (2.0)

#### 16.4 Presentation scoring (6.0)

The scoring criteria for Presentation is divided into the three (3) sub-categories:

- Memorization of recognized Poomsae Sequence relative to the sport class (2.0)
- Power/Speed/Rhythm & Tempo relative to the sport class (2.0)
- Expression of energy/Volume of Movement relative to the sport class (2.0)

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## Article 17

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### Methods of Scoring

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- 17.1 Scores shall be awarded at the end of the contestant's performance, taking into consideration the impact of the athlete's impairments, relative to each Sport Class
- 17.2 Technical (4.0)
- 17.2.1 Stance, Practicability of movement, Balance & Posture (2.0)
- Stance
- Check that all stances and Joonbi are executed correctly
- Practicability of Movements
- Sequence of directions in Poomsae;
  - Movements carried out in the correct order;
  - Turn in the correct direction;
  - Starting and finishing the Poomsae in the correct position;
- Balance
- Without wobbling, shuffling or hesitation
- Posture
- Techniques should be executed with the correct positioning of the feet, hands, & body. Looking the right direction according to individual capabilities
- 17.2.2 Hand & Foot techniques (2.0)
- The precision of each individual hand or foot technique such as punches, strikes, blocks and kicks.
- 17.3 Presentation (6.0)
- 17.3.1 Memorization of Recognized Poomsae Sequence (2.0)
- Ability to perform the Poomsae shall be evaluated on whether the techniques are performed in accordance with the characteristics of the pertinent movement.
  - The Poomsae should be recognizable, i.e. if watching without being told what Poomsae is being performed, judges should be able to recognize it.
- 17.3.2 Power / Speed / Rhythm / Tempo (2.0)
- Control of power means the strongest power shown at the most critical moment of the movement through speed and softness;
  - Control of speed means an appropriate connection between actions and changes of speed;
  - Rhythm means repeated actions according to set rules and length of note, and flow of power.
- 17.3.3 Expression of Energy / Volume of Movement (2.0)
- Whether actions are presented with quality and dignity that come from mastering of the energy;
  - Size of body action (volume of movement), concentration, courage, sharpness, confidence, etc. according to the characteristics of actions of Poomsae
- 17.4 Deduction of Points
- Restart (0.3) deduction, except P20 will apply once during the Poomsae performance.
  - Finishing outside the set contest time (All sport classes) (-0.3) points shall be deducted from the final scores.
  - Cross the line with both feet for P60 & P70; (-0.3) points shall be deducted from the final scores.

- No deduction for start and ending position being varied, except for P60, P70; (-0.3) points shall be deducted from final scores position varies more than one foot allowance.
- Only 1 major deduction (-0.3) points shall be deducted from the technical score for any major error.

### 17.5 Judges Paper / Referee Scoring Sheet

Division: \_\_\_\_\_ Competitors No: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Judges Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Court: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARA TAEKWONDO**  
**Referee Scoring Sheet**



Category	Sub-Category	Score Allocation									Score		
		Perfect	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Average	Below Average	Poor	Very Poor	Minimum Score			
Technical (4.0)	Stance and practicability of movement & Balance	2.0	1.9-1.8	1.7-1.6	1.5-1.4	1.3-1.2	1.1-1.0	0.9-0.8	0.7-0.6	0.5			
	Hand & Foot techniques	2.0	1.9-1.8	1.7-1.6	1.5-1.4	1.3-1.2	1.1-1.0	0.9-0.8	0.7-0.6	0.5			
	Technical Deduction Points	(- 0.3): Re-start, Move wrong direction, Wrong movements etc.							Deduction Score				
									Final Total Technical Score				
Presentation (6.0)	Memorization of recognized Poomsae	2.0	1.9-1.8	1.7-1.6	1.5-1.4	1.3-1.2	1.1-1.0	0.9-0.8	0.7-0.6	0.5			
	Power, Speed, Rhythm, Tempo	2.0	1.9-1.8	1.7-1.6	1.5-1.4	1.3-1.2	1.1-1.0	0.9-0.8	0.7-0.6	0.5			
	Expression of Energy / Volume of movement	2.0	1.9-1.8	1.7-1.6	1.5-1.4	1.3-1.2	1.1-1.0	0.9-0.8	0.7-0.6	0.5			
									Total Presentation Score				
										Total Score (10.0)			

Deductions (done by Operator):  wrong Poomsae (-0,6)  step out (-0,3)  under/over time (-0,3)

Judges Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Article 18

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### Publication of the scores

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- 18.1 The final score shall be announced immediately after collating the referee and judges' total scores.
- 18.2 In the case of using electronic scoring instruments
- 18.2.1 Judges shall input points in the electronic scoring instruments after the performance of Poomsae, and total points shall be automatically displayed on the monitors.
  - 18.2.2 The final score (average point) and the individual scores shall be displayed on the monitor following the automatic deletion of the highest and lowest scores in both technical and presentation among the referee and judges'.
- 18.3 In the case of manual scoring
- 18.3.1 The coordinator shall collect each scoring sheet and convey the results to the recorder immediately after the completion of the Poomsae.
  - 18.3.2 The recorder shall report the final score to the referee, following the deletion of the highest and lowest scores, and announce the final score or have the final score displayed.



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## Article 19

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### Decision and declaration of winner

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- 19.1 The winner shall be the contestant who is awarded more points in total.
- 19.2 In the case of a tied score, the following shall decide:
- 19.2.1 The winner shall be the contestant who is awarded more points in total.
- 19.2.2 In case of a tie score, the winner shall be the contestant who has more points in presentation.
- 19.2.3 In case the scores are still tied, then the one who has higher total points (total points of all judges, including highest and lowest points that were dropped) is the winner.
- 18.2.3.1 In case still tied: Rematch.
- 19.3 The rematch will feature one compulsory Poomsae that will be randomly drawn from among the compulsory Poomsae for the Sport Class. The previous score will not affect the score for the rematch.
- 19.3.1 In the case of a tied score after the rematch, the winner shall be the contestant who is awarded more points in total, including the highest and lowest scores from referee and judges.
- 19.4 Decisions
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| 19.4.1 Win by score  | (PTF) |
| 19.4.2 Win by withdrawal of opponent                               | (WDR) |
| 19.4.3 Win by double withdrawal                                    | (DWR) |
| 19.4.4 Win by disqualification of opponent                         | (DSQ) |
| 19.4.5 Win by double disqualification                              | (DDQ) |
| 19.4.6 Win by referee stop the contest                             | (RSC) |
| 19.4.7 Win by disqualification for unsportsmanlike behavior        | (DQB) |
| 19.4.8 Win by double disqualification for unsportsmanlike behavior | (DDB) |
| 19.4.9 Win by Bye  | (BYE) |

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## Article 20

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### Refereeing officials

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#### 20.1 Qualification of refereeing officials

##### 20.1.1 Referee & Judges:

20.1.2 Holder 3rd class International Poomsae Referee Certificate registered by the WT

20.1.3 Successfully attend an International Poomsae Referee Refresher Course in the two years previous to the pertinent competition

20.1.4 Successfully complete the WT Para Taekwondo Poomsae International Referee Course.

20.1.5 Successfully attend **one** WT Para Taekwondo Poomsae International Referee refresher course in two years.

#### 20.2 Duties of the refereeing officials

20.2.1 In the case there is any conflict of interest or something that can be perceived as a conflict of interest for a referee/judge assigned to a specific match, the referee/judge must declare this to the Referee Chair for the tournament.

##### 20.2.2 Referee

The referee shall document all valid points.

20.2.2.1 The referee shall declare the winner. The referee shall declare only after the judges' decision has been confirmed.

20.2.2.2 The referee shall issue "Kyeong-go" (deduction of points by penalties)

20.2.2.3 The referee is permitted to summon the judges during the competition, if the need arises

#### 20.3 Judges

20.3.1 The judges shall document all valid points.

20.3.2 The judges shall state their opinions forthrightly when requested to do so by the referee.

#### 20.4 Uniform of the refereeing officials

20.4.1 Refereeing officials shall wear uniforms designated by the WT.

20.4.2 Refereeing officials shall not carry or take any materials to the arena that might interfere with the contest.

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## Article 21

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### Formation and assignment of Refereeing officials

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- 21.1 Composition of refereeing officials shall be as follows;
  - 20.1.1 Five-judge system: one (1) referee, four (4) judges
  - 20.1.2 Three-judge system: one (1) referee, two (2) judges
  
- 21.2 Assignment of refereeing officials
  - 21.2.1 The assignment of the referees and judges shall be made after the contest schedule is fixed.
  - 21.2.2 Referees and judges with the same nationality as that of either contestant shall not be assigned to such a contest. However, exceptions can be made when the number of refereeing officials is insufficient.

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## Article 22

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### Competition Supervisory Board and Arbitration

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#### 22.1 Composition of the Competition Supervisory Board (CSB)

##### 22.1.1 Member qualifications;

22.1.1.1 6<sup>th</sup> WT recognized Dan.

22.1.1.2 Recommended by WT President or Secretary General

##### 22.1.2 Composition

22.1.2.1 One (1) Chairman

22.1.2.2 Three (3) members including the Technical Delegate (Chairman)

##### 22.1.3 Appointment of CSB

The Chairman and the members of the CSB shall be appointed by the WT President on the recommendation of the WT Secretary General.

#### 22.2 Responsibility

The CSB shall make corrections to misjudgments according to their decisions regarding protest and take disciplinary action against the officials who committed the misjudgment or other illegal behavior, the results of which shall be notified to the WT Secretary General. The CSB shall also be entitled the on-spot Sanction Committee concurrently at the competition for the matters in relation to competition management.

#### 22.3 Procedure of protest

22.3.1 In case there is an objection to a referee judgement, an official delegate of the team shall submit a WT-developed protest sheet, along with the protest fee of US\$200, to the CSB within 10 minutes after the end of the pertinent contest, so as to ensure that a decision on the result may be announced after 30 minutes.

22.3.2 Deliberation of a protest by the CSB shall be carried out;

22.3.2.1 Excluding those members with the same nationalities as the contestants concerned

22.3.2.2 A majority decision is required for resolution of the deliberation.

22.3.3 In order to ascertain facts, the members of the CSB may summon the refereeing officials of the contest concerned and question them.

22.3.4 The resolution made by the CSB shall be final and no further means of appeal is possible.

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## Article 23

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### Sanctions and appeal

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- 23.1 The WT President, Secretary General or Technical Delegate may request that an on-spot Extraordinary Sanctions Committee be convened for deliberation when unsportsmanlike behavior is committed by a coach, athlete, official, and/or any representative of a Member National Association (MNA).
- 23.1.1 Interfering with the competition management  
23.1.2 Agitating the spectators or spreading false rumor
- 23.2 The Extraordinary Sanctions Committee shall deliberate the matter and may summon person(s) concerned for confirmation of events.
- 23.3 When judged reasonable, the Extraordinary Sanctions Committee shall deliberate the matter and take disciplinary action with immediate effect. The result of deliberation shall be announced to the public and reported in writing with relevant facts and rationale to the WT President and Secretary General afterwards.
- 23.4 Potential violations on conduct of a contestant;
- 23.4.1 Refusing the referee's command to complete the ending procedures of the contest, including but not limited to bowing to the opponent at the end of the contest or participating in the declaration of the winner.  
23.4.2 Throwing belongings or equipment as an expression of dissatisfaction with the contest outcome.  
23.4.3 Not leaving the competition area after the contest.  
23.4.4 Not returning to a contest after a referee's repeated command.  
23.4.5 Not complying with the Competition official's ruling or command.  
23.4.6 Manipulation of scoring equipment.  
23.4.7 Any serious unsportsmanlike behavior during a contest or aggressive misconduct toward competition officials  
23.4.8 Non-co-operation during Athlete Classification or committing International Misrepresentation (IM).
- 23.5 Potential violations on conduct of a Coach, Official, or representatives of a MNA;
- 23.5.1 Complaining or arguing against an official's decision during or after a round.  
23.5.2 Arguing with the referee or other official(s);  
23.5.3 Violent behavior or remark toward officials, athletes, or spectators during a contest.  
23.5.4 Provoking spectators or spreading false rumors.  
23.5.5 Instructing athlete(s) to participate in misconduct, such as remaining in the competition area after a contest or refuse bowing.  
23.5.6 Violent behavior such as throwing or kicking personal belonging(s) or competition material(s);  
23.5.7 Not following instructions of competitions officials to leave the Field of Play or Venue.  
23.5.8 Instructing an athlete to Intentional Misrepresentation (IM) during classification and first appearance.  
23.5.9 Attempt to bribe competition officials.  
23.5.10 Any other serious misconducts toward competition officials.

- 23.5.11 To instruct an athlete not to cooperate during Athlete Classification or to commit International Misrepresentation (MI).
- 23.6 Disciplinary actions: Disciplinary actions issued by the Extraordinary Sanctions Committee may vary according to the degree of the violation. The following sanctions may be given:
- 23.6.1 Disqualification of the athlete
  - 23.6.2 Warning and order to issue official apology
  - 23.6.3 Removal of accreditation
  - 23.6.4 Ban from the Competition Venue
    - 23.6.4.1 Ban for the day
    - 23.6.4.2 Ban for the duration of the tournament
  - 23.6.5 Cancellation of Result
    - 23.6.5.1 Cancellation of the contest result and all related merits
    - 23.6.5.2 Cancellation of WT World Para Poomsae Ranking points
  - 23.6.6 Suspension of athlete, coach, team official from all WT activities (including CU and MNA-level activities)
    - 23.6.6.1 6 months suspension
    - 23.6.6.2 1 year suspension
    - 23.6.6.3 2 year suspension
    - 23.6.6.4 3 year suspension
    - 23.6.6.5 4 year suspension
  - 23.6.7 Ban of MNA from participating in WT Promoted or Sanctioned tournaments
    - 23.6.7.1 Specified championships and/or tournaments;
    - 23.6.7.2 All championships and tournaments for a specified period of time (up to four (4) years);
  - 23.6.8 Monetary fine of between US\$100 to US\$5,000 per violation
- 23.7 The Extraordinary Sanctions Committee may recommend to the WT that additional disciplinary actions be taken against the members involved, including but not limited to longer-term suspension, lifetime ban, and/or additional monetary fines.
- 23.8 Appeal to disciplinary action(s) taken by an Extraordinary Sanctions Committee may be made in accordance with Article 6 of the WT Bylaws of Dispute Resolution and Disciplinary Action.

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## Article 24

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### Other matters not specified in the Rules

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In the case that any matters not specified in these Rules occur, they shall be dealt with as follows;

- 24.1 Matter related to a contest shall be decided through consensus by the refereeing officials of the pertinent contest;
- 24.2 Matters not related to a specific contest throughout the championships such as technical matters, competition matters, etc. shall be decided by the Technical Delegate.