

Para Taekwondo Classification Committee

Conference call / September 22, 2019

- Meeting minutes -

Agenda Item 1 - Opening of meeting			
Comments		<p>All members were in attendance for the conference call. Chair – Ms. Terrie Moore (CAN) Vice Chair – Ms. Joan Hacken (AUS) Member – Ms. Judith Cameron (CAN) Member – Dr. David O’Sullivan (IRE) Member – Dr. Primoz Rus (SLO)</p> <p>WT Staff Mr. Olof Hansson Mr. Thomas Page</p> <p>Chair opened the meeting at 07:09 CET</p> <p>The committee members were informed of the changes in the Committee. And asked if anything needs to be added. Nothing to be added.</p>	
Decisions		✓ None	
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
None			

Agenda Item 2 - Terms of Reference for the Committee			
Comments		<p>Motion to approve the Terms of reference for the Classification Committee was discussed. Approved by Committee.</p>	
Decisions		✓ Terms Of Reference approved by Committee	
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
TOR to WT HQ	Send approved TOR to WT HQ	Thomas	ASAP September 24, 2019

Agenda Item 3 – Research			
Comments		<p>David gave an update on the research for Para Taekwondo Classification.</p> <p>David explained the outcomes of the Delphi Study. One outcome is the concern for the safety and fairness of athletes with a neurological impairment in Kyorugi. Poomsae Classes has not been looked at since WT has its main focus on Kyorugi. David requested help with clearing up the terminology in the research.</p> <p>Joan and Judi agreed to conduct a review of terminology and definitions of neurological impairments in poomsae.</p> <p>The Committee discussed on what do we do with the Neurological impaired athletes in Kyorugi. Will they have an opportunity to compete in Poomsae?</p> <p>David explained how data collection was made in Amman, Jordan for Para Taekwondo Kyorugi research and that the next data collection session on October 31, 2019 in Bari, Italy.</p> <p>Olof – Explained about the research Angelo Davalli is undertaking. Classification data in the K40 Sport Classes are reviewed to get a better understanding of what the athlete base looks like as well as search for correlation between level of impairment and World Ranking position. The findings can contribute to the discussion of changes to the K40 Sport Classes.</p>	
Decisions		<p>✓ A working group for Para Taekwondo research should be set up.</p>	
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
Data Collection	Data collection for Bari, Italy	David O’Sullivan	2019-01-29 (&30)
Research Follow Up	Contact Angelo to see when review will be completed.	Olof Hansson	2019- 10-02
working group	Recommendation for working group for research for Para Taekwondo Classification	Terrie Moore / Thomas Page	By next conference call

Agenda Item 4 – Report From IPC Head of Classification Meeting	
Discussion	<p>Terrie - Sean Tweedy is pushing for professionalization of Classifiers using centers around the world. Many NPCs and IFs were opposed to generic classification and found that it was not practical. Most sports use Observation Assessment as a final stage of athlete evaluation</p>

	<p>An External Committee to review MDFs was also suggested.</p> <p>The IF representatives at the IPC Head of Classification meeting did not agree with these suggestions.</p> <p>Management of protest and appeal. IF protests should be used more in the viewpoint of IPC. Further discussion in the WT Classification Committee is required on how protests and appeals should be handled in Para Taekwondo. The Committee also needs to discuss if they should implement the IPC Board Of Appeals (BOA).</p> <p><u>The Committee agreed</u> that we will wait and see what develops with IPC.</p> <p>The Committee asked if an independent group be set up with APSO? And the committee agreed that external Independent review for appeal is always helpful.</p> <p>Discussion on Chief Classifier education should be added to the agenda for the next meeting.</p> <p>The policy on MS for clarity and education of athlete, officials and IPC should also be further discussed.</p>		
Decisions	<p>✓ Decision on Management of Appeal Committee members support Independent Review board.</p>		
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
APSO	Information on APSO's view on IPC board of appeals	Olof	By next Conference call (After Oct 29)
	Add Chief Classifier Training for next agenda	Thomas Page	By next conference call

Agenda Item 5 – Rules and Updates and Issues	
Comments	<p>The Committee agrees that a review of Sport Classes is required. David is working on Kyorugi. No changes can be made until after Tokyo.</p> <p>The timeline for revision of rules - All needs to be done by October 2020 for the WT General Assembly.</p>

	<p>Committee timelines need to meet the deadline for submissions</p> <p>Things to consider for rule revisions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feedback from Peter from IPC during the IF meeting days is that IPC does not Understand the mix of impairments in K44. - Spectator understanding of the Para Taekwondo Sport Classes is also difficult to promote with the current Sport Classes. - There is an issue with athletes with feet impairments in K40 Sport class. The Committee should consider removing foot/leg impairment form Kyorugi. <p>The Committee agrees that there needs to be a look into improved protective equipment for Para Taekwondo athletes.</p> <p>Olof – informed of development of new equipment.</p> <p>The Committee informed that protective equipment cannot compromise the Minimum Impairment Criteria and that equipment should be approved in classification.</p> <p>Olof – Informed that Para Taekwondo Committee has held its first Conference call and that following the call submitted proposal for ad-hoc Committee for protective equipment.</p> <p>The Committee fully supports a proposal for standardized and personal equipment guidelines.</p> <p>The Committee discussed and agreed that the classification documentation needs to be improved. A new evaluation form to be circulated and compared with Angelo’s system .</p>
Decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Removal of Hypertonia, Ataxia and Athetosis from Kyorugi after Tokyo 2020 ✓ WTCS to be updated with downloadable form ✓ Chief Classifier and Medical should have access to WTCS before competition to review MDF’s ✓ Classification Information form to be added to WTCS

	✓ Committee supports project for protective equipment.		
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
New Evaluation Form	Send to committee new evaluation form drafted by Terrie.	Tommy	With Minutes
New Evaluation Form	Committee to review form	Committee	September 30, 2019

Agenda Item 6 – Classifier Uniformes / Competition Dress 2020			
Comments	<p>Olof – asked for specifications on the Classifier Uniform to take to WT superiors.</p> <p>Committee informed that color is set for Classifier uniforms. Track suit and uniform needed.</p> <p>Olof – explained the process of IR uniforms.</p> <p>Committee agreed to the idea of standardized jacket ordered from the same provider. Color scheme should be set.</p> <p>Committee requested polo shirts for classification. Ties and scarves for use on FOP.</p>		
Decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Detailed uniform guidelines to be set with color scheme ✓ WT to follow up on suit jackets for classifiers. ✓ WT to get scarves and ties 		
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
Uniform Guidelines	Draft uniform guidelines	Thomas	Oct 10 2019
Uniform Guidelines	Review	Committee	By next conference call
Uniform and dress code	Contact WT Seoul Office on how to get Classifier Polos and Blazers with WT Logo	Thomas Page	Following next conference call

Agenda Item 7 – 2020 Competitions	
Comments	Committee agreed that if there is more than one panel a chief classifier is needed.

	<p>Olof - How many athletes can be seen in a day by one panel?</p> <p>Committee - 20 athletes per panel should be set as a maximum. Classifiers should not be classifying more than 4 hours without a break. And no more than 8 hours a day. Accordingly, over 24 athletes a second panel should be used. Extensions can be made to the 8 hours in the case more breaks are added. If not, stupid mistakes happen at the end of the day.</p>		
Decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Maximum of 24 athletes for 1 panel with 20min breaks after 4 hours. ✓ Chief Classifier to run classification but no other tasks ✓ If 2 panels or more chief classifier needed 		
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
WT Admin rules of Classifiers	Amendment proposal maximum number of athletes per panel per day and when a second panel is needed	?	By next conference call

Agenda Item 8 – Classifier Database			
Comments	<p>Committee ask that the WTCS also hold a database of classifiers and use the database as Athletics does to inform classifiers of upcoming competitions. National Classifiers will be tracked with a separate spreadsheet.</p>		
Decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ International Classifiers to be integrated in WTCS ✓ Spread sheet database for National Classifiers 		
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
WTCS	Contact IPC regarding additional calendar of WT International Classifier availability	Thomas Page	Oct 10

Agenda Item 9 – National Classifier Course	
Comments	<p>Olof – requested a document to be put together for National Classifier educational concept and program with specifications to be compiled.</p> <p>Terrie – to work together with Thomas to compile information</p>

Decisions		✓ National Classifier educational concept and program with specifications to be compiled.	
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
National Classifier Course	Draft v1 National Classifier educational concept and program with specifications to be compiled	Thomas Page / Terrie Moore	By next conference call

Agenda Item 10 – International Classifier Course			
Comments		Same as point 9	
Decisions		✓ International Classifier educational concept and program with specifications to be compiled.	
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
International Classifier Course	Draft v1 International Classifier educational concept and program with specifications to be compiled	Thomas Page / Terrie Moore	By next conference call

Agenda Item 11 – Classification Committee Meeting Dates and Location			
Comments		<p>Committee discussed how many face to face meetings are required in the coming months.</p> <p>Committee recommended that 1 meeting be held in 2019 and 1-2 meetings in 2020. While conference call as preferred and most can be handled by conference call. However, a meeting in December would be good to finalize the education programs. And a face to face meeting for Classification research and rules.</p>	
Decisions		✓ Face to face meeting in December 2019 is strongly recommended.	
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
2019 Meeting	Rational for face to face meeting and to develop education material	Thomas / Terrie / Olof	End of October 2019

Agenda Item 12 – Information on Distribution of Minutes following the meeting			
Comments		Olof informs of procedures of meeting minutes	
Decisions			
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
Minutes	Draft v1 to committee	Thomas	22-09-2019
Minutes	Feedback from committee	Committee	30-09-2019

Agenda Item 13 – Classification Evaluation			
Comments		Terrie - The athlete evaluation working group will remain the same with the addition of Primoz.	
Decisions		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Primoz added to the Classification Evaluation Working Group (MDF) ✓ Amine will stay on the working group ✓ David will be kept consulting on technical issues. 	
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
WTCS	Give access new athlete MDF to Primoz Rus	Thomas	Oct 2 nd

Agenda Item 14 – Other Matters			
Comments		None	
Decisions		✓ None	
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
None			

Agenda Item 15 – Next conference call			
Comments		November 2019	
Decisions		✓ Next Conference call November 2019	
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
2 nd Conference call	Organize dates for 2 nd conference call	Terrie / Thomas	Oct 10

Agenda Item 16– Closing of Meeting			
Comments		Terrie – Meeting adjourned at 09:15 CET	
Decisions		✓ None	
Follow up	Instructions	By who	By when
None			