

TEAM UNIFORM REGULATIONS - SITTING VOLLEYBALL

Background

In order to present a professional image of all Sitting Volleyball teams to the world, team uniforms for players and team Officials must follow certain principles of uniformity of appearance and be consistent for all World ParaVolley events. Given the power of broadcasting and social media, this is particularly important.

Wherever possible, World ParaVolley Members are encouraged to take every opportunity to maximise their National identity and their World ParaVolley identity on all clothing, equipment and accessories.

This may be achieved through the use of:

- The NPC or World ParaVolley Member's emblem/logo
- The official National colours
- The official country name and/or the three letter official IOC/IPC country code
- The World ParaVolley official logo. Use of the World ParaVolley logo on the sleeves of garments is strongly encouraged.

World ParaVolley wishes to encourage the use of sponsors/advertising on team jerseys in order to help teams finance their participation in events, and thus to develop competitions and the image of our sport.

Important: At the present time IPC do not permit any advertising on team uniforms at the Paralympic Games or at other IPC properties such as the Parapan American Games.

Please note that the following advertising is not allowed:

- No tobacco advertising
- No advertising that could be prejudicial to any ethnic, religious or political group
- No sponsors considered by World ParaVolley as being competitive to World ParaVolley sponsors or suppliers (if in doubt, please contact the World ParaVolley General Manager or Technical Commission)

Sitting Volleyball Team Uniforms

Shorts

All Team members wearing shorts must wear shorts that are identical in colour and design. Manufacturer marks do not have to be identical on all shorts but they must be of the regulation size. It is advised that to ensure all shorts are of the same colour and there is no variation, a single manufacturer is used. Shorts, which by definition are at or above the knee, may be tailored in line with a player's physical impairment. Shorts must not display the player number.

Compression garments

Tight fitting compression garments are permitted underneath team shorts, providing that they are the same colour as the shorts or black or white or neutral colours. They may display a manufacturer mark that meets the regulations but must not display any other branding or marketing message.

Players wishing to wear full-length leg compression garments may do so under long pants but they must not be padded.

Long pants

All Team members wearing long pants must wear long pants of identical colour and design. Manufacturer marks do not have to be identical on all long pants but they must be of the regulation size. It is advised that to ensure all long pants are of the same colour and there is no variation, a single manufacturer is used. Long pants may be shortened in line with a player's physical impairment, for example for single and double amputees. Long pants must not display the player number.

It is not permitted to wear team shorts together with long pants.

Padding

No padding is permitted on any part of the shorts, long pants or compression garments, with the exception being compression garments that include knee and elbow padding in the design. Knee, ankle and elbow pads are permitted but:

- a) these should match the team colour(s) being worn, or be of a neutral colour – black or white, and
- b) be of the same colour and style for any team members wearing them.

Socks

Socks are part of the playing uniform and must all be of identical colour. They may vary in length in line with player impairments. If there is a manufacturer mark it must be of the regulation size.

Shoes

Shoes are not part of the playing uniform and may vary in make and design between individual players.

Shoes must not mark the court.

Players may play without shoes but - in order to maintain high standards of hygiene - are not permitted to play barefoot or with a stump exposed.

Jerseys (Shirts)

The letters of the player names must be the exact sizes. The font chosen must be easy to read.

The sizes given for numbers on the jerseys, 15cm on the front and 20cm on the back, are minimum sizes. However, these sizes are recommended in order to establish consistency and to leave space for sponsor advertising. The font chosen must be easy to read.

All letters and numbers (player's registered jersey name and players' numbers) on the player uniforms and warming up suits must be Latin characters and must be in contrasting colours to the part of the uniform and/or warming up suit where they are placed.

For media, promotion and spectator purposes, the names of players are required on the back of jerseys. As well as being the regulation size, the names should be clearly visible to the media and to all spectators.

The national flag/NPC emblem and country/territory name must appear on the front upper left side of the playing jersey, with a minimum size of 36cm² and a maximum size of 40cm². Only the country/territory name or the IOC/IPC code may be below the national flag/NPC emblem. The size of the IOC/IPC code or the country/territory name must be clearly visible and be of the same length as the country flag/NPC emblem.

Jerseys must be worn inside the shorts or long pants unless the shirt design does not allow, or special permission is given by the Technical Delegate and/or Chief Classifier for medical reasons.

Players must wear their playing uniform at all times on the field of play and no other jerseys are allowed.

Libero players

The Libero player(s) must wear a uniform (or jacket/bib for the re-designated Libero) which has a different contrasting colour from the rest of the team. A reversal of the team jersey design, with the same colours as those being worn, is not permitted. The Libero uniforms must be numbered like the rest of the team.

Warm-up or Training Suits

Where training suits are worn in the warm-up courts or in the competition control area, they must be of the same colour and style for the entire team and when worn by team officials.

Training Suit Jackets must have the same specifications as the playing jerseys regarding homologated manufacturer's logo and country flag, country name or NPC Code.

The country name is to be displayed on the back of the warm-up suit jacket (centred in the middle of the jacket).

The player's registered jersey name (to be placed above the country name) may also be displayed on the back of the warming up suit jacket.

Training Suit Pants may have a homologated manufacturer's logo on the front left side but it must fit within a rectangle 6 cm long and 5 cm high.

Note: Players must wear their playing uniform for warm-up on the competition court and no other jerseys are allowed.

Team Officials

Team Officials include the Coach, Assistant Coaches, Doctor and Therapist (up to 5 people).

The Team Official uniform may include a warm-up suit or shorts and polo shirt (including a collar) or a jacket, collared shirt, tie and formal pants/slacks. These must be the same for all Team Officials.

On the back of warm-up suits, Team Officials may have a) name, b) Official title as in Rules of the Game (Coach, Assistant Coach, Doctor, Therapist), c) Name or three letter code for the nation. These should be in the above order with the name at the top.



Formal, tailored dress shorts (not team athlete shorts or beach shorts, etc.) may be worn by Team Officials.

Four officials "on the bench" (Coach, 2 Assistant Coaches, and Doctor), must conform to either of the above dress code options.

The Therapist may wear the official warm-up suit and polo shirt (including collar) regardless of the dress code chosen by the other bench personnel.

Any officials wearing the jacket, collared dress shirt, tie and formal slacks will not be allowed on the playing court during the warm up.

Officials "on the bench" must be consistently dressed at all times during the warm-up and the match (except the Therapist).

For further clarification and questions, please contact the World ParaVolley Sport Director: sportdirector@worldparavolley.org