

## World ParaVolley Athletes' Commission Regulations

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### **1. Aims/Responsibilities**

- 1.1. To establish and ensure an effective method of communication with athletes in all appropriate international forums.
- 1.2 To act as an athlete advisory body.

### **2. Functions/Representation**

- 2.1 The Athletes Commission shall advise the relevant departments concerning the welfare of athletes taking part in World ParaVolley events.
- 2.2 The Athletes Commission shall assist all other existing and future Committees and Commissions.
- 2.3 The Athletes Commission shall advise where appropriate in all aspects of organizing events.

### **3. Athletes Assembly**

- 3.1 The Athletes Assembly shall be held at the World Championships, where the appropriate elections shall take place.
- 3.2 Nomination Procedure
  - 3.2.1 Nomination forms must be sent out three (3) months in advance of the relevant Athletes Assembly to the World ParaVolley nations.
  - 3.2.2 Each country will be requested to nominate up to four male or female athletes as candidates for the Commission – one per World ParaVolley discipline (Standing and Sitting Indoor, Beach Standing and Sitting) to ensure wide representation. Nominees must be active athletes or athletes who have retired within the last five (5) years. Nominations must be sent to the World ParaVolley General Manager no later than 48 hours before the Athletes' Assembly.
- 3.3 The Athletes' Assembly shall normally consist of:
  - 3.3.1 The full present Athletes' Commission.

- 3.3.2 One (1) appointed international Athlete, per discipline and per country, who is presently competing in World ParaVolley competitions.
- 3.3.3 The only persons eligible to vote in the election of the Athletes' Commission are the persons referred to in art. 3.3.2.

#### **4. Athletes' Commission Representatives**

The relevant representatives of the Athletes' Commission shall be elected at the World Championship and shall normally consist of minimum 3 and maximum 6 members:

- The Chairperson
- The Representative of Standing Volleyball
- The Representative of Sitting Volleyball – Men
- The Representative of Sitting Volleyball - Women
- The Representative of Beach Standing Volleyball
- The Representative of Beach Sitting Volleyball
- A Secretary to be appointed from amongst the above representatives, excluding the Chairperson

#### **5. Athletes' Commission Meetings**

- 5.1 The Athletes' Commission shall communicate with the World ParaVolley Board of Directors through the Sport Director, and meet the Sport Director and/or the Board when appropriate.
- 5.2 The quorum shall be 4 of the elected members.
- 5.3 All elected members of the Athletes' Commission shall have the right to vote. In the event of a tie in any voting, the Chairperson shall have a deciding vote.
- 5.4 The Chairperson shall convene meetings during World Championships or at the request of the Sport Director or of the World ParaVolley Board of Directors.

#### **6. Reporting**

- 6.1 The Secretary of the Athletes Commission is responsible for keeping accurate records of information.
- 6.2 The Chairperson of the Athletes Commission will report all relevant items from Board of Directors meetings to the Athletes Commission, within one month of receiving the official minutes/information.
- 6.3 Minutes of the Athletes Commission meeting will be circulated to the members of the Sport Director as soon as possible.



- 6.4 A copy of the recommendations of the Athletes Commission will be presented at the next World ParaVolley Board of Directors meeting by the Sport Director. The Board of Directors will make decisions on the recommendations after having consulted with the Sport Director and the relevant commissions/committees as required.
- 6.5 The Chairperson shall submit a report to the World ParaVolley Sport Director, to be included as a part of the Sport Department report to the General Assembly. The Athlete Commission report shall be sent to the World ParaVolley Sport Director at least two (2) months before the relevant General Assembly.