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**STANDING PROCEDURES**  
FOR PARA TAEKWONDO COMPETITION AT THE PARALYMPIC GAMES

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## Article 1

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### Purpose

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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 Para Taekwondo Competition Rules of the WT, hereinafter known as the “WT Competition Rules”

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

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## Article 2

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### Competition Area

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The Competition Area (one court) for the Paralympic Games shall be installed on a platform 0.6 m – 1 m high from the base and the outer part of the Boundary Line shall be over 2.0 m wide. The outer part of the platform shall be inclined at a gradient of less than 30 degrees for the safety of the contestants 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.

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## Article 3

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### Sport Classes & Eligibility

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

MENS SPORT CLASSES		WOMEN SPORT CLASSES	
K44 (+K43)	Athletes who meet the impairment criteria of the K44 and K43 Sport Classes of the WT Athlete Classification Rules	K44 (+K43)	Athletes who meet the impairment criteria of the K44 and K43 Sport Classes 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 Taekwondo Dan issued by WT/Kukkiwon or a MNA recognized 5-1 Geup

- 2.3 Holder of a valid WT Global Athlete Licence (GAL) for the year 2020

- 2.4 Contestant shall be at least 16 years old by December 31, 2020

- 2.5 Athlete must be Internationally Classified in accordance with the WT Athlete Classification Rules and be assigned a K44 or K43 Sport Class and Confirmed (C) or Fixed Review Date (FRD) (with a review date after December 31, 2020) Sport Class Status prior to the Paralympic Games. Athletes found Not Eligible (NE) or who classifies in the K42 and K41 Sport Classes will not be able to qualify for or compete at the Paralympic Games.

- 2.6 The athlete must have participated in at least one (1) WT World Para Taekwondo Ranking event in the pertinent Sport Class and Weight Category between January 1, 2018 and April 30, 2020 (May 2020 WT World Para Taekwondo Ranking).

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**Article 4**

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**Weight divisions**

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Weight divisions at the Paralympic Games are divided as follows:

MENS WEIGHT DIVISIONS		WOMENS WEIGHT DIVISIONS	
Under 61 kg	Not exceeding 61 kg	Under 49 kg	Not exceeding 49 kg
Under 75 kg	Over 61 kg & not exceeding 75 kg	Under 58 kg	Over 49 kg & not exceeding 58 kg
Over 75 kg	Over 75 kg	Over 58 kg	Over 58 kg

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## Article 5

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### Head of Team meeting and Drawing of Lots

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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. Based on the August 2020 (including all ranking points up until July 31, 2020) WT World Para Taekwondo Ranking, all athletes will be seeded in the order of their ranks.
3. There shall be no reseeding and no redraw even if athletes in the same bracket are disqualified
4. The seeded athletes of each weight division will be announced on the WT website at the earliest on August 5, 2020 based on the August 2020 WT World Para Taekwondo Ranking after completion of the entry submission process ending on August 3, 2020. If an athlete from the host nation has not been seeded within the top four (4), based on his/her WT World Para Taekwondo Ranking, he/she will be seeded 4<sup>th</sup>.

The Paralympic Games host nation's National Paralympic Committee shall receive three (3) athlete quota slots of which at least one has to be for a women event. All the host quota athletes shall be seeded in fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) place or higher, if they individually hold a world ranking of first (1<sup>st</sup>), second (2<sup>nd</sup>) or third (3<sup>rd</sup>) on the August 2020 WT World Para Taekwondo Ranking.

5. 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.

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## Article 6

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### Competition Method

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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 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 in the elimination phase of the tournament. In the repechage, the eliminated contestants in the semi-finals during the elimination phase will be seeded directly to each of the repechage finals (bronze medal contest), but on the opposite sides of the bracket.

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 4<sup>th</sup> round, also known as the “golden point” round, will be conducted after a minute of rest following the 3<sup>rd</sup> round. In principle, any points from the previous rounds shall not be taken into consideration in the golden point round, the winner shall be decided based on the following criteria:
  - 2.1 The contestant to score the first point
    - 2.1.1 Only in the golden point round will two Gam-jeom (point deductions) count as one point for the opponent.
  - 2.2 The contestant who achieved a higher number of hits registered (but below the set hit level) by the PSS during the golden point round
  - 2.3 If the number of hits registered by the PSS is tied, the contestant who won more rounds in the first three rounds
  - 2.4 If the number of won rounds are tied the athlete who has scored more three (3) and four (4) point foot techniques in the first three rounds shall be declared the winner
  - 2.5 In the number of rounds won is tied, the contestant who received less number of Gam-jeom during all four rounds
  - 2.6 In the case athletes are still tied the referee and judges shall determine superiority based on the content of the golden point round. If the superiority decision is tied among the referee and judges, the referee shall decide the winner.



3. Official standing of each division shall be as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place (Gold medalist): winner of the final contest
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place (Silver medalist): defeated contestant in the final contest
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place (2) (Bronze medalists): winners of the bronze medal contests
- 5<sup>th</sup> place (2) defeated in the bronze medal contests
- 7<sup>th</sup> place (2) defeated in the repechage elimination stage 2
- 9<sup>th</sup> place (4) defeated in the repechage elimination stage 1
- 12<sup>th</sup> place any contestant who failed weigh-in
- No place disqualified contestants

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 a Sport Class and weight division 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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## Article 7

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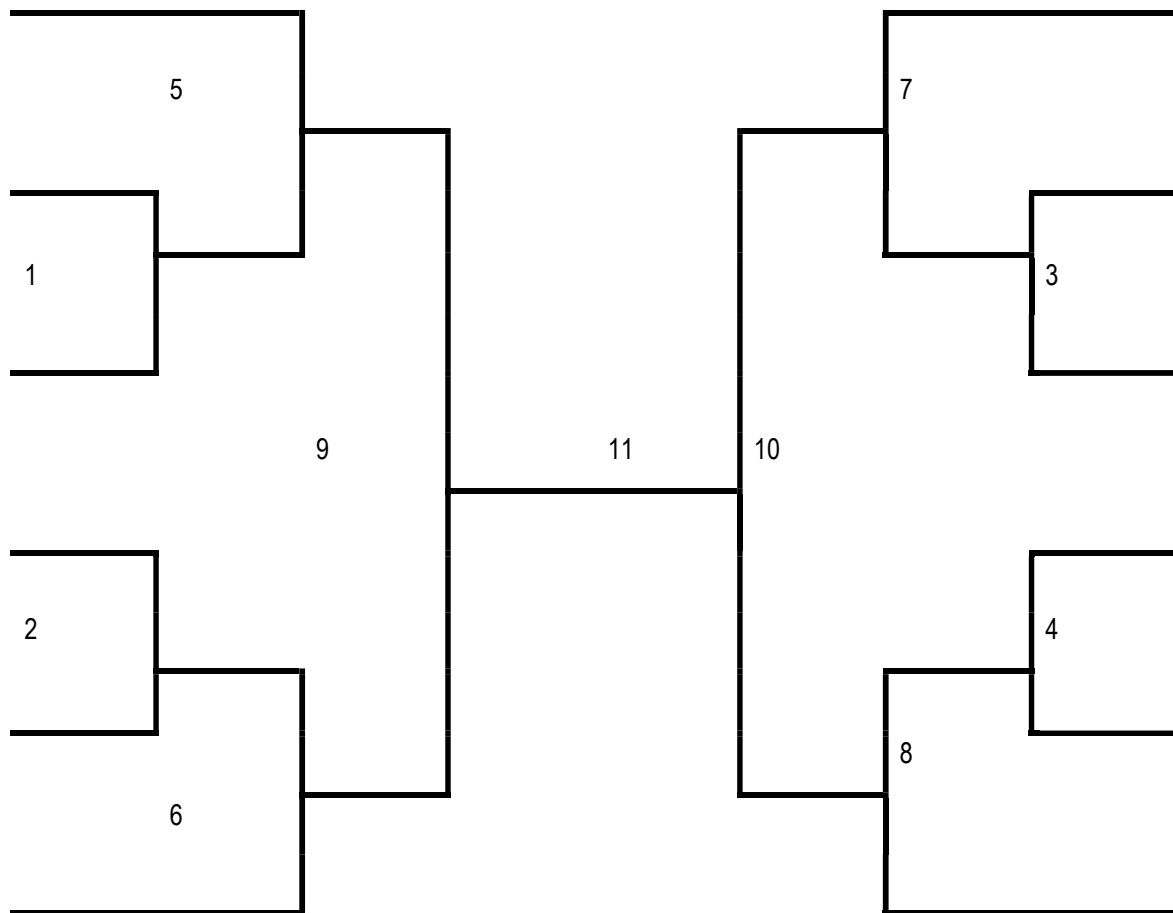
### Competition Overview

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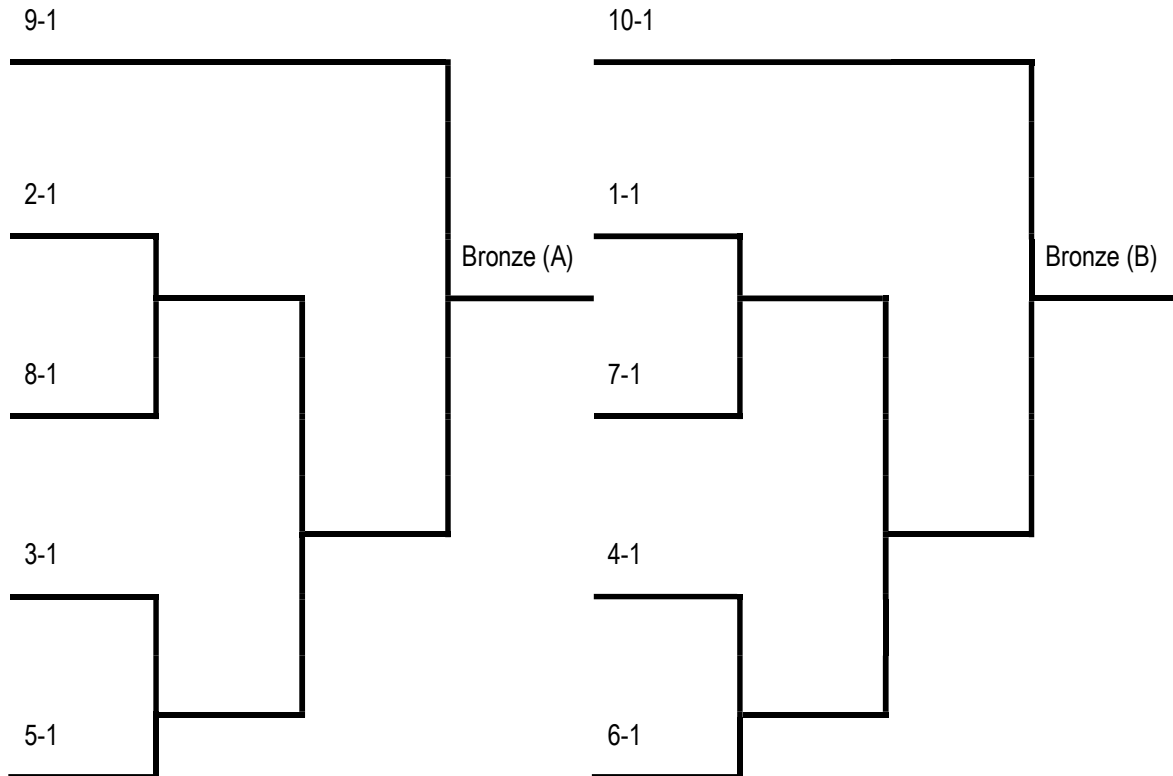
1. The Para Taekwondo Competitions of the Paralympic Games will be held over three days with the following medal events each day:

MEDAL EVENT	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3
Men	K44 under 61 kg	K44 under 75 kg	K44 over 75 kg
Women	K44 under 49 kg	K44 under 58 kg	K44 over 58 kg

2. 12 athlete single elimination with repechage



Bronze medal brackets (Eliminated athletes from above 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
Men	K44 under 61 kg	19	K44 under 75 kg	19	K44 over 75 kg	19
Women	K44 under 49 kg	19	K44 under 58 kg	19	K44 over 58 kg	19
Total No. of matches		38		38		38

4. Number of matches per session

SESSION	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3
Morning	20 matches	20 matches	20 matches
Afternoon	18 matches	18 matches	18 matches

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## Article 8

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### Technical Officials

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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).

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Article 9

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Appeal

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1. Procedures on appeal shall be in accordance with the WT Competition Rules.

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**Article 10**

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**Paralympic Quota**

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Para Taekwondo Medal events and athlete quota for the 2020 Tokyo Paralympic Games

Athletes & Medal Events									
	Athletes	Sport Class	Weight divisions & No. of Athletes			Medal Events	Medals		
							G	S	B
Men	36	K44 (+K43)	-61kg	-75kg	+75kg	3	3	3	6
			12	12	12				
Women	36	K44 (+K43)	-49kg	-58kg	+58kg	3	3	3	6
			12	12	12				
Total	72	2	72			6	6	12	

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## Article 11

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### Criteria for quota allocation for the Paralympic Games

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Qualification system – Tokyo 2020 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. Any athlete positioned in the top four (4) of the WT World Para Taekwondo Ranking in the K44 Sport Classes and top two (2) in the K43 WT World Para Taekwondo Ranking, hereinafter known as “World Ranking”, in the pertinent event as of the January 2020 WT World Para Taekwondo Ranking (including all points up until December 31, 2019) shall automatically qualify a place for him/her representing the NPC with a maximum of one (1) athlete per NPC per medal event.
  - 3.1 Athletes who qualify in the K44 World Ranking can only be replaced by an athlete from K44 as well as athletes who qualify in the K43 World Ranking can only be replaced by an athlete from K43.
  - 3.2 In the case a NPC qualifies athletes in the same event through the K44 and K43 World Ranking, only one (1) athlete may be selected. The quota in the Sport Class not selected shall be reallocated to the next highest ranked contestant in the World Ranking provided the replacement does not exceed the national quota of the reallocated NPC of three (3) men and three (3) women events.
  - 3.3 If the quota place was obtained through the World 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 Ranking in the pertinent event at a point in time between January 2020 World Ranking and May 2020 World Ranking.
  - 3.4 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 “Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games Qualification Guide”
  - 3.5 In the case the NPC rejects the place it shall be reallocated to the next highest ranked contestant in the World Ranking provided the replacement does not exceed the national quota of the reallocated NPC of three (3) men and three (3) women events.



4. An MNA can qualify a maximum number of three (3) men and three (3) women athletes for the NPC through the World Ranking as of January 2020. Any NPC who has obtained a minimum of two (2) men and two (2) women athletes slots via the World 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 two (2) men and two (2) women athletes through the World Ranking they **shall** be allowed to compete for the additional places via the Continental Qualification tournaments.
6. The host NPC directly qualifies three (3) athletes for three (3) medal events. The athletes must be the host country's highest ranked athletes in their respective event on the January 2020 WT World Para Taekwondo Ranking. At least one (1) medal event must be a women event. Should the host country obtain any slot(s) via the WT World Para Taekwondo 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 January 13, 2020. 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 three (3) 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 one World Ranking event 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, 2020.
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 2020 and April 2020.
  - 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 Continental Qualification tournaments athletes classified in the K44 & K43 Sport Classes will be combined into Men's K44 and Women's K44. Athletes classified in the K44 and K43 Sport Classes may be selected and entered into the Continental Qualification tournament by the pertinent MNA.

- 9.4 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 Ranking as of May 2020 (including results up until April 30, 2020) from the pertinent continent shall obtain the quota place.
  - 9.5 In the case no athlete from the pertinent continent appears on the World Ranking in the K44 Sport Class and Weight Category the quota will be allocated through BIP.
  - 9.6 A MNA, other than the host country, may participate in Continental Qualification tournament as long as:
    - 9.6.1 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 Ranking;
    - 9.6.2 The number of athletes qualified through World Ranking of the pertinent NPC does not exceed the minimum quota of two (2) men and two (2) women places respectively.
10. International Classification will be available at all Continental Qualification tournaments

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## Article 12

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### Reallocation of unused quota places

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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 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 three (3) men and three (3) 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

1<sup>st</sup> place

2<sup>nd</sup> place

3<sup>rd</sup> place (the athlete who lost the semifinals against the 1<sup>st</sup> place athlete)

4<sup>th</sup> place (the athlete who lost the semifinals against the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

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## Article 13

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### Doping Test

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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.

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## Article 14

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### Entry procedure

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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 (August 3 ,2020), 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 Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.

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## Article 15

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### Other matters

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Those matters not prescribed in the Procedures will be dealt with in accordance with the Tokyo 2020 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.

Qualification system – Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games Qualification Guide - prevails over this document when it comes to qualification.

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## Article 16

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### Amendments and effectuation

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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 January 1, 2018