

14.8.3 Uniforms. The referee and umpire shall wear either a uniform provided by the competition host or the customary uniform of the official's home country.

PART 15: TRACK & FIELD TECHNICAL RULES: TRACK EVENTS

15.1 ELIGIBILITY

15.1.1 Age divisions. Track events may be offered in the Futures (6 years and younger), Junior (three subdivisions of 7-9, 10-12, and 13-15 years), Open (any age), and Masters (35 years and older) Divisions. Athletes who choose to compete in the Open Division may not compete in the same event (e.g., 60m run) in another age division.

15.1.2 Sex divisions. Separate events shall be held for males and females in all individual events. The competition host shall determine whether separate relay events shall be held for males and females, or whether to offer mixed relays consisting of two males and two females.

15.1.3 Classifications

15.1.3.1 World Dwarf Games. The IDAF lower-body classification system shall be used in Open and Masters Division swimming events. The IDAF juniors division classification system shall be used in juniors division events. Refer to Part 2 of this rule book for further information.

15.1.3.2 Other IDAF sanctioned or approved competitions. Use of classifications at other IDAF sanctioned or approved events is at the discretion of the competition host.

15.1.3.3 IPC sanctioned or approved competitions. The International Paralympic Committee (IPC) classification system may be substituted for the IDAF upper-body system when IDAF events are sanctioned or approved by IPC.

15.2 EVENTS. The following events may be offered at IDAF sanctioned or approved meets.

15.2.1 Individual events

	Futures 6 & younger	Juniors 7-9	Juniors 10-12	Juniors 13-15	Open	Masters 35 & older
Wheelchair slalom	X	X	X	X	X	X
15m run	X					
20m run	X	X				
40m run		X	X			
60m run			X	X	X	X
100m run				X	X	X
200m run					X	X

15.2.2 Relay events

	Futures 6 & younger	Juniors 7-9	Juniors 10-12	Juniors 13-15	Open	Masters 35 & older
4 x 100m relay					WDG	X
4 x 60m shuttle relay				WDG		X
4 x 40m shuttle relay			WDG			
4 x 20m shuttle relay	WDG					

15.3 RULES

15.3.1 IPC rules. The conduct of IDAF individual and relay track events shall comply with International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Athletics Rule 17/The Start, Rule 18/The Race, Rule 19/The Finish, Rule 20/Timing and Photo Finish, Rule 22/Ties, and Rule 23/Relay Races. The IPC athletics rules are posted at http://ipc-athletics.paralympic.org/export/sites/ipc_sports_athletics/Downloads/2011_2012_IPC_Athletics_Rules_Regulations_updated_Jan_2012.pdf

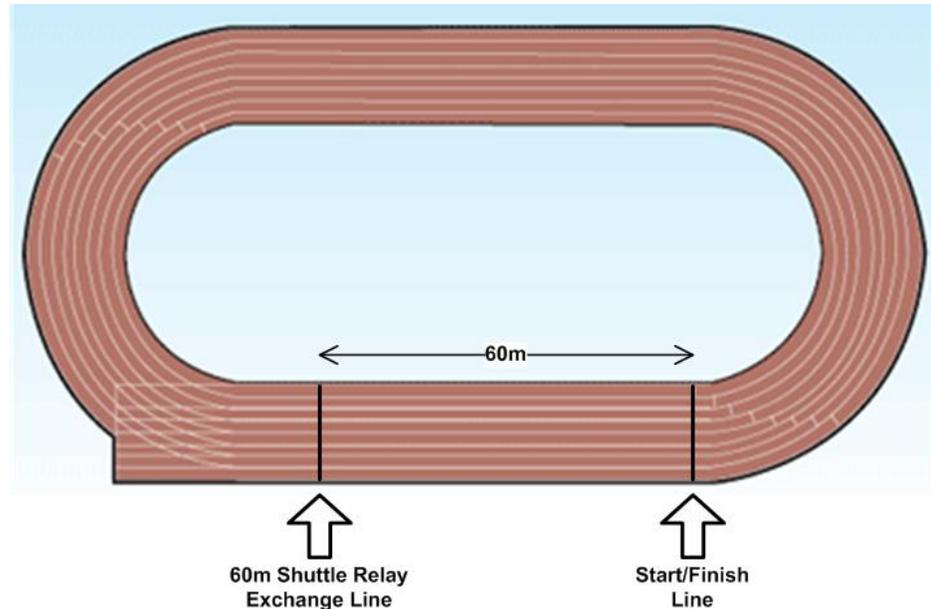
15.3.1 Exceptions

15.3.1.1 Short-distance track events. The IPC rules specified in 15.3.1 apply to the 15m, 20m, 40m, and 60m events.

15.3.1.2 Wheelchair/scooter slalom races. CP-ISRA wheelchair slalom rules (http://www.cpisra.org.za/files/manual10_9p/CPISRA_Sports_Manual_10th_Edition_Release_009_27_October_2010_Section_B_Sports_Rules_Wheelchair_Slalom.pdf) will apply. The only classification to be offered is D1/dependent upon a power wheelchair or scooter.

15.3.1.3 Shuttle relay

15.3.1.3.1 Track markings. A 60m straight-away section of the track is used, with the start/finish line of the track serving as the start/finish line for the shuttle relay. A 60m exchange line is marked on the track as shown. Corresponding markings are made for a 40m or 20m shuttle relay course.



5.3.1.3.2 Starting positions. Teams consist of four individual runners. Each team is assigned to two adjacent lanes of the track. Team A is assigned to Lanes 1 and 2; Team B is assigned to Lanes 3 and 4; Team C to Lanes 5 and 6 and Team D to Lanes 7 and 8. The first and third runners begin their relay legs in their lanes at the start/finish line of the track. The second and fourth runners begin their relay legs at the 60m/40m/20m shuttle relay exchange line in the adjacent lanes.

15.3.1.3.3 Shuttle relay. The first runner from each team begins at the start/finish line and runs past the 60m/40m/20m. After the first runner crosses the 60m/40m/20m mark, the second runner from that team runs towards the start/finish line, etc. Runners may use starting blocks during all exchanges. Second, third, and fourth runners may not start their relay legs until the previous teammate has broken the designated plane of the exchange zone.

15.3.1.3.4 Relay team members. The competition host shall determine whether separate relay events shall be held for males and females, or whether to offer mixed-sex relays consisting of any combination of males and females. Relay team members may be comprised of runners from any classification (Class 1, 2, or 3).

15.4 COMPETITION PROCEDURES

15.4.1 Warm-up/practice opportunities. The track shall be available for warm-up at least 30 minutes prior to each session of competition. The competition host shall determine the schedule and location of additional practice time opportunities.

15.4.2 Entry limit. Athletes may enter a maximum of three individual events and one relay event per day.

15.4.3 Check-in procedures. The competition host shall determine check-in procedures.

15.4.4 Competition format. The order of events shall be specified in the information provided to athletes in advance of the entry deadline. Male and female athletes from different age groups and different classifications may be combined in heats for efficiency; however, their results shall be kept separately for awards purposes. When heats are combined in this manner, athletes from the same age group or classification shall be assigned to adjacent lanes.

15.4.5 Awards. At the discretion of the competition host, when sex and/or classification divisions are combined, separate awards may be presented to athletes in the different divisions (e.g., when Class 1 and Class 2 athletes compete in the same event, awards may be presented to the highest ranking athletes in each class).

15.4.6 Measurement accuracy. A Fully Automatic Timing (FAT) system is preferred for all IDAF sanctioned or approved competitions, and is required for World Dwarf Games track events. A backup timing system such as stopwatches should also be used when a FAT system is in place. Times shall be measured to the nearest hundredth of a second.

15.5 FACILITIES. Rule 15/Track Measurements from the IPC Athletics Rules (http://ipc-athletics.paralympic.org/export/sites/ipc_sports_athletics/Downloads/2011_2012_IPC_Athletics_Rules_Regulations_updated_Jan_2012.pdf) shall apply.

15.6 EQUIPMENT

15.6.1 Starting blocks. The meet host shall provide starting blocks for athletes who wish to use them, or athletes may bring their own starting blocks. The construction of starting blocks shall conform to Rule 16/Starting Blocks from the IPC Athletics Rules (http://ipc-athletics.paralympic.org/export/sites/ipc_sports_athletics/Downloads/2011_2012_IPC_Athletics_Rules_Regulations_updated_Jan_2012.pdf).

15.6.2 Relay batons. Per IPC Athletics Rules: "The baton shall be a smooth hollow tube, circular in section, made of wood, metal or any other rigid material in one piece, the length of which shall be 28 to 30cm. The circumference shall be 12 to 13cm and it shall not weigh less than 50g. It should be colored so as to be easily visible during the race."

15.7 UNIFORMS. International Paralympic Committee athletics rules (<http://ipc-athletics.paralympic.org>) regarding uniforms (Rule 6 - Clothing, Shoes, and Athlete Bibs) shall apply to IDAF track event competitions.

15.8 OFFICIALS

15.8.1 Minimum number. There shall be one referee, one starter, one head finish judge, a head time to operate the FAT system, and a sufficient number of administrative assistants to handle tasks such as announcing and processing of results. The referee shall: (a) instruct athletes and officials about the rules and procedures for the track events; (b) resolve disputes related to starts, races, and finishes; (c) check and approve/sign all final results. The starter shall have control of the athletes on their marks, start the track races, and supervise any starter's assistants or recallers who have been assigned to officiate. The chief finish judge shall determine the order in which the athletes have finished.

15.8.2 Qualifications. The referee, starter, and chief finish judge shall be certified by an international or national governing body for athletics. The minimum standard for other officials is prior experience at their positions; however, it is recommended that the other officials be certified by an international or national governing body for athletics.

15.8.3 Uniforms. Officials shall wear either a uniform provided by the competition host or the customary uniform of the official's home country.

PART 16: TRACK & FIELD TECHNICAL RULES: FIELD EVENTS

16.1 ELIGIBILITY

16.1.1 Age divisions. Field events may be offered in the Futures (6 years and younger), Junior (three subdivisions of 7-9, 10-12, and 13-15 years), Open (any age), and Masters (35 years and older) Divisions. Athletes who choose to compete in the Open Division may not compete in the same event (e.g., shot put) in another age division.

16.1.2 Sex divisions. Separate events shall be held for males and females in all field events.

16.1.3 Classifications

16.1.3.1 World Dwarf Games. The IDAF upper-body classification system shall be used in Open and Masters Division field events. The IDAF juniors division classification system shall be used in juniors division events. Refer to Part 2 of this rule book for further information.

16.1.3.2 Other IDAF sanctioned or approved competitions. Use of classifications at other IDAF sanctioned or approved events is at the discretion of the competition host.

16.1.3.3 IPC sanctioned or approved competitions. The International Paralympic Committee (IPC) classification system may be substituted for the IDAF upper-body system when IDAF events are sanctioned or approved by IPC.

16.2 EVENTS. The following events may be offered at IDAF sanctioned or approved meets.

	Futures 6 & younger	Juniors 7-9	Juniors 10-12	Juniors 13-15	Open Class 1, 2, 3	Masters 35 & older
Flippy Flyer Throw	X					
Frisbee Throw	X	X	X			
Tennis Ball Throw	X	X				
Softball Throw or Cricket Ball Throw		X	X			