Memorandum

Para-Badminton Athletes' Commission – Elections / Nominations



Friday 16 August 2013

Dear Members, Continental Confederations and Para-Badminton Colleagues

Please find below and attached some information on Para-Badminton Athletes Commission and the elections scheduled for Friday 8 November 2013.

Para-Badminton Athletes Commission

The BWF Council has approved the formation of a four person *Para-Badminton Athletes' Commission*. The role of the Para-Badminton Athletes' Commission is to:

- liaise with players, organise players meetings at tournaments and canvas their views and opinions on rules and regulations, development and direction of para-badminton;
- represent the views of para-badminton athletes at Para-Badminton Commission meetings through its representatives;
- report back to the players on outcomes of meetings and representations made at the Para-Badminton Commission meetings.

The BWF currently has one player representative on the Para-Badminton Commission, however this new Commission will mean there is a greater opportunity and input from players.

Call for Nominations / Elections

The BWF is calling for nominations for the elections. Nominations can be made by athletes themselves, a Member Association or a disability sports organization recognized by the BWF. Please note the eligibility requirements (see attached).

Please find attached the following:

- Amendments to the regulations the Guidelines for Council / Executive Board and Committees and Commissions;
- 2. The Nomination Form
- 3. The Election Procedures

Key Dates / Nominations / Elections

- o Friday 16 Aug 2013 Call for nominations.
- o Friday 18 Oct 2013 Deadline for nominations.
- o Friday 25 Oct 2013 Names / profiles of nominees announced.

- Friday 8 Nov 2013 Elections Para-Badminton World Championships 1000-1900 hrs
- Friday 8 Nov 2013 Announcement of the result of the elections.

Commission

Once the Commission is established, they will meet and elect a Chair. The Chair and one other person (determined by the Council) will then serve as representatives on the BWF Para-Badminton Commission.

The Para-Badminton Athletes Commission will draft the terms of reference which will be approved by the BWF Council. Generally the Para-Badminton Commission will meet twice a year, usually at competitions. As per other BWF Commissions - the expenses will be paid to cover meeting costs.

Regards

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