



IWAS MEMBERSHIP POLICY

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FULL MEMBERSHIP

National Member Organisations:

- National Paralympic Committees
- National organisations representing athletes with physical impairments

Only one Full Membership is permitted per nation.

A Sport specific organisation can be deemed Full Members for the period no national organisation is in Membership.

Organisations in full IWAS Membership under the previous Constitution will maintain, if desired, their status, until Membership is terminated in accordance to Article 25 & 26 of the IWAS Articles.

RIGHTS OF THE MEMBERS

- (a) Members are entitled to send two delegates to the IWAS General Assembly. Delegates' names shall be submitted in writing to the IWAS HQ. A Member may request the attendance of observers at the discretion of IWAS.
- (b) Member organisations that are recognised by the IWAS Sport Section shall be entitled to send two delegates to the Sport Specific Congress. Delegates names shall be submitted in writing to the IWAS HQ. A member may request the attendance of observers at the discretion of IWAS.
- (c) Members are entitled to two votes at the IWAS General Assembly and one vote at Sports Congresses.
- (d) Members shall be entitled to nominate representatives for election to the IWAS Executive Board, Sports Executive Committees and Standing Committees.
- (e) Members are entitled to receive annual financial reports.



(f) Members may enter persons of its organisation in international events within the jurisdiction of IWAS providing the member complies with the conditions stated in the invitations to compete.

(g) Members may propose motions through the General Assembly by giving notice of motion to IWAS adhering to the deadlines communicated prior to the meeting.

(h) Members may propose sport-specific motions to the Sports Congresses by giving notice of a motion to IWAS prior to the meeting as specified in the by-laws of the Sport Sections.

(i) Full Membership is mandatory for organisations wishing to enter athletes of IWAS governed sports to the Paralympic Games.

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The level that each Full Member should pay is decided upon by the World Bank List of Global Economics tiered in accordance with officially recognised financial status.

INCOME GROUP	POUND STERLING (£)
High	1500.00
Upper Middle	1150.00
Lower Middle	850.00
Low	500.00

SECONDARY MEMBERSHIP



- National Sports Federation
- Impairment-specific organisations
- Regional organisations in a nation
- National IWAS Sport Federation
- International Sports Federations

This list of organisations eligible for the Secondary Members is not exhaustive. Organisations sharing the same goals and objectives of IWAS, will be considered for Secondary Membership

Nations must have an organisation in Full Membership before applications for Secondary Members can be considered.

RIGHTS OF THE MEMBERS

(a) Members are entitled to send one delegate to the IWAS General Assembly. Delegate names shall be submitted in writing to the IWAS HQ. Members may request the attendance of observers at the discretion of IWAS.

(b) Member Organisations that are recognised by the IWAS Sport Section shall be entitled to send two delegates to the Sport Specific Congress. Delegates names shall be submitted in writing to the IWAS HQ. A member may request the attendance of observers at the discretion of IWAS.

(c) Members are entitled to one vote per country at the IWAS General Assembly and Sports Congresses.

(d) Members shall be entitled to nominate representatives for IWAS Sports Executive Committees and Standing Committees.

(e) Members are entitled to receive annual financial reports.

(f) Members may enter persons of its organisation in international events within the jurisdiction of IWAS providing the member complies with the conditions stated in the invitations to compete.

(g) Members may not propose motions through the General Assembly.

(h) Member may propose sport-specific motions to the Sports Congresses by giving notice of motion to IWAS prior to the meeting as specified in the by-laws of the Sport Sections.

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Secondary Members will be subject to an annual Membership fee of £500 per year.

DEVELOPING MEMBERS

- Wheelchair Fencing National organisation (or equivalent)
- National Powerchair Hockey organisations (or equivalent)
- National Paralympic Committees
- National organisations representing athletes with physical impairments

OBLIGATIONS

The status of Developing Members is to be reviewed by the IWAS General Assembly every 2 years and is not an open-ended form of Membership.

Annual progress reports are to be provided to IWAS to enable the General Assembly to evaluate the progress within the timeframe set by the IWAS General Assembly.

RIGHTS OF THE MEMBERS

- (a) Developing Members are entitled to send two delegates to the IWAS General Assembly. Delegates names shall be submitted in writing to the IWAS HQ. A Developing Member may not request the attendance of observers at IWAS official meetings.
- (b) Developing Members that are recognised by the IWAS Sport Section as such shall be entitled to send two delegates to the Sport Specific Congress. Delegates names shall be submitted in writing to the IWAS HQ. A Developing Member may not request the attendance of observers at IWAS or IWAS Sport official meetings.
- (c) Developing Members are entitled to one vote at the IWAS General Assembly and Sports Congresses.
- (d) Developing Members shall not be entitled to nominate representatives for election to the IWAS Executive Board, Sports Executive Committees and Standing Committees.
- (e) Developing Members are entitled to receive annual financial reports.
- (f) Developing Members may enter persons of its organisation in international events within the jurisdiction of IWAS providing the member complies with the conditions stated in the invitations to compete.
- (g) Developing Members may not propose motions through the General Assembly.
- (h) Developing Member may not propose sport-specific motions to the Sports Congresses.

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Developing Members will be subject to an annual Membership fee of £300 per year.



IWAS PARTNERS

- Research Institutes, Universities & Foundations
- Rehabilitation Centres & Hospitals
- Sponsors & Funders
- Organisations with similar aims to IWAS

RIGHTS OF THE PARTNERS

Right to send observers to IWAS and IWAS Sports official meetings and events at the discretion of IWAS.

Priority to request research opportunities and trial of innovations at IWAS events

Opportunities to present at IWAS gatherings, events and meetings

Right to use IWAS logo on website and promotional materials

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IWAS Partners will be subject to an annual Membership fee of £500 per year