

## **Selection Policy for Goalball**

- **National Championships**
- **International Championships**

## **1. Title**

Policy and Selection Criteria for Participation in international Championships

## **2. Purpose of the Policy**

The purpose of this Policy is to establish a transparent, fair, and merit-based selection system for identifying elite players who will represent India at international competition.

## **3. Governing Authority**

This policy is formulated and implemented by the Indian Blind Sports Association (IBSA) in accordance with:

- Rules and regulations of the International Blind Sports Federation (IBSF) or the relevant international governing body
- Guidelines of the Govt. of India (GOI) and Paralympic Committee of India (PCI)

## **4. Eligibility**

To be considered for selection, a player must:

- Be an Indian citizen
- Be eligible under IBSF / international classification rules
- Be affiliated with State bodies of IBSA
- Be medically fit and compliant with all anti-doping regulations

## **5. Selection Criteria**

An player must fulfill all of the following criteria to be eligible for selection to represent India at the international competition:

### **5.1 National Performance Criteria**

- The player must be a Gold Medallist or Silver Medallist in his or her respective team, held at Sri Ganganagar, Rajasthan, in December 2025, and conducted under the authority of the Indian Blind and Para Judo Association.

### **5.2 World Ranking Criteria**

- The athlete must be ranked within the Top Ten (1–10) of the current official World Ranking List of the relevant international governing body at the time of selection or during the qualifying period notified by GOI/PCI/ IBPJA.

### **5.3 Asian Ranking Criteria**

- The athlete must be ranked within the Top Seven (1–7) of the current official Asian Ranking List at the time of selection or during the qualifying period notified by GOI/PCI/IBPJA.

### **6. Compliance with Anti-Doping Regulations**

- All athletes must comply with National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) and World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) regulations.
- Any player found in violation of anti-doping rules or serving a doping-related suspension shall be automatically disqualified from selection.

### **7. Fitness and Conduct**

- Selected player must maintain optimal physical fitness, discipline, and conduct befitting a national representative.
- IBSA reserves the right to conduct medical, fitness, or performance assessments as deemed necessary.
- Any act of misconduct or violation of the federation's code of conduct may result in removal from the selection list.

### **8. Selection Committee**

- The selection shall be carried out by a duly constituted Selection Committee appointed by IBSA time to time.
- The decision of the Selection Committee shall be final and binding, subject to ratification by the competent authority and GOI/PCI norms.

### **9. Exceptional Circumstances**

- In exceptional situations such as injury, force majeure, or changes in international qualification regulations, IBSA reserves the right to review the application of this policy in consultation with the Paralympic Committee of India, in the best interest of the sport and the nation.

### **10. Dispute Resolution**

- Any dispute arising from the interpretation or implementation of this policy shall be referred to the Executive Committee of IBSA, whose decision shall be final.

**11. Validity**

This Policy shall remain valid until the conclusion till 2028, unless amended or withdrawn earlier with due approval from the competent authority.

**12. Adoption**

This Policy is approved and adopted by the Indian Blind Sports Association for submission to the Paralympic Committee of India (PCI).