



UPDATED: 1 March 2021

The development timeline for the 1 January 2022 through 31 December 2024 revision of IBSA Goalball Rules and Regulations is revised to reflect changes attributed to the current COVID-19 pandemic.

As a reminder, no major changes to current 2018-2021 rules and regulations will occur before the Tokyo Paralympic Games. Only modifications to correct typographic errors or to improve readability will be considered. If modifications or corrections to the current rules and regulations are made, they will be announced on the IBSA website 60 days prior to implementation.

The revised timeline is as follows:

- **31 March 2021:** Final date to submit proposals.
- **May-June 2021:** Testing of any changes that impact game procedures or game play.
- **June 2021:** Final results of any testing to goalball community; selection of final rules and regulations to be prepared into rulebook
- **July 2021:** Final preparation/editing of 2021-2024 Rules and Regulations.
- **August 2021:** Final Proposed 2021-2024 Rules and Regulations submitted to IBSA Executive Board for approval.
- **September – October 2021:** update all documentation (to include Coach Essentials, referee and ITO documentation).
- **October – December 2021:** Begin referees' and officials' certification/recertification clinics.
- **January 1, 2022:** New Rules and Regulations for the period 1 January 2022-31 December 2024 take effect.

Please direct any proposed rule or regulation changes to goalball@ibsasport.org.