



To accommodate the rescheduling of the Tokyo Paralympic Games, the 2018-2020 IBSA Goalball Rules and Regulations will now be changed to the 2018-2021 IBSA Goalball Rules and Regulations and dated May 6, 2020. The expiration date for the 2018-2021 IBSA Goalball Rules and Regulations is December 31, 2021.

There will be no major changes to rules and regulations before the Tokyo Paralympic Games. The only modifications that will be considered will be to correct typographic errors or to improve readability.

The next major rule revision will be for the period 1 January 2022 through 31 December 2024.

Below are key dates for the next major rule revision period:

- **August – November 2020:** Solicitation of rule changes from national Federations
- **December 2020:** Announcement of rules to be tested.
- **January - April 2021:** Testing of any proposed rules at selected tournaments
- **April – May 2021:** Final results of testing to goalball community; selection of final rules and regulations to be prepared into rulebook
- **May – June 2021:** Final preparation/editing of 2021-2024 Rules and Regulations.
- **July 1, 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](mailto:goalball@ibsasport.org) and [goalball.referees@ibsasport.org](mailto:goalball.referees@ibsasport.org).