

TERMS OF REFERENCE:

WHEELCHAIR RUGBY LEAGUE WORKING GROUP

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Wheelchair Rugby League Working Group (WHWG) has been mandated by the International Rugby League to advise on wheelchair rugby league.

2. PURPOSE & OBJECTIVE

- 2.2 Review and make recommendations to the IRL Board concerning key matters relating to wheelchair rugby league, including a consistent set of Laws, technical regulations, classifications and match official development.
- 2.3 Establish the international calendar, including the wheelchair world cup, other international tournaments, tours and matches.
- Consider initiatives that will lead to a growth in participation and visibility of wheelchair rugby league.

3. OPERATING GUIDELINES

- 3.1 The WHWG will be chaired by the IRL Representative, on a biennial basis.
- 3.2 The WHWG will consist of one representative from the:
- Asia Pacific Rugby League Confederation
 - Australian Rugby League Commission
 - Federation Française de Rugby 13
 - Rugby Football League
 - Rugby League European Federation
 - IRL
- 3.3 Each representative shall each have one vote, although, in the event of a tie, the Chair will have the casting vote.
- 3.4 Quorum of meetings will be three representatives.
- 3.5 Meetings will be called by the Chair, with a notice period of not less than ten working days.
- 3.6 The IRL shall also appoint a secretary to the panel to co-ordinate meetings,





circulate agendas, record minutes and tend to any administration arising from the committee's decisions. The secretary shall be a non-voting member.

- 3.7 From time to time, and upon invitation by the WHWG, other representatives of the IRL, its members, international competition organisers or other experts may attend the working group in a non-voting capacity.
- 3.8 Meetings will take place as and when required, using technology such as video and conference calling.

4. PRINCIPLES

- 4.1 To allow expertise from within the community shape the working group.
- 4.2 To retain the sport's essential commonality with the running game in how it is played on the court.

5. ORGANISATION

- 5.1 The Chair and secretary will be responsible for the organisation and administration of meetings.
- 5.2 Minutes from the meetings shall be taken and circulated to the group in a timely fashion after the meeting.
- 5.3 Presentations and reference papers discussed in a meeting will be circulated immediately following the meeting if not already circulated.
- 5.4 An action log will be created and presented at each meeting to record the progress against identified actions arising from previous meetings.

6. SCOPE

- 6.1 WHWG shall conduct its business in line with the IRL constitution.
- 6.2 WHWG is an advisory body without executive power.
- 6.3 The Rugby League Committee shall consider recommendations from 6.4 WHWG and choose whether to either adopt them without amendment or make such amendments it deems fit.

