

## **WDBS Wheelchair Competition Rules**

To be eligible to compete within Group 1/2 the player must be wheelchair mobility dependent for a minimum of 80% of the time. In some cases, medical evidence may be required to determine eligibility.

## **Infringements Resulting in Fouls**

- (a) The striker must remain seated while playing a shot (at least one cheek on the seat or seat pad(s)). If a seat pad(s) is/are used, it must remain flat and cover the seat of the wheelchair evenly. The seat pad(s) cannot be bunched up on the seat straddled by the striker with the striker's legs or stumps. The striker may not sit on the wheel or armrest. The point where the striker's buttocks rest on the seat or seat pad(s) must not be higher than 27 in / 68.5 cm from the surface on which the wheelchair rolls in its normal operating position.
- (b) Players must not have their foot/feet on the floor while playing a shot. Players must not use their legs or stumps as a leverage against any part of the table or the wheelchair while playing a shot.
- (c) Players are permitted to use any help aids such as cue extensions, special bridges, etc where the equipment has been sanctioned by the WPBSA Rules and Technical Committee.

Players may not be assisted when actually playing a shot (however, another person may hold the bridge, but must not help with the stroke of the cue). If a player requires assistance to roll around the table, another person may help them, but must not be touching the wheelchair during the actual shot.

Infringements of the above are considered to be Unsporting Conduct as per Section 4 1(a) of the Rules. For example, the penalty for the first offence is a warning, the second offence the award of the frame to their opponent, and the third offence the award of the game to their opponent.

## **Wheelchair Requirements**

No standing wheelchairs may be used in the standing position. A player's wheelchair should be clean and in good working order.