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**PREAMBLE**

Adaptive Track & Field USA (ATFUSA) is a USA 501C3 organization, which establishes the rules and documents the records of Adaptive Sports USA and ATFUSA track and field events.

This document:

- Overviews the rules and regulations that govern ATFUSA, Adaptive Sports USA and International Paralympic Committee (IPC) competitions.
- Is designated by ATFUSA to be compatible with the rules and regulations of the International Association of Athletics Federation (IAAF) and the modifications made by the IPC.

The alignment of this document with the 2016-2017 IAAF and IPC Competition Rules does not confer any responsibility onto the IAAF and /or the IPC for the ATFUSA Athletics Rules & Regulations. For ATFUSA Athletics purposes, any references in the 2016-2017 IAAF and IPC Competition Rules to the:

- “General Secretary of the IAAF” and “Sports Manager of IPC Athletics” should be amended to “Chairman of ATFUSA”
- “IAAF”, “Council of the IAAF”, “IPC” or “IPC Governing Board” should be amended to “ATFUSA” or “ATFUSA Governing Board”
- Competitions organized under (IAAF) Rule 1.1 or “IPC Athletics Recognized Competitions” to “ATFUSA Recognized Competitions”

A key feature of this document is the clarification of the exceptions to the Technical Rules of the 2016-2017 IAAF and IPC Competition Rules. These exceptions apply to all events for athletes with a disability incorporated in ATFUSA and IPC Recognized Competitions.

Other documents that are integral to the implementations of the ATFUSA Rules & Regulations 2016 include the following:

- IPC Handbook
- IPC Anti-Doping Code
- IPC Athletics Classification Rules and Regulations
- IPC Classification Code
- Adaptive Sport USA Code of Ethics (if meet is IPC Sanctioned: IPC Code of Ethics)

This edition of the ATFUSA Rules and Regulations will be current from the date of release until the publication of the next edition.

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