



IAPESGW Statement on new IAAF Eligibility Regulations for Female Classification

The IAAF issued new Eligibility Regulations for Female Classification for events from 400m to the mile, including 400m, hurdles races, 800m, 1500m, one mile races and combined events over the same distances. These new regulations, approved by the IAAF Council in March 2018, will come into effect in November 2018.

For almost 70 years, IAPESGW has represented the interests of girls and women at all levels and in all areas of physical education, dance and sport.

IAPESGW promotes values like human dignity, gender equity, and respect for diversity in sport and therefore expresses strong concerns regarding these new regulations for female classification.

The new eligibility ruling is predominantly based on IAAF research and internal consultations. IAPESGW calls for independent research and consultations with experts and academics outside IAAF.

Moreover, IAPESGW believes that concerned athletes must have a say with guaranteed confidentiality and privacy.

Due to the current lack of independent research and consultations concerning hyperandrogenism and sport, IAPESGW demands a substantial review of the IAAF eligibility ruling.