

In Competition Communication Regulation

Objective

The purpose of this regulation is to clarify the conditions under which the use of tactical analysis and communication systems are allowed. It relates to remote communication with bench staff situated in the field of play and individuals (i.e. game analysts) who are situated outside of the field of play.

The IWRF welcomes and wishes to facilitate innovative practices which may improve the delivery of the sport. This regulation will outline the parameters for the use of tactical analysis and communication systems during competition.

Regulation

1. The use of in-game tactical analysis (including similar systems) and the communication from a Game Analyst(s) to the Coaching and Support Staff using devices is permitted solely for the purposes of medical review, in-game tactical analysis and / or sporting training/improvement.
2. No use may be made of any such equipment, systems or devices to interfere with or to dispute any refereeing or disciplinary decision.
3. No communications using such devices are permitted with any athlete.
4. The communication device can be of any nature,
 - a. telephonic,
 - b. wireless communications as are often used in sport,
 - c. transmission of analyses or vision by computer software,
5. The specific equipment proposed to be installed and/or used must be of sufficiently small and portable dimensions so as not to require any specialist installation unless agreed in advance with the Technical Delegate and competition organiser.
6. The bringing on site and use of devices and equipment must not disrupt the natural proceedings of the game or obstruct the view of any media, spectators or officials.
7. If using wireless technology, the system must meet the radio frequency licensing requirements within the country, locale and venue. It is the responsibility of the Team management to ensure that these licensing provisions are met and to co-ordinate with the competition organiser so as to



avoid interference and disruption. This should be done with appropriate and reasonable notice.

8. The Game Analysts may be located within the venue in normal public seating and cannot expect extra provisions to be provided or the seating to be altered to accommodate any equipment. Any additional requirements that incur costs to an organiser may need to be charged to the individual/team.
9. Teams using communication devices at IWRF sanctioned events should register their equipment with Office@iwrf.com using the form provided at Appendix 1.
10. If collecting and transmitting personal details Team management should be aware of their responsibilities under GDPR or equivalent personal details legislation. In addition, it is the individual's responsibility to ensure that no inappropriate communications take place particularly where spectators or media may be in earshot.
11. Team members are also reminded of their responsibilities to act with integrity and not use any data and information for personal financial gain, including but not limited to any betting/gambling or potential match-fixing related activities.

Appendix 1

Communication Device Registration

National Member Organisation.	
Event name and location.	
Date of event.	
Name of primary contact.	
Role	
Contact details	
Description of Communication Systems to be used.	
Technical data i.e. radio-frequency, size of the equipment, power usage	
Signature	
Date	