

**ERG SPRINTS INDOOR ROWING PARA CHAMPIONSHIPS
CLASSIFICATION AND SPORT VERIFICATION FORM**

COMPETITOR INFORMATION:

(First/Given Name) (Middle Initial) (Last/Sur Name)

(Date of Birth – MM/DD/YYYY) (Gender – M/F)

MAILING ADDRESS:

(Street, number and apt. or suite number)

(Street line 2)

(City) (State/Province)

(Country) (Zip/Postal Code)

(Telephone number - home) (Telephone Number - mobile)

(e-mail address)

CHECK the Para Event Distance you will be entering: 1000 meter ____ or 2000 meter ____

PLEASE COMPLETE ONE OF THE TWO CLASSIFICATION OPTIONS AND SIGN BELOW:

1) As a competitor at the 2018 Erg Sprints World Indoor Para 2000m Championships, I am on the FISA list of classified Para rowers: Yes ____, or if No ____, I will contact FISA (classification@fisa.org) to begin the classification process immediately and to complete the classification process prior to this competition (*FISA Classification is required in order to compete only in the 2000m World Championship events*)

OR

As a competitor at the 2018 Erg Sprints Concept2 Indoor Para 1000m Championships, I am:

2.1) on my NGB list of classified Para rowers (*list location* _____), OR

2.2) I give permission to Dr. _____ to confirm what sport category would best match my specific ability level. I also release Dr. _____ from any and all liability surrounding or related to his/her decision regarding my specific sport category, OR

2.3) I signify that I am not classified by checking here ____, and that I will attend the mandatory Saturday fitting meeting to have my event choice be endorsed by race officials.

COMPETITOR'S SIGNATURE: _____ (*or guardian, required*)

PHYSICIAN INFORMATION (only required for Classification option 2.2 above):

(First/Given Name) (Middle Initial) (Last/Sur Name)

(Telephone number)

Please read the descriptions listed below and choose the Sport Category that would best match the above listed competitor's physical ability.

SPORT CATEGORY: _____

PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE: _____

The following sport categories are developed to create fair racing on Indoor Rowing Ergometers. Conditions affecting an athlete's ability and defining sport categories must be permanent in nature. Organ removal, by itself, does not qualify someone for any Para rowing sport category. Pain, by itself does not qualify someone. Disability experienced post-surgery is a temporary condition and does not qualify someone for any Para category.

Note: If you are uncertain or have any questions, please contact Mark McAndrew at Concept2 (markm@concept2.com) or call at 1 (800) 245-5676 ext. 3021.

PR1 - Arms & Shoulders (AS) – This category is for rowers who have minimal to no trunk function (i.e. Shoulder function only). An AS class rower is able to apply force predominantly using the arms and/or shoulders. These athletes will likely also have poor sitting balance. In addition, these athletes are not able to use the sliding seat to transfer their power to the ergometer because of significantly weakened function or mobility of the lower limbs. Eligible rowers may typically have but are not limited to Cerebral Palsy – affecting both leg and trunk function, or neurological impairment with a complete lesion at T12 level or an incomplete lesion at T10 level.

PR2 - Trunk & Arms (TA) – This category is for rowers who have functional use of the trunk and who are not able to use the sliding seat to transfer their power to the ergometer because of significantly weakened function or mobility of the lower limbs. Examples for this class would be bilateral around knee amputation, or significantly impaired quadriceps, or neurological impairment equivalent to a complete lesion at L3 level, or an incomplete lesion at L1.

PR3(ID) - Leg, Trunk & Arms (ID) – Intellectually Disabled - This category is for rowers who have functional use of their leg(s), trunk and arm(s) for rowing and who can utilize the sliding seat. These athletes have tested 75% or less for intellectual quotient.

PR3(VI) - Leg, Trunk & Arms (VI) – Visually Impaired – This category is for rowers who have functional use of their leg(s), trunk and arm(s) for rowing and who can utilize the sliding seat. In addition, these athletes have permanently impaired vision. These athletes have reduced or no vision. Maximum vision of 10% of normal in best eye with best correction from visual acuity above 02/60 up to visual acuity of 06/60 and or field of vision between 5% and 20%.

PR3(AK) - Leg, Trunk & Arms (AK) – Above or Around the Knee Single Leg Amputee - This category is for rowers who have functional use of one leg, their trunk and arm(s) and can utilize the sliding seat. Leg, Trunk & Arms (AK) rowers must row without the use of a prosthetic on a standard sliding erg seat. If they prefer to use their prosthetic they should enter the LTA-(PD) sport category.

PR3(PD) - Leg, Trunk & Arms (PD) – Physically Disabled - This category is for rowers who have functional use of their leg(s), trunk and arm(s) for rowing and who can utilize the sliding seat. Eligible rowers in this sport category include single leg below the knee amputees, arm and hand amputees where both upper limbs have connection to the erg handle via adaptations), up to three missing fingers on one hand, neurological impairment equivalent to incomplete S1 spinal cord injury, Cerebral Palsy, trans metatarsal amputation of the foot.

PR3(SA) - Leg, Trunk & Arms (SA) – With Single Arm - This category is for LTA rowers only able to row with a single arm connection to the ergometer handle. These athletes have similar disabilities to the Leg Trunk & Arms, Physically Disabled Sport Category, however they also have a permanent condition that allows for only one arm, partial or complete, with or without use of a prosthetic device on that same single arm, to have connection with a standard or modified ergometer handle. These athletes may have an amputation or loss of function to one arm, allowing them to pull the erg handle with the remaining partial or fully functional arm.