To All USA Para Certified Officials;

World Para Athletics has made a rule change (from what was in the Course) for Leg Amputees in Vertical and Horizontal Jumps which will affect the 2020 Track & Field Season.

The 2019 rule for Leg Amps stated that the athlete can use or not use their Prosthetic to jump.

The old rule allowed an Athlete to start the jump with their prosthetic on and if it fell off they could continue without their prosthetic and jump successfully.

The 2020 rule in both Vertical and Horizontal jumps has changed to:
The athlete may use or not jump with their prosthetic.
The rule changed however to state that if they start their run up with the prosthetic on they **MUST** now jump with it on.
(so if lost during the run up they must put it back on and continue the run up if time allows)

 The horizontal and Vertical rules after the takeoff remains the same;
Vertical Jump:                   If the prosthetic is lost after they initiate the jump; the prosthetic and the
 athlete must clear the bar for a successful jump.

Horizontal jump:               If the prosthetic is lost after they initiate the jump;  and the prosthetic lands in
 the pit closer to the jump board than the athlete, measure the closest point of
 the prosthetic. If the prosthetic lands outside the pit the jump is a foul.

There are no other major rule changes for 2020.

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Please consider working one of the over 20 Para meets.  The calendar of events can be found at

<http://www.atfusa.org/Calendar/Calendar.htm>

If you are interested in a particular meet download the PDF for details on how to contact the meet director.
 <http://www.atfusa.org/Calendar/2020/PAGE%20POST%20of%20meet%20info.pdf>

Regards
Thanks so much for what you do.
And have a great season

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