

TOKYO 2020 PARALYMPIC GAMES

QUALIFICATION REGULATIONS

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INTRODUCTION

These Qualification Regulations (Regulations) describe in detail how athletes and teams can qualify for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games in each of the twenty-two (22) sports on the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games Programme (Games Programme). It provides to the National Paralympic Committees (NPCs), to National Federations (NFs), to sports administrators, coaches and to the athletes themselves the conditions that allow participation in the signature event of the Paralympic Movement.

These Regulations present:

- an overview of the Games Programme;
- the general IPC regulations on eligibility;
- the specific qualification criteria for each sport (in alphabetical order);
 and
- a glossary of the terminology used throughout the Regulations.

STRUCTURE OF SPORT-SPECIFIC QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

Each sport-specific section in these Regulations follows a standardised format. Readers can quickly locate information or cross-reference it between sports. The standard structure of each sport-specific qualification criteria is as follows:

- Events
- Athlete Quotas
- Allocation of Qualification Slots
- Maximum Quota Allocation per NPC
- Athlete Eligibility (sport-specific)
- Maximum Entries per NPC
- Qualification System
- Timeline (adjusted following the postponement of the Games to 24 August - 5 September 2021)
- Confirmation Process of Allocated Slots
- Reallocation of Unused Qualification Slots
- International Federation (IF) Contact Information

QUALIFICATION METHODS

There are a variety of qualification methods that IFs may employ, which may depend on the nature and traditions of each sport. The mix of qualification methods within each sport (listed below) shall respect the following principles:

- to ensure that the world's leading athletes receive the opportunity to perform at the highest level; and
- to ensure that regional opportunities for qualification exist and that regional distribution of qualification slots is justifiably based on elite performances and/or prevalence of a sport within a given region.

In most sports, the participation of the host country is guaranteed via reserved slots. However, athletes representing the host country still need to comply with all eligibility requirements in order to enter the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.

The following qualification methods based on performance may be used. Methods 1, 2 and 3 are referred to as "direct slot allocations" as they reward performance at one competition directly with a qualification slot.

- 1. Placement at World Championships
- 2. Placement at Regional/Zonal Championships or Regional Games
- 3. Placement in other IF sanctioned competitions or designated Paralympic qualifiers
- 4. Rank on a World or Regional Ranking List
- 5. Rank on a specific Paralympic Qualification Ranking List
- 6. Achievement of a Minimum Qualification Standard (MQS) with or without subsequent Quota Allocation Formula
- 7. Bipartite Commission Invitations (see page 8 of this section).

In addition, a small number of Universality Wild Cards will be awarded in the sole discretion of the IPC to athletes representing NPCs who have not been able to achieve entry into the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games via the above qualification methods (see page 9 of this section).

In the event of any inconsistency between IF qualification methods for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games that are published elsewhere and the IF qualification methods listed in these Regulations, these Regulations will prevail.

QUESTIONS AND UPDATES

For questions regarding sport-specific qualification issues please contact the respective IF. Questions of a general nature can be addressed via email to the IPC Sports Department: juergen.padberg@paralympic.org. Occasional updates to these Regulations may be necessary. Updates are recorded at the end of these

Regulations. For the latest version of these Regulations (see date on front page) please visit www.paralympic.org/tokyo-2020/qualification-criteria.

At any given time the only valid version of these Regulations is the one published on the IPC website.

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The official language of the IPC is English. If any organisation translates these Regulations for internal purposes the English version shall prevail in case of discrepancy.

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TOKYO 2020 PARALYMPIC PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The Paralympic Games represents an international, multi-sport competition for athletes with an impairment that reflects the highest standards of athletic excellence and diversity. The goal of the Games Programme is to provide exciting events in the Paralympic Games that allow athletes to achieve competitive excellence while engaging and entertaining spectators. To ensure this for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games, the IPC conducted its quadrennial review process that determined the inclusion and positioning of sports, disciplines and medal events within the Paralympic Games based on established core characteristics and guiding principles.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The guiding principles of the Paralympic Sports Programme are as follows (Paralympic Games Guiding Principles):

EXCELLENCE: The Paralympic Games is the highest level competition of each sport with participation of the world's best athletes.

DIVERSITY: The Paralympic Games give athletes with varying types/ranges of impairment the opportunity to compete within an equitable event programme that offers opportunities for both genders and ensures the participation of athletes with high support needs.

UNIVERSALITY: The Paralympic Games includes athletes from all regions of the world representing the maximum possible number of NPCs.

INTEGRITY: The Paralympic Games features excellence in judging and officiating. **SUSTAINABILITY:** The Paralympic Games has a significant positive impact on the host-country and society while inspiring a long-term legacy for people with an impairment.

ATHLETE AND MEDAL EVENT QUOTAS

The number of medal events and athlete slots by sport as approved by the IPC Governing Board are outlined in the following table:

		MEDAL I	EVENTS		ATHLETE SLOTS			
	Male	Female	Mixed	Total	Male	Female	Gender -free	Total
Archery	3	3	3	9	80	60	0	140
Athletics	93	73	1	167	630	470	0	1100
Badminton	7	6	1	14	46	44	0	90
Boccia	0	0	7	7	0	34	82	116
Canoe	5	4	0	9	50	40	0	90
Cycling	29	20	2	51	150	80	0	230
Equestrian	0	0	11	11	0	0	78	78
Football 5-a-side	1	0	0	1	64	0	0	64
Goalball	1	1	0	2	60	60	0	120
Judo	7	6	0	13	80	58	0	138
Powerlifting	10	10	0	20	80	80	20	180
Rowing	1	1	2	4	48	48	0	96
Shooting	3	3	7	13	100	54	0	154
Swimming	76	67	3	146	340	280	0	620
Table Tennis	17	14	0	31	174	106	0	280
Taekwondo	3	3	0	6	36	36	0	72
Triathlon	4	4	0	8	36	36	8	80
Volleyball (Sitting)	1	1	0	2	96	96	0	192
Wheelchair Basketball	1	1	0	2	144	120	0	264
Wheelchair Fencing	8	8	0	16	48	48	0	96
Wheelchair Rugby	0	0	1	1	0	0	96	96
Wheelchair Tennis	2	2	2	6	56	32	16	104
Total	272	227	40	539	2318	1782	300	4400

GENERAL IPC REGULATIONS ON ELIGIBILITY

In addition to each IF's sport-specific athlete eligibility criteria the IPC has established a set of general eligibility criteria that apply to all participants in the Paralympic Games. These general regulations are derived from the IPC Handbook. They ensure that the fundamental rights and obligations of the IPC and its membership are recognised and protected. The General IPC Regulations on Eligibility are as follows:

IPC MEMBERSHIP

Only NPCs in good standing with the IPC may enter duly qualified and eligible athletes in the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games. NPCs are reminded that NFs must ensure that their membership with their sport's respective IF is in good standing during the qualification period and upon close of sport entries to the Paralympic Games so their athletes may participate.

Separately, the IPC has the ability, at its sole discretion, to enter athletes as members of a refugee team into the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games, in accordance with article 3.1.3 of the IPC Athlete Nationality Policy and on such terms and conditions as may be specified by the IPC in its absolute discretion.

COMPLIANCE WITH IPC ATHLETE NATIONALITY POLICY

Any athlete in the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games must be a national of the country/territory of the NPC entering him/her and in compliance with the provisions of the IPC Athlete Nationality Policy published in the IPC Handbook.

MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT

No minimum age limit for athletes competing in the Paralympic Games is stipulated by the IPC on a general basis. However, NPCs must note that an age limit may be established by IFs through sport-specific athlete eligibility criteria. While the Paralympic Games welcomes the world's youth with an impairment, NPCs are encouraged to send to the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games only athletes adequately prepared for high performance competition.

UNDERSTANDING AND AGREEING TO THE CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

To be eligible for participation in the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games all athletes must sign, observe, comply with and abide by the rules and regulations outlined in the IPC Conditions of Participation Agreement. This agreement is part of the NPC registration process.

NPC SELECTION STANDARDS

The IPC recognises and respects the right of NPCs to establish national selection standards for determining the qualification of an athlete or team to compete in the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games. Such standards must be compliant with those established by the IPC as well as those of each respective IF. Any national selection standards must also align with confirmation dates and administrative deadlines of the Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games (OCOG). All athletes and teams are equally subject to their respective NPC's selection standards.

COMPLIANCE WITH CLASSIFICATION RULES

Only qualified athletes that meet the sport-specific classification rules and have an appropriate classification status will be eligible for entry in the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games. It is the responsibility of each NPC to ensure that its athletes are appropriately classified in their respective sports prior to entry and that each athlete holds a sport class status that complies with the sport's eligibility requirements as published in these Regulations.

BIPARTITE COMMISSION INVITATIONS

As in previous Paralympic Games, the IPC has worked with the IFs to develop qualification methods which allow the top athletes in each sport to compete in the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games, but which also respect the Paralympic Games Guiding Principles. The principles of excellence, diversity, universality, integrity and sustainability are fundamental and leading aspects in the objective of the IPC and each IF to deliver great competition at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.

While the primary method in which the Paralympic Games Guiding Principles are respected is through the standard qualification methods, the IPC and certain IFs have also sought to provide targeted qualification slot allocations through Bipartite Commission Invitations. Bipartite Commission Invitations are included in the overall athlete quotas of the relevant sports, are granted by the IPC in its sole discretion following engagement with the respective IF, and are typically allocated based on the following principles:

- to ensure participation of top athletes who may have not had the opportunity to formally qualify through other methods due to extraordinary circumstances;
- to ensure the representation of athletes with high support needs;
- to ensure medal events will have sufficient representation for viability;
 and/or
- to enable greater representation by gender.

The following sports offer Bipartite Commission Invitation slots:

Archery, Athletics, Badminton, Cycling, Equestrian, Judo, Powerlifting, Rowing, Shooting, Swimming, Table Tennis, Taekwondo, Triathlon, Wheelchair Fencing, Wheelchair Tennis.

TIMELINES AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

The timeline for submission and acceptance of Bipartite Commission Invitation applications is outlined in the respective section of each sport's chapter of these Regulations, if applicable for that IF. All Bipartite Commission Invitation decisions by the IPC are final with no opportunity for protest or appeal.

REDISTRIBUTION OF VACANT QUALIFICATION SLOTS

Each IF confirms in writing to the NPCs the allocation of qualification slots their teams and athletes have obtained. The NPCs then must confirm acceptance of their allocated slots by the deadline established in each sport's chapter of these Regulations. Any qualification slots not used by an NPC will be reallocated according to the method outlined in the respective sport's chapter of these Regulations. Qualification slots that cannot be reallocated by the established deadlines or become vacant (following the reallocation deadline) may be redistributed at the sole discretion of the IPC to any sport on the programme and across gender categories. All redistribution decisions by the IPC are final with no opportunity for protest or appeal.

UNIVERSALITY WILD CARDS

In each edition of the Paralympic Games, the IPC institutes a slot allocation method to uphold the universality principle (of the Paralympic Games Guiding Principles) and to ensure representation of a maximum number of eligible member NPCs. This slot allocation is called the Universality Wild Card (UWC) method and is by IPC invitation only. No athlete or NPC is entitled to receive a UWC. UWC invitations may be extended by the IPC if an NPC has either been unable to qualify athletes or has only obtained one (1) qualification slot in any of the twenty-two (22) sports on the Games Programme. The UWC slot is allocated to an individual athlete, not to the respective NPC. If an NPC qualifies athletes via the regular qualification pathways after one (1) of its athletes has been granted a UWC, that UWC is revoked and the athlete who qualified via the regular qualification pathway obtains his/her slot instead.

UWC slots fall outside the athlete and sport quotas published in these Regulations. For the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games the IPC will only consider granting UWCs in the following sports:

- Athletics
- Swimming

A maximum of one (1) male UWC slot and one (1) female UWC slot may be granted if an NPC has not otherwise obtained any qualification slot. A maximum of one (1) female UWC slot may be provided if a NPC has obtained only one (1) qualification slot (irrespective of gender).

CRITERIA FOR CONSIDERATION

In order to be considered for a UWC an athlete must meet the following criteria:

- comply with the General IPC Regulations on Eligibility as published in these Regulations;
- meet all IF requirements for licensing and classification at the time the UWC is awarded; and
- be on the "Accreditation Long List" as described under Key Dates below.

Athletes who do not meet the above criteria will not be considered for a UWC.

Irrespective of the above criteria, the IPC Governing Board reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to award a UWC in any sport in exceptional circumstances.

All UWC decisions by the IPC are final with no opportunity for protest or appeal.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The IPC will open the UWC application process circa six (6) months prior to the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games (in the spring of 2021).

KEY DATES

The following dates and deadlines have been established by the IPC and the Tokyo 2020 OCOG and need to be observed across all sports on the Games Programme:

BEGINNING OF QUALIFICATION PERIOD: 01 JANUARY 2018

Subject to the following, each IF will determine its own qualification period during which athletes and teams can attain results and rankings that count towards qualification for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games:

- a) No IF may establish a qualification period that begins prior to 01 January 2018, whereby direct slot allocations (as defined on page 4 of this section) are obtained by athletes or teams for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.
- b) An IF may rely on athlete ranking lists that incorporate competition results achieved at competitions prior to 01 January 2018. However, subject to subclause c) below, no IF may rely on athlete performances that have occurred prior to or during the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games.
- c) For those IFs joining the Paralympic programme for the first time at Tokyo 2020, no competition results achieved prior to 01 January 2016 may contribute to any rankings that qualify athletes for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.
- d) Participation in a competition during the qualification period may depend on results achieved prior to the beginning of the respective sport's qualification period.

ACCREDITATION DEADLINE: 14 MAY 2021

Each NPC must submit to the Tokyo 2020 OCOG complete information about every potential delegation member it considers may attend the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games. This "Accreditation Long List" includes athletes (including, but not limited to, duly qualified, replacements, substitutes, bipartite candidates, UWC candidates), competition assistants (such as guide runners, tandem pilots, goalkeepers, Boccia assistants), coaches, team physicians, administrators, physiotherapists, caretakers, press attachés, Paralympic attachés, Chefs de Mission, NPC Presidents, NPC Secretaries General and accompanying guests. Only athletes who are accredited by 14 May 2021 can be entered into the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games by the sport entries deadline (see below).

SPORT ENTRIES DEADLINE: 2 AUGUST 2021

Sport entries is the official registration process for qualified athletes selected to participate in the Paralympic Games. Any athlete an NPC may choose to enter must meet all eligibility criteria by the time the entry is made. The athlete must also be on the "Accreditation Long List" (see previous section). The last possible day to meet the eligibility criteria is 2 August 2021. Sport entries will close at 23:59h, Tokyo time, on 2 August 2021.



ATHLETICS

MEDAL EVENTS

Male	Female	Mixed	Total		
93	73	1 (Universal Relay)	167		
Detailed Medal Events List at the end of this chapter					

ATHLETE QUOTA

Male	Female	Gender Free	Total
630	470	0	1100

ALLOCATION OF QUALIFICATION SLOTS

An athlete may only obtain a maximum of one qualification slot. The qualification slot is allocated to the NPC not to the individual athlete. In case of a Bipartite Commission Invitation the slot is allocated to the individual athlete not to the NPC.

MAXIMUM QUOTA ALLOCATION PER NPC

An NPC can be allocated a maximum of forty-five (45) male qualification slots and thirty-five (35) female qualification slots. Exceptions may be granted through the Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation method. If an NPC is unable to use all of the allocated qualification slots in a given gender, the unused slots cannot be transferred to the other gender. They will be reallocated in the respective gender to other NPCs through the Bipartite Invitation Commission Allocation method.

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for selection by an NPC, athletes must:

- hold an active World Para Athletics Athlete Licence for the 2021 season;
- have achieved one (1) Minimum Entry Standard (MES) performance at a
 World Para Athletics Recognised Competition (IPC Competition, WPA
 Sanctioned Competition, or WPA Approved Competition) for each of their
 respective events between 1 October 2018 and 1 August 2021 in
 accordance with the IPC Athlete Licensing Programme Policies valid for
 the 2018-2021 seasons exceptions may be made via the Bipartite
 Commission Invitation Allocation method; and

• be internationally classified with a 'Confirmed' sport class status or a 'Review' sport class status with a review date after 31 December 2021.

To be eligible for the relay event, athletes must:

• be entered into an individual event.

MAXIMUM ENTRY PER NPC

An NPC can enter a maximum of three (3) eligible athletes per Individual medal event provided each has achieved at least a MES performance in that event.

NPCs can enter a maximum of one (1) team in the relay medal event.

NPCs may enter a maximum of six (6) eligible athletes in each marathon medal event. A maximum of three (3) athletes per NPC may enter each marathon medal event as their only event.

NPCs may enter an eligible athlete in an unlimited number of individual medal events as long as the athlete has achieved a MES performance in each respective event.

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Qualification slots will be allocated as follows:

METHOD	QUALIFICATION	TOTAL
2019 Marathon World Championships Allocation (London, GBR)	The top four (4) ranked athletes at the 2019 World Para Athletics Marathon World Championships in each medal event on the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Programme each obtain one (1) qualification slot for their respective NPC.	athletes
	In the case that fewer slots are allocated through this method than available in the quota, World Para Athletics will allocate the remaining slots via the Qualification Ranking Allocation method (see below).	
2019 World Championships Allocation (Dubai, UAE)	The top four (4) ranked athletes at the 2019 World Para Athletics Championships in each of the Individual medal events on the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Programme (excluding Marathon) will each obtain one (1) qualification slot for their respective NPC.	athletes

In the case that an athlete is ranked first to fourth in more than one medal event, the athlete can only obtain one (1) qualification slot for their NPC.

Athletes who have obtained a qualification slot at the 2019 World Para Athletics Marathon World Championships cannot obtain an additional slot for their NPC through this allocation method or vice versa.

In the case that fewer slots are allocated through this method than available in the guota, World Para Athletics will allocate the remaining slots via the Qualification Ranking Allocation method (see below).

Qualification Ranking Allocation

World Para Athletics will establish a 24-month 245 male Qualification Ranking from 1 April 2019 to 1 April 2021 for each of the Individual medal events on the Tokyo 2020 Event Programme except for the Marathon medal events.

The Qualification Ranking will only recognise athletes who were licensed at the time they achieved the result in accordance with the IPC Athlete Licensing Programme Policies valid for the 2019-2021 seasons and who hold an international sport class status of 'Review' or 'Confirmed' prior to 1 April 2021.

The top six (6) ranked athletes of each Individual medal event will obtain one (1) qualification slot for their respective NPC. In the case that an athlete is eligible in more than one (1) medal event for slot allocation under this method, he/she can only obtain one (1) qualification slot for his/her NPC.

Athletes who have obtained a qualification slot through the aforementioned methods cannot obtain an additional slot for their NPC through this allocation method.

In the case that fewer slots are allocated through this method than available in the quota, World Para Athletics will allocate the remaining slots via

athletes

163 female athletes

	the Representation Allocation method (see below).						
Representation Allocation	If an NPC has not qualified a minimum of one (1) slot in each gender via the aforementioned methods the NPC can earn up to one (1) male and one (1) female slot if the NPC has an athlete/athletes of that gender that has/have met a Minimum Entry Standard within the timeframe of the 24-month Qualification Ranking Potential Representation Allocation Scenarios:					entioned hale and has an as/have hin the Ranking.	athletes
		ously ed Slots	MES by	es with / 1 April)21	Allocati	entation on Slots lified	
	M	F	М	F	М	F	
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	0	0	0	≥1	0	1	
	0	0	≥1	0	1	0	
	≥1	0	≥1	≥1	0	1	
	0	≥1	≥1	≥1	1	0	
	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	≥1	≥1	≥1	≥1	0	0	
	≥1 ≥1 ≥1 ≥1 0 0 0 ≥ - Greater than or equal to In order to identify which athletes will be excluded from further allocation methods the Representation Allocation slots will be attributed to the highest ranked athlete per gender per NPC when an NPC has multiple athletes that have achieved an MES within the timeframe of the 24-month Qualification Ranking (1 April 2019 to 1 April 2021. In the case that fewer slots are allocated through this method than still available at this point, World Para Athletics will allocate the remaining slots via the High Performance Allocation method (see below).						

2021 World Para Athletics Marathon World Cup (tbd) or Marathon Qualification Ranking The two (2) highest ranked athletes in the Top 6 of each Marathon event on the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Programme who have achieved an MES at the 2021 World Para Athletics Marathon World Cup and have not otherwise obtained a qualification slot for their respective NPC will each obtain one (1) qualification slot for their NPC.

6 male athletes 4 female athletes

In the event that the 2021 World Para Athletics Marathon World Cup does not take place, WPA will instead employ a Marathon Qualification Ranking for each of the marathon events on the Tokyo 2020 Event Programme.

The Marathon Qualification Ranking will incorporate all WPA-recognised marathons from 1 April 2019 to 1 April 2021, except for races where the overall decrease in elevation between the start and the finish exceeds 1:1000, i.e. 1m per km.

The Marathon Qualification Ranking will only recognise athletes who were licensed at the time they achieved the result in accordance with the IPC Athlete Licensing Programme Policies valid for the 2019-2021 seasons and who hold an international Sport Class Status of 'Review' or 'Confirmed' prior to 1 April 2021.

The two (2) highest ranked athletes, according to the Marathon Qualification Ranking, in the top 6 of each Marathon event on the Tokyo 2020 Event Programme who have not otherwise obtained a qualification slot for their respective NPC will each obtain one (1) qualification slot for their NPC.

Whichever method of slot allocation is employed, in the case that fewer slots are allocated through this method than available in the quota, World Para Athletics will allocate the remaining slots via the High-Performance Allocation method (see below).

High Performance Allocation

World Para Athletics will release a set of High Performance Standards by 29 November 2019. Athletes who achieved these Standards at a World Para Athletics Recognised Competition between 1 October 2018 and June 2021 (exact date tbd) but who have not obtained a qualification slot for their respective NPC through the aforementioned methods will be considered to determine the High Performance Allocation of slots.

tbd male athletes tbd female athletes

The number of slots allocated via this method will be determined by the number of remaining slots available from the overall quota per gender following the conclusion of all aforementioned qualification methods.

High Performance Standards are only recognised for athletes who were licensed at the time they achieved the result and hold an international sport class status of 'Review' or 'Confirmed' prior to June 2021 (exact date tbd).

If more athletes have achieved a High Performance Standard than the total number of qualification slots available under this method, then the qualification slots will be allocated as follows:

Male Allocation*: $A \times (B \div C)$

Female Allocation*: $A \times (B \div C)$

- A Number of athletes** with a high performance per gender per NPC
- B Total number of available qualification slots per gender
- C Total number of athletes** with a high performance per gender for all NPCs

*World Para Athletics reserves the right to round up or down in order to achieve the required allocation of qualification slots per gender.

	**Only athletes who have not obtained a slot via the aforementioned qualification methods will be considered for the High Performance Allocation. If more qualification slots are available in a gender than the number of eligible athletes who have achieved an HPS, the remaining slots will be allocated via the Bipartite Commission Invitation method.	
Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation	Seven (7) eligible male athletes and seven (7) eligible female athletes will be considered by IPC and World Para Athletics for Bipartite Commission Invitation qualification slots. Some or all of these slots may be used to protect the viability of certain medal events.	
	To be considered for a Bipartite Commission Invitation slot, NPCs must submit an official application in writing to World Para Athletics by 1 June 2021.	
Total		630 male athletes 470 female athletes

UNIVERSAL RELAY ENTRY CONDITIONS

A maximum of sixteen (16) NPCs will be able to each enter one (1) team for the Universal Relay medal event.

The top four (4) ranked NPCs in the Universal Relay event at the 2019 World Para Athletics Championships each obtain one (1) team entry.

World Para Athletics will establish a Universal Relay Qualification Ranking from 1 October 2018 to 1 August 2021 for the Universal Relay medal event. The twelve (12) highest ranked teams in the Universal Relay ranking (not yet eligible) at the end of the period to achieve performances will each obtain one (1) team entry.

No additional athlete qualification slots will be allocated for the Universal Relay medal event. All relay teams must comprise of athletes already entered into an individual event and the composition of the team will be subject to the relevant World Para Athletics competition rules.

TIMELINE

1 October 2018	World Para Athletics publish the Minimum Entry Standards (MES) for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games
1 October 2018	Start of the period for athletes to achieve MES and High Performances
1 October 2018	Start of the period for teams to achieve results towards the Universal Relay Qualification ranking
1 April 2019	Start of the period for athletes to achieve results towards the Qualification Ranking Allocation and Representation Allocation
28 April 2019	2019 World Para Athletics Marathon Championships, London, UK
7-15 November 2019	2019 World Para Athletics Championships, Dubai, UAE
29 November 2019	World Para Athletics publish the High Performance Standards for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games
4 December 2019	World Para Athletics confirm in writing to the NPCs the allocation of direct allocation slots obtained through the 2019 World Para Athletics Championships and 2019 World Para Athletics Marathon Championships
16 December 2019	Deadline for NPCs to confirm the use of direct qualification slots obtained through the 2019 World Para Athletics Championships and 2019 World Para Athletics Marathon Championships
1 April 2021	End of the period for athletes to achieve results towards the Qualification Ranking Allocation and Representation Allocation
2021, tbd	2021 World Para Athletics Marathon World Cup (tbd)
3 May 2021	Start of the Bipartite Commission Invitation application process
5 May 2021	World Para Athletics confirm in writing to NPCs the allocation of the Qualification Ranking Allocation and Representation Allocation slots
May 2021, tbd	World Para Athletics confirm in writing to NPCs the allocation of direct allocation slots obtained through the 2021 World Para Athletics Marathon World Cup or Marathon Qualification Ranking

14 May 2021	Deadline for Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee to receive accreditation application forms submitted by NPCs ("Accreditation Long List")
19 May 2021	Deadline for NPCs to confirm the use of direct qualification slots obtained through the Qualification Ranking Allocation and Representation Allocation
May 2021, tbd	Deadline for NPCs to confirm the use of direct qualification slots obtained through the 2021 World Para Athletics Marathon World Cup or Marathon Qualification Ranking
1 June 2021	Deadline for NPCs to submit applications for Bipartite Commission Invitations
June 2021, tbd	End of the period for athletes to achieve High Performances for calculating the qualification slots allocated through the High Performance Allocation method
June 2021, tbd	World Para Athletics notify in writing to the NPCs the allocation of slots through the High Performance Allocation
23 June 2021	World Para Athletics confirm in writing the awarding of Bipartite Commission Invitation slots
6 July 2021	NPCs confirm in writing to World Para Athletics the use of allocated qualification slots through the High Performance Allocation
6 July 2021	NPCs confirm in writing to World Para Athletics the acceptance of Bipartite Commission Invitation slots
14 July 2021	World Para Athletics confirm in writing the reallocation of any unused qualification slots
1 August 2021	End of the period for athletes to achieve MES performances for entry to the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games
1 August 2021	End of the period for teams to achieve results towards the Universal Relay Qualification ranking
2 August 2021	Deadline for Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee to receive sport entry forms submitted by NPCs

CONFIRMATION PROCESS OF ALLOCATED SLOTS

By the dates published herein each qualified NPC must confirm to World Para Athletics in writing (fax and email are accepted) if they wish to use their slots allocated through the qualification slot allocation methods. NPCs that have not responded by the respective dates will lose their qualification slots, and World Para Athletics may reallocate these slots.

By 14 July 2021 World Para Athletics confirm in writing the reallocation of unused qualification slots.

By 14 July 2021 it is officially declared that the respective NPCs will use the allocated slots for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games. Any NPC that does not use its allocated slots may be subject to sanctions by the IPC.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS

Any qualification slots allocated and not used by the respective NPC will be reallocated via the Bipartite Invitation Commission Allocation method.

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MEN

No	Event Name	Eligible Classes	High Performance Standard	Minimum Entry Standard
1	100m T11	T11	11.52	11.90
2	100m T12	T12	11.10	11.50
3	100m T13	T13	11.13	11.50
4	100m T33	T33	20.90	24.00
5	100m T34	T34	16.38	17.30
6	100m T35	T35	13.52	15.60
7	100m T36	T36	12.51	13.70
8	100m T37	T37	11.93	12.80
9	100m T38	T38	11.58	12.50
10	100m T47	T45/46/47	11.06	11.60
11	100m T51	T51	22.74	28.00
12	100m T52	T52	17.96	20.00
13	100m T53	T53	15.30	16.20
14	100m T54	T54	14.31	14.70
15	100m T63	T42,T63	13.09	15.60
16	100m T64	T44,T62/64	11.47	12.00
17	200m T35	T35	28.29	32.00
18	200m T37	T37	24.22	26.00
19	200m T51	T51	42.84	51.00
20	200m T61	T61	28.00	28.50
21	200m T64	T44, T64	23.65	25.10
22	400m T11	T11	54.34	57.00
23	400m T12	T12	50.40	54.00
24	400m T13	T13	51.00	54.00
25	400m T20	T20	49.87	52.60
26	400m T36	T36	59.36	01:04.00
27	400m T37	T37	55.12	01:00.00
28	400m T38	T38	54.36	01:00.00
29	400m T47	T45/46/47	50.15	53.50
30	400m T52	T51/52	01:03.27	01:30.00
31	400m T53	T53	50.74	54.00
32	400m T54	T54	46.75	48.50
33	400m T62	T62	55.15	01:10.00
34	800m T34	T33/34	01:47.49	02:03.00
35	800m T53	T53	01:40.69	01:51.00

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36	800m T54	T54	01:33.00	01:37.00
37	1500m T11	T11	04:21.42	04:32.00
38	1500m T13	T12*/13	03:58.32	04:08.00
39	1500m T20	T20	03:59.93	04:12.00
40	1500m T38	T37/38	04:23.86	04:45.00
41	1500m T46	T45/46	04:05.39	04:26.00
42	1500m T52	T51/52	03:56.52	05:20.00
43	1500m T54	T53/54	02:55.21	03:07.00
44	5000m T11	T11	16:04.27	16:55.00
45	5000m T13	T12/13	15:11.47	15:57.00
46	5000m T54	T53/54	10:00.27	10:50.00
47	Marathon T12	T11/12	02:33:49	03:00:00
48	Marathon T46	T45/46	02:47:39	03:00:00
49	Marathon T54	T52/53/54	01:24:02	01:35:00
50	Long Jump T11	T11	5.99m	5.30m
51	Long Jump T12	T12	6.65m	6.00m
52	Long Jump T13	T13	6.30m	5.50m
53	Long Jump T20	T20	6.65m	6.00m
54	Long Jump T36	T36	5.02m	4.00m
55	Long Jump T37	T37	5.80m	5.00m
56	Long Jump T38	T38	5.61m	4.70m
57	Long Jump T47	T45/46/47	6.65m	6.10m
58	Long Jump T63	T42, T61/63	5.42m	4.40m
59	Long Jump T64	T44, T62/64	6.50m	5.50m
60	High Jump T47	T45/46/47	1.86m	1.50m
61	High Jump T63	T42, T63	1.59m	1.50m
62	High Jump T64	T44, T64	1.86m	1.40m
63	Club Throw F32	F31/32	30.72m	22.00m
64	Club Throw F51	F51	27.49m	17.00m
65	Discus Throw F11	F11	36.41m	29.00m
66	Discus Throw F37	F37	45.46m	39.00m
67	Discus Throw F52	F51/52	17.19m	10.00m
68	Discus Throw F56	F54/55/56	37.26m	33.00m
69	Discus Throw F64	F43/44, F62/64	48.30m	40.00m
70	Javelin Throw F13	F12*/13	54.06m	43.00m
71	Javelin Throw F34	F33/34	26.38m	19.00m
72	Javelin Throw F38	F38	45.87m	30.00m
73	Javelin Throw F41	F40/41	34.83m	27.00m
74	Javelin Throw F46	F45/46	49.43m	39.00m

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75	Javelin Throw F54	F53/54	24.00m	19.70m
76	Javelin Throw F57	F56/57	39.75m	31.00m
77	Javelin Throw F64	F42/43/44, F61/62/63/64	55.20m	44.00m
78	Shot Put F11	F11	11.63m	7.50m
79	Shot Put F12	F12	13.38m	11.50m
80	Shot Put F20	F20	14.22m	11.00m
81	Shot Put F32	F32	8.47m	6.50m
82	Shot Put F33	F33	8.88m	6.50m
83	Shot Put F34	F34	10.24m	7.70m
84	Shot Put F35	F35	13.45m	9.00m
85	Shot Put F36	F36	12.69m	9.00m
86	Shot Put F37	F37	12.69m	11.00m
87	Shot Put F40	F40	9.02m	6.00m
88	Shot Put F41	F41	10.65m	8.70m
89	Shot Put F46	F45/F46	14.29m	11.00m
90	Shot Put F53	F53	7.12m	5.00m
91	Shot Put F55	F54/55	10.66m	9.50m
92	Shot Put F57	F56/57	12.49m	11.00m
93	Shot Put F63	F42, F61/63	12.99m	11.20m

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1	100m T11	T11	13.26	14.50
2	100m T12	T12	12.51	14.30
3	100m T13	T13	13.07	15.00
4	100m T34	T33/34	20.15	25.00
5	100m T35	T35	16.14	20.50
6	100m T36	T36	15.29	17.30
7	100m T37	T37	14.43	15.40
8	100m T38	T38	13.88	15.20
9	100m T47	T45/46/47	12.92	13.60
10	100m T53	T53	17.59	20.00
11	100m T54	T54	17.33	18.25
12	100m T63	T42, T63	16.62	20.00
13	100m T64	T44, T62/64	13.56	16.00
14	200m T11	T11	27.11	31.00
15	200m T12	T12	25.96	30.00
16	200m T35	T35	34.15	42.00
17	200m T36	T36	32.93	37.00
18	200m T37	T37	29.83	33.20
19	200m T47	T45/46/47	26.59	29.00
20	200m T64	T44, T64	28.11	33.00
21	400m T11	T11	01:02.19	01:12.00
22	400m T12	T12	01:01.89	01:12.00
23	400m T13	T13	01:02.73	01:16.00
24	400m T20	T20	01:00.06	01:06.00
25	400m T37	T37	01:07.84	01:20.00
26	400m T38	T38	01:06.11	01:17.00
27	400m T47	T45/46/47	01:01.99	01:14.00
28	400m T53	T53	57.32	01:10.00
29	400m T54	T54	57.53	01:01.00
30	800m T34	T33/34	02:36.74	02:50.00
31	800m T53	T53	01:52.50	02:22.00
32	800m T54	T54	01:51.21	02:05.00
33	1500m T11	T11	04:56.28	06:20.00
34	1500m T13	T12*/13	04:56.57	05:35.00
35	1500m T20	T20	04:57.48	05:20.00

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36	1500m T54	T53/54	03:28.72	03:50.00
37	5000m T54	T53/54	11:45.61	13:30.00
38	Marathon T12	T11/12	03:15:29	03:35:00
39	Marathon T54	T52/53/54 01:44:43		01:58:00
40	Long Jump T11	T11	4.60m	3.40m
41	Long Jump T12	T12	4.93m	3.70m
42	Long Jump T20	T20	5.17m	4.30m
43	Long Jump T37	T37	4.06m	3.50m
44	Long Jump T38	T38	4.56m	3.75m
45	Long Jump T47	T45/46/47	5.05m	4.00m
46	Long Jump T63	T42, T61/63	3.93m	3.00m
47	Long Jump T64	T44, T62/64	5.14m	3.80m
48	Club Throw F32	F31/32	17.44m	13.00m
49	Club Throw F51	F51	11.92m	10.00m
50	Discus Throw F11	F11	26.35m	18.00m
51	Discus Throw F38	F37/38	26.05m	22.00m
52	Discus Throw F41	F40/41	22.60m	17.00m
53	Discus Throw F53	F51/52/53	11.62m	6.00m
54	Discus Throw F55	F54/55	19.45m	14.50m
55	Discus Throw F57	F56/57	26.68m	19.00m
56	Discus Throw F64	F43/44, F62/64	28.90m	18.00m
57	Javelin Throw F13	F12*/13	33.04m	19.00m
58	Javelin Throw F34	F33/34	13.80m	11.50m
59	Javelin Throw F46	F45/46	32.89m	18.00m
60	Javelin Throw F54	F53/54	13. <i>7</i> 1m	9.00m
61	Javelin Throw F56	F55/56	16.98m	13.00m
62	Shot Put F12	F11*/12	11.02m	9.00m
63	Shot Put F20	F20	11.92m	10.00m
64	Shot Put F32	F32	5.35m	3.00m
65	Shot Put F33	F33	5.59m	3.50m
66	Shot Put F34	F34	6.20m	5.20m
67	Shot Put F35	F35	6.57m	6.00m
68	Shot Put F36	F36	7.14m	6.00m
69	Shot Put F37	F37	8.88m	7.50m
70	Shot Put F40	F40	6.17m	4.00m
<i>7</i> 1	Shot Put F41	not Put F41 F41 7.85m		5.50m
72	Shot Put F54	F54	6.30m	4.30m
73	Shot Put F57	F56/57	9.35m	7.00m

GLOSSARY

Athlete eligibility	The list of requirements to be met by an athlete to be considered for qualification and/or entry. Some eligibility requirements apply to all athletes, others are specific to their particular sport.		
Slot allocation	Each sport is given a fixed number (quota) of athletes that may participate in the Games. The allocation of these qualification slots is then attributed to either an individual athlete/team or to their NPC depending on the sport and the respective qualification method.		
Athlete quota	The total number of athlete and team qualification slots by sport, by gender and/or by sport class (if applicable).		
Events	The list of medal events by sport that will be offered during the Paralympic Games.		
Process of confirmation	The exchange of written statements through which an NPC commits to sending athletes to the Paralympic Games based on the number of qualification slots offered to the NPC by an IF.		
International Federation (IF)	The organization responsible for governance of the respective sport on the Paralympic Programme.		
Maximum quota allocation per NPC	The maximum number of qualification slots by gender, by sport class and/or by event an NPC may be allocated in a given sport.		
Maximum entry per NPC	The maximum number of athletes by gender and/or by sport class an NPC may enter in a given medal event.		
Qualification system	The methods used in each sport to allocate qualification slots to the NPCs. Listed here in the order of the actual progression which may not be chronological.		
Reallocation of unused qualification slots	The method by which an IF offers a qualification slot to a different NPC if it has been declined by the NPC whose athlete(s) originally earned it.		
Redistribution of vacant qualification slots	The method by which the IPC (at its sole discretion) offers any qualification slot that could not be reallocated by the established deadline or that becomes available afterwards to any athlete in any sport.		
Qualifying timeline	The timeline by sport outlining the significant dates concerning qualification, notification, confirmation and athlete data submission.		

REGISTER OF UPDATES

SECTION	DATE	CHANGES & ADDITIONS
Entire publication	30 April 2020	Revised document following Games postponement to 2021. Includes the following sports: Archery, Athletics, Boccia, Goalball, Powerlifting, Rowing, Shooting, Swimming, Triathlon, Wheelchair Basketball, Wheelchair Fencing.