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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
- 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 9 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.

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 EVENTS				ATHLETE SLOTS			
	Male	Female	Mixed	Total	Male	Female	Gender-Free	Total
Archery	3	3	3	9	80	60	0	140
Athletics	93	74	1	168	660	440	0	1100
Badminton	7	6	1	14	44	46	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	228	40	540	2346	1754	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, Cycling, Judo, Powerlifting, Rowing, Shooting, Swimming, Table Tennis, Taekwondo, 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 deadline for final sport entries) 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 announce the UWC application process one (1) year prior to the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.



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 sub-clause 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: 08 May 2020

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 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 08 May 2020 can be entered into the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games by the sport entries deadline (see below).

Sport Entries Deadline: 03 August 2020

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 3 August 2020. Sport entries will close at 23:59h, Tokyo time, on 03 August 2020.

TABLE TENNIS

Medal Events

Male	Female	Mixed	Total
17	14	0	31
Singles - Class 1	Singles - Class 1-2		
Singles - Class 2	Singles - Class 3		
Singles - Class 3	Singles - Class 4		
Singles - Class 4	Singles - Class 5		
Singles - Class 5	Singles - Class 6		
Singles - Class 6	Singles - Class 7		
Singles - Class 7	Singles - Class 8		
Singles - Class 8	Singles - Class 9		
Singles - Class 9	Singles - Class 10		
Singles - Class 10	Singles - Class 11		
Singles - Class 11			
Team - Class 1-2	Team - Class 1-3		
Team - Class 3	Team - Class 4-5		
Team - Class 4-5	Team - Class 6-8		
Team - Class 6-7	Team – Class 9-10		
Team – Class 8			
Team - Class 9-10			

Athlete Quota

Male	Female	Gender Free	Total
174	106	0	280

Allocation of Qualification Slots

The qualification slot is allocated to the individual athlete, not to the NPC.



Maximum Quota Allocation per NPC

An NPC may be allocated a maximum of three (3) qualification slots per individual medal event for a maximum of thirty-three (33) male slots and thirty (30) female slots.

Athlete Eligibility

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

- meet the requirements of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) Tournament Credit System in effect for the qualification period (1 January 2019 to 31 March 2020). This requirement does not apply to:
 - Athletes qualified via the World Qualification Tournament, and
 - Athletes selected by the Bipartite Commission;
- be ranked on the ITTF Para Table Tennis (PTT) World Ranking List closing 31 March 2020;
- be internationally classified with a 'Confirmed' sport class status.

Maximum Entry per NPC

An NPC can enter a maximum of three (3) eligible athletes per singles event.

An NPC can enter a maximum of one (1) eligible team per team event, comprising a minimum of two (2) and a maximum of three (3) eligible athletes entered in singles events.

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Qualification slots will be allocated as follows:

METHOD	QUALIFICATION	TOTAL
2019 ITTF PTT Regional Championships Allocation	The top ranked male athlete in each singles event from the following 2019 ITTF PTT Regional Championships qualifies: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Africa▪ Americas▪ Asia▪ Europe▪ Oceania	55 male athletes



	<p>The top ranked female athlete in each singles event from the following 2019 ITTF PTT Regional Championships qualifies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Africa ▪ Americas ▪ Asia ▪ Europe ▪ Oceania <p>Singles events at the 2019 ITTF PTT Regional Championships may include different sport class combinations from those at the Paralympic Games. In such cases, the top ranked player in the respective singles event will be allocated the 2019 ITTF PTT Regional Championships qualification slot for his/her respective sport class. For those athletes competing in the same singles event under a different sport class, the qualification slot will be allocated to the highest ranked athlete from that region on the ITTF PTT Male and Female World Ranking List closing 31 March 2020.</p> <p>In the case that a 2019 ITTF PTT Regional Championships is not conducted or an event is not held at a 2019 ITTF PTT Regional Championships, the qualification slots attributed to the respective competition or specific event will be allocated to the highest ranked athlete from that region on the ITTF PTT Male and Female World Ranking List closing 31 March 2020.</p> <p>Any slot that cannot be allocated via this method will be allocated (regardless of region) via the ITTF PTT World Ranking List Allocation method.</p>	50 female athletes
ITTF PTT World Ranking List Allocation	<p>The top ranked male athletes, not otherwise qualified, up to the established quota for the individual singles event, on the ITTF PTT Male World Ranking Lists closing 31 March 2020, qualify:</p>	72 male athletes



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World Qualification Tournament Allocation	<p>The top ranked athlete not otherwise qualified in each medal event will obtain one qualification slot.</p> <p>In case a particular medal event is not offered at the Qualification Tournament, the respective slot will be allocated via the Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation method. In case two or more classes are combined at the Qualification Tournament, the top ranked athlete in such a combined event obtains the qualification slot in their class while the vacant slot(s) will be allocated via the Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation method.</p>	11 male athletes 10 female athletes																																														



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Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation	Eligible male athletes will be considered by the IPC and ITTF for Bipartite Commission Invitation qualification slots, up to the established quota for the individual singles event: <table><tr><th>Individual Event</th><th>Quota</th></tr><tr><td>Class 1</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>Class 2</td><td>4</td></tr><tr><td>Class 3</td><td>5</td></tr><tr><td>Class 4</td><td>4</td></tr><tr><td>Class 5</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>Class 6</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>Class 7</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>Class 8</td><td>5</td></tr><tr><td>Class 9</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>Class 10</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>Class 11</td><td>2</td></tr></table>	Individual Event	Quota	Class 1	2	Class 2	4	Class 3	5	Class 4	4	Class 5	2	Class 6	3	Class 7	3	Class 8	5	Class 9	3	Class 10	3	Class 11	2	36 male athletes
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	To be considered for a Bipartite slot, NPCs (including host country) must submit an official application in writing to ITTF by 30 April 2020.	
Women's Team Events Completion Allocation	In order to secure viability of the Women's Team events four (4) female qualification slots will be allocated at the ITTF's discretion to eligible athletes who can complete a team together with another player from the same NPC. The selected athletes will also be allowed to enter their respective Singles event. If event viability has been secured the ITTF may choose not to allocate some or all of these slots.	4 female athletes
Total		174 male athletes 106 female athletes

TIMELINE

1 January 2019	Start of the period for athletes to attain performances to be recorded on the ITTF PTT Male and Female World Ranking Lists
1-4 May 2019	ITTF Oceania Para Championships, Darwin, Australia
30 June-3 July 2019	ITTF African Para Championships, Alexandria, Egypt
23-27 July 2019	ITTF Asian Para Championships, Taichung, Chinese Taipei
22-27 Aug. 2019	Parapan American Games, Lima, Peru
16-21 Sep. 2019	ITTF European Para Championships, Helsingborg, Sweden
31 March 2020	End of the period for athletes to attain performances to be recorded on the ITTF PTT Male and Female World Ranking Lists
15 April 2020	ITTF confirms in writing to the NPCs the allocation of qualification slots from Regional Championships and World Rankings
15 April 2020	Start of Bipartite Commission Invitation application process
April 2020, tbc	ITTF PTT World Qualification Tournament
30 April 2020	NPCs confirm in writing the use of allocated qualification slots



30 April 2020	Deadline to submit Bipartite Commission Invitation applications to ITTF
8 May 2020	Deadline for Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee to receive accreditation application forms submitted by NPCs (“Accreditation Long List”)
15 May 2020	ITTF confirms in writing to the NPCs the allocation of qualification slots from the World Qualification Tournament
15 May 2020	ITTF confirms in writing the reallocation of unused qualification slots, the allocation of Women’s Team Completion slots and the awarding of Bipartite Commission Invitation slots as well as the team compositions
22 May 2020	NPCs confirm in writing the use of qualification slots from the World Qualification Tournament
23 May 2020	ITTF confirms in writing to the NPCs the reallocation of unused qualification slots from the World Qualification Tournament
29 May 2020	NPCs confirm in writing the use of reallocated qualification slots, Women’s Team Completion slots and Bipartite slots as well as the team compositions
10 June 2020	ITTF confirms in writing to the NPCs the final competition formats for team events
3 August 2020	Deadline for Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee to receive sport entry forms submitted by NPCs

CONFIRMATION PROCESS OF ALLOCATED SLOTS

By 30 April 2020 and 22 May 2020 respectively each qualified NPC must confirm to ITTF in writing (email is accepted) the number of qualification slots for selected players which they will use. NPCs that have not replied by these dates will have lost their qualification slots, and the ITTF may reallocate these slots.

By 23 May 2020 ITTF will confirm in writing the reallocation of all unused qualification slots.

By 29 May 2020 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 IPC and ITTF.



REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS

Any qualification slots that are not used by the respective NPC will be reallocated as follows:

Slots allocated at the 2019 ITTF PTT Regional Championships or the World Qualification Tournament

Any qualification slots obtained through the individual qualification method at a 2019 ITTF PTT Regional Championships or at the World Qualification Tournament and not used by the respective NPC will be reallocated to the next highest ranked athlete(s) from that respective competition (not otherwise qualified). In the case that no eligible athlete is available, the slot(s) will be reallocated to the next highest ranked athlete(s) on the ITTF PTT World Ranking List closing 31 March 2020.

Slots allocated through the ITTF PTT World Ranking List Allocation Method

Any qualification slots that are not used by an NPC will be reallocated by the ITTF to the next highest ranked athlete on the ITTF PTT Male and Female World Ranking Lists closing 31 March 2020.

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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 after close of sport entries to any athlete in any sport.
Qualifying timeline	The timeline by sport outlining the significant dates concerning qualification, notification, confirmation and athlete data submission.

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SECTION	DATE	CHANGES & ADDITIONS
Shooting	6 April 2018	Slots that cannot be allocated due to lack of MQS will go to Bipartite
Equestrian	6 April 2018	Host country cannot obtain regular qualification slots
Qualification methods	27 April 2018	Definition of “direct slots”
Qualification period	27 April 2018	Clarification and refinement
Rowing	27 April 2018	Sport chapter added
Table Tennis	15 May 2018	Sport chapter added
Cycling	26 June 2018	Sport chapter added (incl. adjusted medal events quota)
Badminton	19 July 2018	Sport chapter added
Goalball	14 Sep. 2018	Dates for Regional Championships added
Wh. Basketball	14 Sep. 2018	Revised qualification system as per IWBF request
Swimming	14 Sep. 2018	New publication date for MQS and MET
Archery	5 Oct. 2018	Clarification on year of CQT Europe (2020)
Athletics	5 Oct. 2018	Minimum Entry Standards released
Judo	5 Oct. 2018	Minimum age added; location of 2018 World Championships
Wh. Tennis	5 Oct. 2018	Reallocation of confirmed slots before sport entry deadline
Boccia	15 Nov. 2018	Dates for Regional Championships added
Table Tennis	15 Nov. 2018	Dates for Regional Championships added
Swimming	15 Nov. 2018	MQS list added
Triathlon	28 Nov. 2018	Sport chapter added
Table Tennis	20 Dec. 2018	New ITTF address
Triathlon	20 Dec. 2018	Adjusted qualification period by one day
Wh. Tennis	20 Dec. 2018	Included ‘FRD’ sport class status under eligibility conditions