



## 21. PARA SWIMMING

### MEDAL EVENTS

Men's	Women's	Mixed/Open	Total
71	64	6	141

Detailed medal events and MQS/MET list at the end of this chapter

### ATHLETE QUOTA

Male	Female	Gender-free	Total
325	280	0	605

### ALLOCATION OF QUALIFICATION SLOTS

The qualification slot is allocated to the NPC not to the individual athlete, with the exception of Bipartite Commission Invitation slots which are allocated to the individual athlete, not to the NPC.

To ensure all medal events on the program are viable at the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games World Para Swimming ("WPS") reserves the right to allocate slots to the exclusive use of certain sport classes determined by WPS, for example for athletes with high support needs. The slot shall be used as allocated or the NPC must return the slot to WPS.

### MAXIMUM QUOTA ALLOCATION PER NPC

An NPC can be allocated a maximum of thirty-four (34) male qualification slots and a maximum of twenty-eight (28) female qualification slots for a maximum total of sixty-two (62) qualification slots per NPC. Exceptions may be granted through the Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation method.

### ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for selection by an NPC athletes must:

1. hold a World Para Swimming Athlete License for the 2024 season;
2. be internationally classified before 30 June 2024; in an eligible Sport Class with a Sport Class Status of (i) Confirmed or (ii) Review with a Fixed Review Date of 2025 or later;

3. have achieved a Minimum Qualification Standard (“MQS”) at a 50m World Para Swimming Recognised Competition (as defined in the World Para Swimming Rules & Regulations) for the respective event (including relay events) between 1 October 2022 and 28th July 2024 (inclusive);
4. have achieved a MQS in accordance with the World Para Swimming Athlete Registration and Licensing Regulations valid for the 2022-2024 seasons;
5. have competed in: (i) at least one (1) Para Swimming World Series between 1 October 2022 and 30 June 2024 (inclusive); and (ii) one (1) of the following competitions between 1 October 2022 and 30 June 2024 (inclusive):
  - any World Para Swimming World Championships;
  - any World Para Swimming Regional or Regional Open Championships;
  - 2022 Asian Para Games; or
  - 2023 Parapan American Games.

Exceptions may be granted to criteria 3, 4 and 5 (shown above) through the Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation method.

### **MAXIMUM ENTRY PER NPC**

An NPC may enter a maximum of three (3) eligible athletes per individual medal event.

NPCs may enter their eligible athletes who have met at least one (1) MQS in an unlimited number of medal events, subject to the athlete having met the Minimum Entry Time (MET) for each event entered into.

NPCs may enter a maximum of one (1) team in each relay event, subject to the MQS for that relay event having been met. All team members must have entered at least one (1) individual medal event to be selected as part of the relay team.

### **QUALIFICATION SYSTEM**

Qualification slots will be allocated in the following order:

<b>METHOD</b>	<b>QUALIFICATION</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>2023 World Championships Allocation</b>	The top two (2) ranked athletes at the 2023 World Para Swimming World Championships in each of the Individual medal events on the Paris 2024 Paralympic Programme will each obtain one (1) qualification slot for their respective NPC. In the case that an athlete is ranked first or second in more than one medal event, they will	142 male athletes 128 female athletes

	<p>only obtain one (1) qualification slot for their NPC.</p> <p>In the case that fewer slots are allocated through this method than available in the quota, WPS will allocate the remaining slots via the MQS Slot Allocation Method.</p>	
<b>MQS Slot Allocation</b>	<p>Athletes who achieved an MQS performance at a World Para Swimming Recognised Competition between 1 October 2022 and 31 January 2024 but who did not obtain a slot through the 2023 World Championships Allocation method for their respective NPC will be considered to determine the NPC's MQS Qualification Allocation slots.</p> <p>An NPC may be allocated no more than one (1) qualification slot per athlete even if the athlete has achieved an MQS in multiple events.</p> <p>If more athletes have achieved an MQS than the total number of qualification slots available under this method, then the qualification slots will be allocated as below. The highest ranking of the athlete in any Individual medal event on the WPS World Ranking List closing 31 January 2024 will be taken into account (weighted) to determine the final number of slots allocated to each NPC:</p> <p>Rank 1-8 equals 1  Rank 9-12 equals 0.8  Rank 13-16 equals 0.6  Rank above 16 equals 0.5</p> <p><b>Male:</b>  <math>A \times (B \div C) = \text{NPC Allocation}</math></p> <p><u>A</u>: NPC's total number of male athletes with an MQS (based on the weight of their rank) who have not obtained a slot through the 2023 World Championships Allocation method.</p> <p><u>B</u>: Total number of available male qualification slots</p>	<p>178 male athletes</p> <p>147 female athletes</p>

	<p><u>C</u>: Total number of male athletes with an MQS (based on the weight of their rank) who have not obtained a slot through the 2023 World Championships Allocation method.</p> <p><b>Female:</b>  <math>D \times (E \div F) = \text{NPC Allocation}</math></p> <p><u>D</u>: NPC's total number of female athletes with an MQS (based on the weight of their rank) who have not obtained a slot through the 2023 World Championships Allocation method.</p> <p><u>E</u>: Total number of available female qualification slots</p> <p><u>F</u>: Total number of female athletes with an MQS (based on the weight of their rank) who have not obtained a slot through the 2023 World Championships Allocation method.</p> <p>WPS reserves the right to round up or down in order to achieve the required allocation of qualification slots per gender.</p> <p>Any qualification slot not allocated under this method will be distributed through the Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation method.</p>	
<b>Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation</b>	<p>Five (5) eligible male athletes and five (5) eligible female athletes will be considered for Bipartite Commission Invitation qualification slots.</p> <p>To be considered for a Bipartite Commission Invitation slot, NPCs must submit an official application in writing to WPS by 16 April 2024.</p>	<p>5 male athletes</p> <p>5 female athletes</p>
<b>Total</b>		<p><b>325 male athletes</b></p> <p><b>280 female athletes</b></p>

**TIMELINE**

1 October 2022	Start of the period for athletes to achieve MQS performances
1 November 2022	WPS to publish the MQS and MET levels for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games medal events programme
31 July to 6 August 2023	2023 Para Swimming World Championships Manchester
15 September 2023	WPS confirms in writing to NPCs the allocation of 2023 Para Swimming World Championships Allocation Slots
29 September 2023	NPCs confirm in writing to WPS the use of 2023 World Championships Allocation Slots
31 January 2024	End of the period for athletes to achieve MQS performances for consideration by WPS in calculating the qualification slots allocated through the MQS Slot Allocation method
16 February 2024	Start of the Bipartite Commission Invitation application process
16 February 2024	WPS notifies in writing to the NPCs the allocation of slots through the MQS Slot Allocation method
1 March 2024	NPCs confirm in writing to WPS the use of allocated qualification slots through the MQS Slot Allocation method
12 April 2024	Deadline for NPCs to submit applications for Bipartite Commission Invitations
28 June 2024	WPS confirms in writing the awarding of Bipartite Commission Invitation slots
28 June 2024	WPS confirms in writing the reallocation of any unused qualification slots
Tbd, 2024	Deadline for Paris 2024 Organising Committee to receive accreditation application forms submitted by NPCs ("Accreditation Long List")
28 July 2024	End of the period for athletes to achieve MQS performances to be eligible for selection by their NPC
5 August 2024	Deadline for Paris 2024 Organising Committee to receive sport entry forms submitted by NPCs

**LIST OF MEDAL EVENTS**

<b>Men's Events (71)</b>	<b>Women's Events (64)</b>	<b>Mixed Events (6)</b>
50m Freestyle S3	50m Freestyle S4	4x50m Freestyle 20 points Relay
50m Freestyle S4	50m Freestyle S6	
50m Freestyle S5	50m Freestyle S8	4x50m Medley 20 points Relay
50m Freestyle S7	50m Freestyle S10	
50m Freestyle S9	50m Freestyle S11	4x100m Freestyle S14 Relay
50m Freestyle S10	50m Freestyle S13	
50m Freestyle S11	100m Freestyle S3	4x100m Freestyle VI 49 points Relay
50m Freestyle S13	100m Freestyle S5	
100m Freestyle S4	100m Freestyle S7	4x100m Freestyle 34 points Relay
100m Freestyle S5	100m Freestyle S9	
100m Freestyle S6	100m Freestyle S10	4x100m Medley 34 points Relay
100m Freestyle S8	100m Freestyle S11	
100m Freestyle S10	100m Freestyle S12	
100m Freestyle S12	200m Freestyle S5	
200m Freestyle S2	200m Freestyle S14	
200m Freestyle S3	400m Freestyle S6	
200m Freestyle S4	400m Freestyle S7	
200m Freestyle S5	400m Freestyle S8	
200m Freestyle S14	400m Freestyle S9	
400m Freestyle S6	400m Freestyle S10	
400m Freestyle S7	400m Freestyle S11	
400m Freestyle S8	400m Freestyle S13	
400m Freestyle S9	50m Backstroke S2	
400m Freestyle S11	50m Backstroke S3	
400m Freestyle S13	50m Backstroke S4	
50m Backstroke S1	50m Backstroke S5	
50m Backstroke S2	100m Backstroke S2	
50m Backstroke S3	100m Backstroke S6	
50m Backstroke S4	100m Backstroke S8	
50m Backstroke S5	100m Backstroke S9	
100m Backstroke S1	100m Backstroke S10	
100m Backstroke S2	100m Backstroke S11	
100m Backstroke S6	100m Backstroke S12	
100m Backstroke S7	100m Backstroke S13	
100m Backstroke S8	100m Backstroke S14	
100m Backstroke S9	50m Breaststroke SB3	
100m Backstroke S10	100m Breaststroke SB4	
100m Backstroke S11	100m Breaststroke SB5	
100m Backstroke S12	100m Breaststroke SB6	
100m Backstroke S13	100m Breaststroke SB7	
100m Backstroke S14	100m Breaststroke SB8	
50m Breaststroke SB2	100m Breaststroke SB9	
50m Breaststroke SB3	100m Breaststroke SB11	
100m Breaststroke SB4	100m Breaststroke SB12	
100m Breaststroke SB5	100m Breaststroke SB13	

**CONFIRMATION PROCESS OF ALLOCATED SLOTS**

By the dates published herein each qualified NPC must confirm to WPS in writing (e-mail is accepted) if they wish to use their slots allocated through the 2023 World Championships Allocation and MQS Slot Allocation methods. NPCs that have not responded by the respective dates will lose their qualification slots, and WPS may reallocate these slots.

By 28 June 2024 WPS will confirm in writing the reallocation of all unused qualification slots.

By 28 June 2024 it is officially declared that the respective NPCs will use the allocated slots for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games. Any NPC that does not use its allocated slots may be subject to sanctions by IPC.

**REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS**

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

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<b>Men's Events (71)</b>	<b>Women's Events (64)</b>	<b>Mixed Events (6)</b>
100m Breaststroke SB6	100m Breaststroke SB14	
100m Breaststroke SB8	50m Butterfly S5	
100m Breaststroke SB9	50m Butterfly S6	
100m Breaststroke SB11	50m Butterfly S7	
100m Breaststroke SB13	100m Butterfly S8	
100m Breaststroke SB14	100m Butterfly S9	
50m Butterfly S5	100m Butterfly S10	
50m Butterfly S6	100m Butterfly S13	
50m Butterfly S7	100m Butterfly S14	
100m Butterfly S8	150m Individual Medley	
100m Butterfly S9	SM4	
100m Butterfly S10	200m Individual Medley	
100m Butterfly S11	SM5	
100m Butterfly S12	200m Individual Medley	
100m Butterfly S13	SM6	
100m Butterfly S14	200m Individual Medley	
150m Individual Medley	SM7	
SM3	200m Individual Medley	
150m Individual Medley	SM8	
SM4	200m Individual Medley	
200m Individual Medley	SM9	
SM6	200m Individual Medley	
200m Individual Medley	SM10	
SM7	200m Individual Medley	
200m Individual Medley	SM11	
SM8	200m Individual Medley	
200m Individual Medley	SM13	
SM9	200m Individual Medley	
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