



PARIS 2024 PARALYMPIC GAMES

QUALIFICATION REGULATIONS

JANUARY 2023



15. EQUESTRIAN

MEDAL EVENTS

| Men's | Women's | Mixed/Open | Total |
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| 0 | 0 | 11 | 11 |
| | | Individual Championship Individual - Grade I Individual - Grade II Individual - Grade III Individual - Grade IV Individual - Grade V Team Championship Team - Open Individual Freestyle Championship Individual - Grade I Individual - Grade II Individual - Grade III Individual - Grade IV Individual - Grade V | |

ATHLETE QUOTA

| Male | Female | Gender-free | Total |
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| 0 | 0 | 78 | 78 |

ALLOCATION OF QUALIFICATION SLOTS

The qualification slot is allocated to the NPC, not to the individual Athlete or team. In the case of a Bipartite Commission Invitation 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 four (4) qualification slots.

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

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

- Be internationally classified with a 'Confirmed' sport class status or a 'Review' sport class status with a review date after 31 December 2024.

To be eligible for selection by an NPC, Athlete/Horse combinations must:

- Have achieved at least one (1) sixty-four (64) percent score at a FEI Para Equestrian 3* or above event in an Individual or Team competition between 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2022 or have achieved at least one (1) sixty-four (64) percent score at a FEI Para Equestrian 3* or above event in a Grand Prix Test A or Grand Prix Test B from 1 January 2023 to 19 June 2024.

MAXIMUM ENTRY PER NPC

An NPC can enter a maximum of four (4) eligible Athletes in individual medal events. An NPC can enter one eligible team in the Team medal event.

For the Team medal event, three (3) Athletes, who also must be entered in their respective individual medal events, may compete for each NPC. At least one (1) team member shall be an eligible Athlete in either sport class Grade I or sport class Grade II or sport class Grade III. In order to form a team, an NPC can enter a maximum of two (2) eligible Athletes per sport class.

If an NPC obtains three (3) or more Individual qualification slots (by means of Regional Distribution of Individuals and/or Bipartite Commission Invitations), then all slots may be used for Athletes competing only in Individual medal events if the selected Athletes do not fulfil the criteria to form a team. If an NPC enters three (3) or more Athletes who meet the criteria required to form a team, then that NPC must compete in the Team medal event.

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Qualification slots will be allocated in the following order:

| Team Qualification | | |
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| METHOD | QUALIFICATION | TOTAL |
| Host Country Allocation | <p>The host country directly qualifies four (4) Athletes.</p> <p>If the host country is unable to field a team by the allocation deadline of 4 March 2024, it may be allocated a maximum of two (2) slots for eligible Individual Athletes. In this case, remaining slots will be allocated to the next highest ranked NPC (not otherwise qualified) on the FEI Paralympic Individual Ranking List.</p> | 4 athletes |
| 2022 FEI World Championships | The top seven (7) ranked teams (not including the host country) at the 2022 FEI World Championships will each obtain four (4) qualification slots for their NPC. | 28 athletes |
| 2023 FEI European Championships | The top ranked team (not otherwise qualified) at the 2023 FEI European Championships will obtain four (4) qualification slots for their NPC. | 4 athletes |
| FEI Para Equestrian Regional Team Ranking Allocation | <p>The highest ranked team (not otherwise qualified) on the FEI Paralympic Team Ranking List* from each of the following regions will obtain four (4) qualification slots for their NPC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Africa • Americas • Asia • Oceania <p>Should a region not have an eligible team, the relevant slots will be allocated, regardless of region, to the next highest ranked NPC (not otherwise qualified) on the FEI Paralympic Team Ranking List.</p> | 16 athletes |

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| FEI Para Equestrian Team Ranking List Allocation | <p>The two (2) highest ranked teams on the FEI Paralympic Team Ranking List* (not otherwise qualified) will each obtain four qualification slots for their NPC.</p> <p>*The FEI Paralympic Team Ranking List, covering the period of 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, is a Team Ranking based on each team's best team results from two (2) qualifying events added together.</p> | 8 athletes |
| Individual Qualification | | |
| METHOD | QUALIFICATION | TOTAL |
| Para Equestrian Individual Ranking List Allocation - Regional Distribution | <p>Only NPCs that have not earned qualification slots through any of the above allocation methods are eligible to receive qualification slots through the FEI Paralympic Individual Ranking List** Allocation method.</p> <p>**The FEI Paralympic Individual Ranking List, covering the period of 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, is an Individual Ranking based on each Athlete's accumulated ranking points of a maximum of six (6) best results obtained in FEI Para Equestrian qualifying competitions.</p> <p>The three (3) highest ranked Athletes from each of the following regions each obtain one (1) qualification slot for their NPC, irrespective of Grade, and up to two (2) slots per NPC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Africa • Americas • Asia • Europe • Oceania <p>Should a region not have eligible Athletes, the relevant slots will be allocated to the next highest ranked NPC on the FEI Paralympic Individual Ranking List regardless of region.</p> | 15 athletes |

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| Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation | Three (3) eligible Athletes will be considered by the FEI and IPC for Bipartite Commission Invitation slots. To be considered for a Bipartite Commission Invitation the FEI must receive an official application in writing from the relevant NPC by 18 March 2024. In case not all Bipartite slots are allocated, the remaining slots will be allocated to the next highest ranked NPC on the FEI Paralympic Individual Ranking List. | 3 athletes |
| Total | | 78 athletes |

TIMELINE

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| 1 January 2022 | Start of the period for Athlete/horse combinations to attain a minimum eligibility score |
| 6-14 August 2022 | FEI Para Dressage World Championships, Herning, Denmark |
| 15 December 2022 | FEI to publish the list of Qualifying Events counting for FEI Paralympic Ranking Lists in 2023 |
| 1 January 2023 | Start of the period for Athletes to attain performances to be recorded on the FEI Paralympic Team and Individual Ranking Lists |
| 4-10 September 2023 | FEI Para Dressage European Championships, Riesenbeck, Germany |
| 31 December 2023 | End of the period for Athletes to attain performances to be recorded on the FEI Paralympic Team and Individual Ranking Lists |
| 19 February 2024 | Start of Bipartite Commission Invitation application process |
| 4 March 2024 | FEI notifies the NPCs in writing about the number of allocated qualification slots |
| 18 March 2024 | NPCs confirm in writing the use of allocated qualification slots |
| 18 March 2024 | Deadline for NPCs to submit Bipartite Commission Invitation applications to FEI |

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| 25 March 2024 | FEI confirms in writing the reallocation of unused qualification slots and the awarding of Bipartite Commission Invitations |
| Tbd, 2024 | Deadline for Paris 2024 Organising Committee to receive accreditation application forms submitted by NPCs ("Accreditation Long List") |
| 19 June 2024 | End of the period for Athlete/horse combinations to attain a minimum eligibility score |
| 5 August 2024 | Deadline for Paris 2024 Organising Committee to receive sport entry forms submitted by NPCs |

CONFIRMATION PROCESS OF ALLOCATED SLOTS

By 18 March 2024 each qualified NPC must confirm to FEI in writing (fax and email are accepted) the number of qualification slots they will use. NPCs that have not replied by this date will have lost their qualification slots, and FEI may reallocate these slots.

By 25 March 2024 FEI will confirm in writing the reallocation of all unused qualification slots.

By 25 March 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 and FEI.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS

After the deadline of 18 March 2024, any qualification slots that are not used by the respective NPC will be reallocated as follows:

Unused Team slots

An NPC can accept three or four Team quota slots. If an NPC does not use all of its allocated Team quota slots (either three or four Athletes), the NPC may then participate with a maximum of two (2) Athletes exclusively in Individual competition. The unused slot(s) will go to the next highest ranked NPC on the FEI Paralympic Individual Ranking List, not otherwise qualified via any Team Qualification method, maximum two (2) per NPC.

Unused Individual slots

Should an NPC not use all of its allocated quota slots for Individual Athletes, the slot(s) will be reallocated to the next highest ranked NPC on the FEI Paralympic Individual Ranking List not otherwise qualified, maximum two (2) per NPC.

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