



2024 PARALYMPIC GAMES
29th August – 7th September 2024, Paris, FRANCE

PARA SWIMMING NOMINATION POLICY

1 POLICY PURPOSE

- 1.1 This nomination policy outlines the process for nominating the para-swimming team to represent ParalympicsGB at the 2024 Paralympic Games in Paris, France.

2 PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The performance objective is to maximise medal return for the para-swimming team at the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games.

3 NOMINATION OVERVIEW

- 3.1 All nominations will be made by a Nomination Panel (the 'Panel') comprising three (3) members. The Panel members are: the British Swimming Associate Performance Director (APD), Head Coach Para Swimming, and the Performance Pathway Lead Para Swimming, with a record of the nomination meeting taken by a note taker. An independent observer will also attend the nomination meeting to ensure due process, but with no voting rights. A representative of ParalympicsGB will also be present solely to observe and expediate the ratification process of nominations.
- 3.2 Nominations will be made from performances at the British Swimming Championships, London Aquatics Centre, London, 2nd – 7th April 2024 (the 'Trials') subject to section 5 below.
- 3.3 In the event that the Trials are cancelled, a revised Nomination Policy will be published as soon as reasonably practicable.
- 3.4 For the purposes of this policy, all nominations will be made to ParalympicsGB based on the classification of each athlete at the commencement of the Trials, on 2nd April 2024, subject to clauses 6.7 and G4.

4 ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 Only athletes who are a British citizen, have a valid British passport (valid for six months after the Games) and are eligible to represent Great Britain as per World Para Swimming ("WPS") and the International Paralympic Committee ("IPC") rules will be considered. The BPA, in consultation with WPS and the IPC, will decide on any question of eligibility (having regard to all eligibility criteria including as set by the BPA, British Swimming, WPC and the IPC) and their decision shall be final.
- 4.2 Athletes must meet all requirements set out in clauses G2 – G5 in the General Conditions of this policy.

5 TEAM SIZE

- 5.1 The maximum team size is set by WPS as the total number of male and female athlete quota places allocated to ParalympicsGB and is confirmed as 32, with 20 places allocated to female athletes and 12 places allocated to male athletes. These gender specific quota allocations are not interchangeable. There is no obligation on the Panel to utilise all places available up to this maximum team size. The total team size will be determined by the APD at his complete discretion, but cannot exceed the maximum team size.
- 5.2 WPS makes provision that each National Paralympic Committee may enter a maximum of three (3) competitors per event for each individual event and one (1) team in relay events.
- 5.3 All athletes must achieve a Minimum Qualification Standard (MQS) set by WPS.
- 5.4 Athletes based overseas (outside of the United Kingdom) should take specific note of the General Conditions of this policy, with specific reference to clauses G3, G8 and G9.

6 NOMINATION PROCESS

- 6.1 Athletes will be nominated via the following stages, in priority order:
- (1) Medal potential for Paris 2024 Paralympic Games.
 - (2) Discretionary nominations.
 - (3) Additional relay nominations.
 - (4) Medal potential for Los Angeles 2028 Paralympic Games.

Medal potential for Paris 2024 Paralympic Games

- 6.2 Up to 22 athletes equaling or bettering the published BPS Qualifying Times (QT) set out in Table 1 at the Trials will be considered first for nomination by the Panel, subject to clause 5.1. Where the number of athletes achieving the QT exceeds 22 places, athletes will be ranked by percentage inside the QT.

Discretionary nominations

- 6.3 Up to 10 additional athletes may be nominated by the Panel, subject to clauses 2.1, 4.1, 4.2, 5.1 at the conclusion of the Trials.

Additional relay nominations

- 6.4 Where available places remain, and subject to clauses 5.1 and 5.3, the Panel will then consider athlete nominations to support ParalympicsGB's representation within relay events. Nominations for relay events will be made by the Panel and may include performances from any WPS-licensed competition since 1st September 2023.

Medal potential for LA 2028 Paralympic Games

- 6.5 Any remaining places, subject to clause 5.1 and 5.3, may be utilised by the Panel to nominate athletes who are deemed to have medal potential for the Los Angeles 2028 Paralympic Games.

Classification

- 6.6 In the event that a swimmer's classification changes between the point of nomination and Paris 2024 Paralympic Games, the Panel will automatically review their nomination and then reserves the right to retain or deselect the athlete depending the achievement of the MQS and sufficient places being available in events in their new class, subject to clauses 5.1 and G2.

7 EVENT ENTRIES

- 7.1 This policy nominates athletes to the 2024 Paralympic Games. The Head Coach Para Swimming in consultation with the Associate Performance Director has the responsibility to then determine all final event entries.
- 7.2 All nominated team members will be eligible for selection for relay teams.

8 ANNOUNCEMENT

- 8.1 The 2024 Paralympic Games Team will be formally announced by the British Paralympic Association on or before 19th April 2024.

Table 1 – BPS Qualifying Times (QT)

Gender	Distance	Stroke	Class	QT Time
Male	50m	Freestyle	S3	00:45.69
Male	50m	Freestyle	S4	00:38.78
Male	50m	Freestyle	S5	00:32.05
Male	50m	Freestyle	S7	00:28.51
Male	50m	Freestyle	S9	00:26.04
Male	50m	Freestyle	S10	00:24.08
Male	50m	Freestyle	S11	00:27.64
Male	50m	Freestyle	S13	00:24.20
Male	100m	Freestyle	S4	01:24.15
Male	100m	Freestyle	S5	01:11.35
Male	100m	Freestyle	S6	01:05.56
Male	100m	Freestyle	S8	01:00.36
Male	100m	Freestyle	S10	00:53.01
Male	100m	Freestyle	S12	00:54.71
Male	200m	Freestyle	S2	04:17.12
Male	200m	Freestyle	S3	03:45.02
Male	200m	Freestyle	S4	03:02.41
Male	200m	Freestyle	S5	02:33.33
Male	200m	Freestyle	S14	01:56.13
Male	400m	Freestyle	S6	05:12.15
Male	400m	Freestyle	S7	04:45.79
Male	400m	Freestyle	S8	04:36.19
Male	400m	Freestyle	S9	04:17.86
Male	400m	Freestyle	S11	04:52.36
Male	400m	Freestyle	S13	04:08.07
Male	50m	Backstroke	S1	01:13.96
Male	50m	Backstroke	S2	00:57.26
Male	50m	Backstroke	S3	00:49.31
Male	50m	Backstroke	S4	00:43.05
Male	50m	Backstroke	S5	00:34.22
Male	100m	Backstroke	S1	02:33.15
Male	100m	Backstroke	S2	02:03.88
Male	100m	Backstroke	S6	01:18.40
Male	100m	Backstroke	S7	01:13.14
Male	100m	Backstroke	S8	01:06.54

Gender	Distance	Stroke	Class	QT Time
Male	100m	Backstroke	S9	01:01.95
Male	100m	Backstroke	S10	01:01.94
Male	100m	Backstroke	S11	01:12.04
Male	100m	Backstroke	S12	01:04.35
Male	100m	Backstroke	S13	01:00.38
Male	100m	Backstroke	S14	01:00.76
Male	50m	Breaststroke	SB2	01:05.33
Male	50m	Breaststroke	SB3	00:49.95
Male	100m	Breaststroke	SB4	01:38.29
Male	100m	Breaststroke	SB5	01:31.72
Male	100m	Breaststroke	SB6	01:22.15
Male	100m	Breaststroke	SB8	01:11.79
Male	100m	Breaststroke	SB9	01:09.88
Male	100m	Breaststroke	SB11	01:17.92
Male	100m	Breaststroke	SB13	01:06.53
Male	100m	Breaststroke	SB14	01:05.59
Male	50m	Butterfly	S5	00:32.05
Male	50m	Butterfly	S6	00:31.74
Male	50m	Butterfly	S7	00:30.05
Male	100m	Butterfly	S8	01:03.88
Male	100m	Butterfly	S9	01:01.57
Male	100m	Butterfly	S10	00:57.61
Male	100m	Butterfly	S11	01:06.78
Male	100m	Butterfly	S12	00:58.70
Male	100m	Butterfly	S13	00:56.35
Male	100m	Butterfly	S14	00:56.74
Male	150m	Individual Medley	SM3	03:08.21
Male	150m	Individual Medley	SM4	02:36.46
Male	200m	Individual Medley	SM6	02:43.96
Male	200m	Individual Medley	SM7	02:34.17
Male	200m	Individual Medley	SM8	02:28.39
Male	200m	Individual Medley	SM9	02:19.90
Male	200m	Individual Medley	SM10	02:15.89
Male	200m	Individual Medley	SM11	02:35.99
Male	200m	Individual Medley	SM13	02:11.41
Male	200m	Individual Medley	SM14	02:12.91

Gender	Distance	Stroke	Class	QT Time
Female	50m	Freestyle	S4	00:40.43
Female	50m	Freestyle	S6	00:33.72
Female	50m	Freestyle	S8	00:31.54
Female	50m	Freestyle	S10	00:28.35
Female	50m	Freestyle	S11	00:31.81
Female	50m	Freestyle	S13	00:27.90
Female	100m	Freestyle	S3	01:43.31
Female	100m	Freestyle	S5	01:21.48
Female	100m	Freestyle	S7	01:11.77
Female	100m	Freestyle	S9	01:03.51
Female	100m	Freestyle	S10	01:01.89
Female	100m	Freestyle	S11	01:10.88
Female	100m	Freestyle	S12	01:01.80
Female	200m	Freestyle	S5	03:05.57
Female	200m	Freestyle	S14	02:10.49
Female	400m	Freestyle	S6	05:23.82
Female	400m	Freestyle	S7	05:21.28
Female	400m	Freestyle	S8	05:13.57
Female	400m	Freestyle	S9	04:49.98
Female	400m	Freestyle	S10	04:42.25
Female	400m	Freestyle	S11	05:31.26
Female	400m	Freestyle	S13	04:38.80
Female	50m	Backstroke	S2	01:11.22
Female	50m	Backstroke	S3	00:58.62
Female	50m	Backstroke	S4	00:51.19
Female	50m	Backstroke	S5	00:42.03
Female	100m	Backstroke	S2	02:33.93
Female	100m	Backstroke	S6	01:23.25
Female	100m	Backstroke	S8	01:19.08
Female	100m	Backstroke	S9	01:11.16
Female	100m	Backstroke	S10	01:10.88
Female	100m	Backstroke	S11	01:20.10
Female	100m	Backstroke	S12	01:13.25
Female	100m	Backstroke	S13	01:07.62
Female	100m	Backstroke	S14	01:08.80
Female	50m	Breaststroke	SB3	00:56.42

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Female	100m	Breaststroke	SB4	01:56.10
Female	100m	Breaststroke	SB5	01:49.01
Female	100m	Breaststroke	SB6	01:36.66
Female	100m	Breaststroke	SB7	01:34.85
Female	100m	Breaststroke	SB8	01:24.16
Female	100m	Breaststroke	SB9	01:17.32
Female	100m	Breaststroke	SB11	01:29.28
Female	100m	Breaststroke	SB12	01:18.63
Female	100m	Breaststroke	SB13	01:19.41
Female	100m	Breaststroke	SB14	01:16.86
Female	50m	Butterfly	S5	00:41.91
Female	50m	Butterfly	S6	00:37.21
Female	50m	Butterfly	S7	00:35.67
Female	100m	Butterfly	S8	01:14.74
Female	100m	Butterfly	S9	01:09.37
Female	100m	Butterfly	S10	01:08.76
Female	100m	Butterfly	S13	01:06.99
Female	100m	Butterfly	S14	01:06.02
Female	150m	Individual Medley	SM4	02:55.78
Female	200m	Individual Medley	SM5	03:33.81
Female	200m	Individual Medley	SM6	03:04.09
Female	200m	Individual Medley	SM7	03:05.00
Female	200m	Individual Medley	SM8	02:51.14
Female	200m	Individual Medley	SM9	02:39.02
Female	200m	Individual Medley	SM10	02:33.77
Female	200m	Individual Medley	SM11	02:53.60
Female	200m	Individual Medley	SM13	02:30.11
Female	200m	Individual Medley	SM14	02:26.48

NOMINATION POLICY GENERAL CONDITIONS

Athlete Eligibility

- G1 Be a British passport holder and eligible to represent Great Britain as per the WPS/IPC Rules.
- G2 Meet the current WPS regulations on eligibility:
- 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 1st October 2022 and 28th July 2024 (inclusive);
 - Have achieved a MQS in accordance with the Athlete Licensing Programme Policies valid for the 2022 – 2024 seasons
 - Have competed in:
 - (i) at least one (1) Para Swimming World Series event between 1st October 2022 and 30th June 2024 (inclusive); and
 - (ii) at least one (1) of the following competitions between 1st October 2022 and 30th June 2024 (inclusive):
 - any World Para Swimming World Championships;
 - any World Para Swimming Regional or Regional Open Championships;
- G3 Hold a WPS license for the 2024 season and be registered to a swimming club that is affiliated to Swim England, Swim Wales or Scottish Swimming.
- G4 At the timing of the commencement of the Trials (2nd April 2024), be internationally classified with a “Confirmed” (C), “Fixed Date Review” (FDR) or “Review” (R) WPS sport classification status after 31st December 2024. If any member of the Great Britain Team that competed at the 2022 or 2023 Para Swimming World Championships cannot be seen for reclassification (due to availability of places) between 1st January 2024 and the start of the Trials, or the outcome of their reclassification during this specified period is not complete (CNC), the Panel will refer to the classification outcome at their last international classification for the purposes of nomination under this policy.
- G5 Have an agreed training plan in place and adhere to their Individual Athlete Planning (IAP) process (WCP athletes) at all times from 1st January 2024 to completion of the Paralympic Games, or Process Goals (non programme athletes) from the point of nomination and the conclusion of the Championships. These shall be agreed between the athlete, the named World Class Programme Lead and the athlete’s home programme coach. A series of physiological tests using physiological data may be used to monitor trainability. Athletes failing to maintain trainability, adherence to IAP or Performance Goals may result in non-nomination or denomination.

Times

- G6 Split times will not be considered.
- G7 Performances from time trials will not be considered with the exception of BPS team relay practices post nomination for final relay team consideration.

Team Commitments

- G8 All selected team members will be required to sign and comply with:
- All WPS requirements, Rules and Regulations
 - British Swimming provisions consisting of the British Swimming Anti-Doping Rules and Protocols, Nomination Agreement and Code of Conduct, the British Swimming Disciplinary Code and Child Safeguarding Policies
 - ParalympicsGB Team Members Agreement
- G9 With the exception of injury or illness team members will be expected to attend (where selected) all pre competition training camps, individual training opportunities, competitions, relay team practices, team events and team meetings designated by the Head Coach Para Swimming. Activities not relevant to the event such as personal appearances, external media engagements or social activities will not be permitted without prior agreement by the Associate Performance Director.
- G10 Team members must comply with British Swimming and World Para-Swimming swimwear rules and regulations.

Withdrawals

- G11 If for any reason a swimmer is unable or unwilling to fully comply with the Team Commitments (G8 to G10) they may be withdrawn from the team.
- G12 Any team member who withdraws themselves from the team, with the exception of a withdrawal on medical grounds or as a result of G14 may be asked to cover their costs associated with the Games e.g. flight and accommodation costs.
- G13 Swimmers becoming unfit due to illness or injury (physical or mental) at any time between nomination and the conclusion of the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games must notify British Para Swimming immediately. In such circumstances the swimmer will be required to undertake a full medical examination by the British Para Swimming Chief Medical Officer (or designate). The British Para Swimming Chief Medical Officer (or designate) will refer his opinion to the Panel for decision also considering if, in their opinion, they pose a risk to themselves, other athletes or team staff. This may result in the team member being de-selected from the team.
- G14 Swimmers will be withdrawn from all additional events entered if any event(s) in which they have been selected for are withdrawn by WPS, unless they meet the criteria for an event in a higher classification as set out in G15 below.

- G15 In the case where an event is withdrawn by WPS and becomes combined with another classification event a maximum of five (5) swimmers may be entered per National Paralympic Committee, however, only three (3) swimmers per classification may be entered. In this case the fastest five (5) swimmers from all eligible classes (maximum 3 per classification) shall be entered subject to each swimmer meeting the relevant policy criteria outlined. In the event that the next placed swimmer(s) has no other eligible event in the competition the swimmer will be de-selected from the team.

Late Replacements

- G16 The World Class Leadership Team will abide by the IPC Late Athlete Replacement Policy for Paris, summarised as follows:
- Up to the point of the Sport Entry deadline (5th August 2024) we can make any changes. Between the Sport Entry Deadline and the Delegation Registration Meeting (DRM) the below will apply:
 - a) For individual sports, an NPC may substitute an athlete between the close of entries and their Delegation Registration Meeting (DRM) only if the substitution is in the same sport, medal event(s) and sport class.
 - b) Substitute athletes must have met all qualification and eligibility criteria for the respective event(s), and must have signed the Eligibility Code Form. The NPC must have submitted an Accreditation Application for the substitute athlete by the long list deadline.
 - c) Substitutions may only be made for athletes who withdraw due to injury, illness, or other special circumstances. All substitutions are subject to review and approval by the IPC.
 - Absolutely no substitutions will be permitted after the DRM.

Other

- G17 The World Class Leadership Team may make reasonable amendments to nomination policies at its discretion.
- G18 The Associate Performance Director and Head Coach Para Swimming will exercise their authority to ensure that the final nominations for the 2024 Paralympic Games are in line with this policy and will result in achieving the policy performance objectives.

Appeals

- G19 Any appeals against non-nomination must be made to British Para Swimming in accordance with the British Swimming Team Nomination Appeals Procedures, available online at <https://www.britishswimming.org/performance/swimming/nomination-policies/team-nomination-appeals/> or by request from Adam Clarke, Associate Director via email at adam.clarke@swimming.org. Athletes should be aware of the time limits contained in the Procedures, which are designed with the intention of resolving issues expeditiously and fairly.