

2024 Paralympic Games: 28th August – 8th September 2024 Paris, France

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OVERVIEW

This selection policy ("the Policy") outlines the process by which UK Athletics ("UKA") will determine its nominations for ParalympicsGB at the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games ("Games").

In all cases, selection by UKA represents a nomination to the British Paralympic Association ("BPA") for their ratification. Ultimately, the final decision regarding selection for the Games rests with the BPA and is conditional on various factors, including athletes signing the ParalympicsGB Paris 2024 Paralympic Games Team Members' Agreement ("TMA")

<u>AIM</u>

The joint aim of **UKA** and **BPA** for the Games is to maximise the number of medals won at the Games and provide a development opportunity for athletes with future Paralympic Games medal potential.

Quota Places Update

Great Britain has **up to** a maximum of 39 quota places available. The gender allocation, as per WPA rules, is 22 places for Women and 17 places for Men

SELECTION MEETING

1. The team will be selected at two selection meetings:

Stage 1: **17 June 2024** Stage 2: **22 July 2024**.

- World Para Athletics ("WPA") will grant BPA a maximum number of Qualification Slots for the Games, as per the <u>Paris 2024 Paralympic Games Qualification Regulations</u>. The Selection Panel appointed by UK Athletics will consider all eligible athletes for nomination but is not obliged to fill every available Qualification Slot.
- 3. In all individual medal events and single class field events, a maximum of three (3) eligible athletes may be entered per medal event.
- 4. For the Universal Relay, a team of up to eight (8) athletes may be selected. In order to be considered for selection, all Universal Relay team athletes must be selected to compete in an individual event. For the avoidance of doubt, only athletes who compete in their individual event may be entered as part of the Universal Relay team as per the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games Qualification Regulations.
- 5. It is open to the Selection Panel to exercise its discretion to nominate any athlete for an unlimited number of medal events, subject to paragraph 19 below and provided the athlete has at least one



Minimum Entry Standard ("MES") performance (as set out in Appendix 2) at a WPA Recognised Competition for each event in which they wish to be considered for selection and meets all other applicable eligibility criteria.

SECTION 1: ELIGIBILITY FOR CONSIDERATION FOR SELECTION

6. To be eligible for consideration for selection, athletes must comply with requirements 1 and 2 below:

Requirement 1 (Eligibility Criteria):	Meet the Eligibility Criteria, as set out in Appendix 1 – Eligibility Criteria.
Requirement 2 (Qualification Standard):	Achieve a Minimum Entry Standard ("MES") for individual medal events as listed in Appendix 2 – Minimum Entry Standards, in the correct period (as set out in paragraph 10 below).
	For Universal Relay consideration, athletes must achieve a Minimum Entry Standard for an individual medal event and be nominated for selection in the relevant individual medal event.

Requirement 1: General Eligibility Criteria

7. To be considered for selection, athletes must satisfy the Eligibility Criteria set out in Appendix 1 – Eligibility Criteria.

Requirement 2: Qualification Standard

- 8. Athletes must achieve at least one (1) MES performance (as set out in Appendix 2) at a WPA Recognised Competition for each event in which they wish to be considered for selection.
- 9. The MES must be achieved between 00:00 (GMT) 1 October 2022 and 00:00 (BST) 21 July 2024.
- 10. MES Performances will only be accepted if they are in accordance with Section 3: Performance Conditions.

Eligible Athletes

11. Athletes who achieve Requirements 1 and 2 will be eligible for consideration for selection ("Eligible Athletes"). Other athletes will not be eligible for consideration for selection.

SECTION 2: SELECTION PROCESS

Selection Rounds

- 12. The Selection Panel will select athletes for nomination in five (5) rounds. Rounds 1, 2, 4 and 5 apply to individual events only.
- 13. In Rounds 1, 2 and 4, the Selection Panel may nominate Eligible Athletes for more than one event provided that the athlete achieves the relevant MES for each event. The Selection Panel shall have sole discretion to consider the impact on medal opportunities of the athlete doubling up, including



impact on their performance in their primary event, when determining whether an athlete shall be nominated for more than one event.

Stage One: 17 June 2024

14. Round 1 - 2023 WPA Championships Gold & Silver Individual Medallists

- a. Subject to the exceptions in paragraph 14.b below, Eligible Athletes who won an individual event gold or silver medal at the Paris 2023 World Championships, in an event listed on the 2024 Paralympic Games Medal events programme will be nominated for the same event in which they won a gold/silver medal, provided they:
 - i. Have demonstrated current form between 1 January 2024 16 June 2024, by producing a performance which gives the Selection Panel confidence the athlete will at least compete at the same standard of performance at the Games; and
 - ii. Have no injuries or illness as at the time of the selection meeting on 17 June 2024, which, in the sole opinion of the Selection Panel, will impact their potential to train and compete at the same standard of performance at the Games.

b. The following exception applies:

- i. In relation to events where, at the time of the selection meeting, the 2024 Paralympic Games MES Rankings (https://www.paralympic.org/athletics/rankings) contain either less than five (5) athletes or where there are less than three (3) countries represented in those Rankings, athletes will NOT be selected in this Round. They will instead be considered in Round 2 or 4, based on their WPA MES ranking.
- c. For the avoidance of doubt, athletes who were individual gold or silver medallists at the 2023 WPA Championships but who do not satisfy the requirements of paragraph 14 above, will remain eligible for nomination in later rounds, provided they meet the relevant criteria for that round.

Athletes selected in Round 1 will be informed by 21 June 2024.

Stage 2 - 22 July 2024

15. Round 2 - Top 3 WPA MES Rankings

- a. Provided there are Qualification Slots remaining, Eligible Athletes ranked in the top three (3) of the 2024 Paralympic Games MES Rankings in their individual, relevant event(s) at 09:00 (BST) on 22 July 2024 will be considered in this round. At the sole discretion of the Selection Panel, athletes who have achieved a performance within the qualification period, published on Power of 10, that would rank them in the top three (3) on MES Rankings may also be considered.
- b. Athletes will only be nominated for individual events in this round if they have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Selection Panel, current form and fitness which suggests they have realistic potential to win a medal at the Games.
- c. Athletes will be considered in order of the <u>2024 Paralympic Games MES Rankings</u> but, for the avoidance of doubt, selections will not necessarily be made based on order of rankings.
- d. Where there are more Eligible Athletes than places remaining per event after Round 1, athletes will be selected for any remaining places based on the Selection Panel's assessment of which athlete(s) it considers has the best chance of achieving a medal at the Games. The Selection



Panel may consider any of the following factors, which are not listed in priority order. Some criteria may be discarded:

- i. 2024 Paralympic Games MES Rankings in accordance with paragraphs 8-10;
- ii. Number of times MES have been achieved between 1 October 2022 and 21 July 2024;
- iii. 2023 WPA World Ranking and 2024 WPA Word Ranking as of 00:00 BST 21 July 2024;
- iv. Current form and fitness:
- v. Performances in non-WPA approved competitions (results published on Power of 10);
- vi. Track record at previous major senior championships (2020 Paralympic Games, 2023 and 2024 WPA Championships only);
- vii. Performance-limiting injury or illness;
- viii. The relative strength of an event/class at previous Paralympic Games and World Championships;
- ix. Athlete head-to-heads; and
- x. Any other factors deemed relevant by the Selection Panel.

16. Round 3 - Universal Relay

- a. In order to support the relay team's potential to win a medal at the Games, additional Eligible Athlete/s may be selected in this round and may, at the discretion of the Selection Panel, be prioritised ahead of individual selections. These athletes must have achieved an MES (as set out in Appendix 2) at a WPA Recognised Competition for an individual event and will also be selected for that event, as per WPA regulations.
- b. Provided Paralympics GB has qualified a team in the Universal Relay, the Selection Panel, in its sole discretion, may choose to enter a team, provided that:
 - i. The Selection Panel believes the athletes can realistically combine to contend for a relay medal at the Games: and
 - ii. Each relay athlete must have been selected in rounds 1 and 2 or:
 - iii. Each relay athlete has achieved at least one MES performance in an individual medal event (as set out in Appendix 2) at a WPA Recognised Competition
- c. Athletes selected in this round who were not selected in rounds 1 or 2 will be selected to compete in their primary individual event where they have met the MES. If the athlete has the MES in more than one event, the following factors will be considered in determining the event the athlete will be selected in:
 - The Games timetable and scheduling of the potential individual events and Universal Relay
 - ii. The potential impact of the individual event on the athlete's performance in the Universal Relay
 - iii. MES rankings
 - iv. Current form
- d. A team of up to eight (8) athletes may be selected for the 4 x 100m Universal Relay.
- e. The team must consist of at least two (2) male and two (2) female athletes.
- f. The following classes are eligible for each leg:
 - i. First leg: T11, T12 or T13;
 - ii. Second leg: T42, T43, T44, T45, T46, T47, T61, T62, T63 or T64;
 - iii. Third leg: T35, T36, T37 or T38; and
 - iv. Fourth leg: T33, T34, T51, T52, T53 or T54.



- g. Athletes will be considered for selection based on the following, not listed in priority order:
 - i. WPA rules regarding classification/discipline combinations;
 - ii. Consideration of current form and fitness;
 - iii. Technical and tactical relay skills;
 - iv. Head-to-heads;
 - v. Previous major competition history;
 - vi. Injury status;
 - vii. Engagement with the UK Athletics relay programme; and
 - viii. Any other factors deemed relevant by the Selection Panel.

17. Round 4 - Medal Potential at the 2024 Paralympic Games

- a. This Round 4 only applies in the event that the maximum number of places for an individual event has not been filled in Rounds 1, 2 and 3, and there are Qualification Slots remaining. The Selection Panel, in its absolute discretion, may choose to nominate Eligible Athletes who it considers to have the potential to win a medal in the Games.
- b. Eligible Athletes ranked in the top 12 of the 2024 Paralympic Games MES Rankings at 09:00 (BST) on 22 July 2024 will be considered for nomination in this round. Athletes will be discussed in the order of the 2024 Paralympic Games MES Rankings but, for the avoidance of doubt, nominations will not necessarily be made based on order of ranking. At the sole discretion of the Panel, athletes who have achieved a performance within the qualification period, published on Power of 10, that would rank them in the top twelve (12) on MES Rankings may also be considered.
- c. Eligible Athletes will only be considered if they have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Selection Panel, in its absolute discretion, current form and fitness which suggest that they have realistic potential to win a medal at the Games.
- d. In making its decision, the Selection Panel may consider the following factors, not listed in priority order:
 - i. 2024 Paralympic Games MES Rankings in accordance with paragraphs 8-10;
 - ii. Number of times MES have been achieved between 1 October 2022 and 21 July 2024;
 - iii. 2023 WPA World Ranking and 2024 WPA Word Ranking as of 00:00 BST 21 July 2024;
 - iv. Current form and fitness;
 - v. Performances in non-WPA approved competitions (results submitted to Powerof10);
 - vi. Record at previous major senior championships (2020 Paralympic Games & 2023 WPA Championships only);
 - vii. Injury status;
 - viii. The relative strength of an event/class at previous Paralympic Games and World Championships:
 - ix. Athlete head-to-heads; and
 - x. Any other factors deemed relevant by the Selection Panel.

18. Round 5 - Future Global Medal Potential

- a. Subject to further Qualification Slots remaining and the maximum number of places for an individual event not being filled in Rounds 1, 2, 3, or 4, the Selection Panel, in its absolute discretion, may choose to nominate Eligible Athletes who demonstrate clear evidence of being highly likely to win a medal in future Paralympic Games, specifically aiming for global medal success during the next 4 years and medalling at the 2028 Paralympic Games.
- b. Eligible Athletes who have not been nominated in Rounds 1 4 and are ranked in the top 20 of the 2024 Paralympic Games WPA Championships MES Rankings at 09:00 (BST) on 22



- July 2024 will be considered for nomination in this Round. Athletes will be discussed in the order of the 2024 Paralympic Games MES Rankings but, for the avoidance of doubt, selections will not necessarily be made based on order of ranking.
- c. Athletes nominated in this round must have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Selection Panel current form and fitness and progression which suggests that they are a developing athlete who is on the pathway towards individual medal success at future Paralympic Games and that the 2024 Paralympic Games will be productive toward their continued progress.
- d. The Selection Panel may consider the following, not listed in priority order. Some criteria may be disregarded:
 - i. 2024 Paralympic Games MES Rankings in accordance with paragraphs 8-10;
 - ii. Number of times MES have been achieved between 1 October 2022 and 21 July 2024;
 - iii. 2023 WPA World Ranking and 2024 WPA Word Ranking as of 00:00 BST 21 July 2024;
 - iv. Performance progression and consistency;
 - v. Current form and fitness;
 - vi. Performances in non-WPA approved competitions (results submitted to Powerof10);
 - vii. Record at previous major senior championships (2020 Paralympic Games,2023 and 2024 WPA Championships);
 - viii. Injury and illness status;
 - ix. The relative strength of an event/class at previous Paralympic Games and World Championships;
 - x. Athlete head-to-heads; and
 - xi. Any other factors deemed relevant by the Selection Panel.

19. Round 6 - Nomination for Additional Events

- a. The Selection Panel may in its sole discretion allow an athlete already selected in an individual event(s) to be selected for additional individual events that they have not satisfied the selection criteria in Rounds 1-5, provided the athlete meets the requirements set out in paragraphs 6-10, for the additional event(s).
- b. The Selection Panel cannot, in making selections in this round, override previous selections or replace another athlete selected in previous rounds.
- c. In making their decision, the Selection Panel will prioritise athletes whose participation in additional events most benefits their primary event(s). The following factors will be considered:
 - i. The impact and risk of the athlete competing in further events further to those they were selected for in Rounds 1 to 5;
 - ii. The timetable and the time required for the athlete to recover adequately between additional events and those they were selected for in Rounds 1 to 5;
 - iii. The impact on the athlete's preparation for and performance in their primary event(s);
 - iv. The athlete's ability to finish in the top 8 in any additional events which they have been selected for in Rounds 1 to 5; and
 - v. The potential of the additional event as a development opportunity for the athlete.
- d. At the discretion of the Selection Panel, if there is any uncertainty regarding a potential adverse performance impact an athlete's performance in their primary event(s), athletes may not be selected for those additional events. The Selection Panel places utmost importance on ensuring the athlete's performance and well-being in their primary event(s) remain uncompromised when making these decisions.

20. Reserves



- a. The Selection Panel may choose to nominate non-travelling reserves for any event, provided any such reserve athletes have achieved at least one MES performance in the event in question in accordance with the performance conditions below.
- b. Non-travelling reserves will be nominated on the basis of the Selection Panel's assessment of any event that it considers may require a reserve or based on the criteria listed at paragraph 15d above, as well as any other factors that may be deemed relevant. This point will also apply for the purposes of selecting a replacement after the de-selection of an athlete in accordance with section 3 below.
- c. The participation of any reserve will be subject to the Late Athlete Replacement (LAR) Policy in accordance with the process and rules published by IPC.
- 21. In relation to selections for places where athletes considered have suffered from illness/injury, the Selection Panel may take their injury/illness into account as a reason <u>not</u> to select the athlete and, although it may do so in its sole discretion, there is no obligation on the Selection Panel to take into account illness/injury as an exemption from the requirement to perform in the case of an athlete whose performances may have suffered due to illness/injury.
- 22. The final team will be announced by 25 July 2024.
- 23. Changes to the Event Programme

The 2024 Paralympic Games Medal Event Programme will be confirmed following close of entries on 5 August 2024. If the structure of any events changes at this stage, for example if classes are combined or events become non-viable, the Selection Panel may:

- reconsider any athletes originally selected in these events. Athletes may be deselected if they are no longer eligible or if the Selection Panel considers (in re-applying the provisions of paragraphs 15 to 20) that they do not meet the selection criteria for the new event.

Or

- consider the selection of an athlete who has met the eligibility criteria pursuant to Section 1, but has not been selected during the rounds and has received a direct invitation from the World Para Athletics Federation to compete where athlete numbers in a specific event identified by the Selection Panel as at risk of becoming non-viable.

SECTION 3: PERFORMANCE CONDITIONS

- 24. MES performances must be achieved in WPA endorsed competitions (see <u>WPA website</u> for a full list of domestic and overseas WPA endorsed events).
 - a. Domestic, non-disabled competitions are <u>not</u> automatically endorsed or recognised by WPA for the purposes of achieving MES performances. Athletes may request WPA endorsement (via UK Athletics) for specific domestic non-disabled competitions in accordance with paragraph 24.b below provided the request satisfies the following:
 - i. The competition is an integrated event i.e., either disability events take place in the same competition as non-disabled events OR a disabled athlete competes in a non-disabled event directly against non-disabled athletes; and
 - ii. The competition for which endorsement is being sought is a UKA Level 2 or higher competition (for further details on UKA competition permits, please check www.britishathletics.org.uk).



- b. Athletes wishing to request WPA endorsement of a domestic, non-disabled, event must send requests to Jan Richards at jrichards@britishathletics.org.uk, at least four (4) weeks prior to the start of the competition. The final decision as to whether such an event is endorsed shall be at the discretion of WPA.
- 25. In order for qualifying performances to be recognised by WPA, athletes must hold a 2023 and/or 2024 WPA License at the commencement of the competition in which the performance was achieved. Athletes without a valid WPA license must submit new requests for a license at least one (1) week prior to the commencement of that competition. All requests must be submitted to Jan Richards at jrichards@britishathletics.org.uk.
- 26. Wind-assisted performances of 2.1m/s or more (or performances achieved at events where wind measurement was not available) will not be accepted.
- 27. Indoor performances for all field events and all track events of 400m or longer will be accepted.
- 28. Hand timed performances in 100m, 200m & 400m will not be accepted.
- 28. Field event performances must be achieved using implements with a "minimum" weight, as outlined per classification (see WPA website for implement weights).
- 29. For the running events of 400m and over, performances achieved on oversized tracks will NOT be accepted.
- 30. 100m, 200m and 400m performances at altitudes of above 950m will not be accepted.
- 31. Performances achieved in mixed events between male and female participants, held completely in a stadium, shall not normally be accepted. Exceptions to this rule may be made for field events or races of 5,000m or longer provided the stipulations outlined in WPA rule 3.2.5 (including notes) are satisfied. For the avoidance of doubt, where any mixed gender race is conducted so as to allow athletes of one gender to be paced/drafted/assisted by athletes of another gender, the results will not be permissible for qualification/selection purposes. Whether or not a mixed gender race has been conducted in such a way will be determined at the absolute discretion of the Selection Panel.
- 32. Multiple performances achieved in the same individual event in a single day will count as follows:
 - a. In track events only the fastest legal result of the day;
 - b. In throwing events only, the best trial of the first competition of the day; and
 - c. In horizontal jumps only the best trial of the first competition of the day, unless every mark achieved by the athlete was wind-assisted (or the wind measurement was not available/recorded) in which case a second competition held under non-wind-assisted conditions will count.

World ranking conditions relating to selection

- 33. For events in which more than one class is eligible (such as F42/61/63 Shot Put), the combined WPA MES Ranking (based on unadjusted times/distances) will always be used for the purposes of the selection process.
- 34. 2024 Paralympic Games MES Rankings will be taken at 09:00 (BST) on 22 July 2024. If the 2024 Paralympic Games MES Rankings are known by the Interim Head of Paralympic Performance to be inaccurate (i.e., missing performances) at this point, UK Athletics will manually input any missing results from the data set obtained from WPA. The data used during the selection process will be made available for any subsequent appeals.



SECTION 4: SELECTION PANEL

- 35. The Selection Panel ("the Selection Panel") for the meeting shall comprise:
 - a. Voting members:
 - i. The UK Athletics Head of Performance:
 - ii. The UK Athletics Interim Head of Paralympic Performance; and
 - iii. The UK Athletics Paralympic Pathway Manager Futures Academy and Confirmation.
 - b. Non-Voting members:
 - i. Chairperson; and
 - ii. BPA Representative.

The Head of Performance may (but is not obliged to) invite any other person to attend the selection meeting including:

- i. Event group representatives;
- ii. Independent Observer;
- iii. UK Athletics Athlete Commission Member or BEAA (if available);
- iv. UK Athletics' Lead Paralympic Medical Officer or another medical representative;
- v. UKA Legal representative;
- vi. Media Manager
- vii. Note-taker(s).
- 36. In the event of an actual or potential conflict relating to any selector, the actual, or potential conflict shall be reported to the Chairperson of the selection meeting who shall determine whether the selector in question should be permitted to take part in relation to any selection decision(s). The Chairperson may appoint an alternative selector if necessary.
- 37. Voting of the Selection Panel shall be by simple majority. The Head of Performance shall have a casting vote, if required. If the Head of Performance is unable to vote due to a conflict, the Interim Head of Paralympic Performance shall have a casting vote.
- 38. The Selection Panel may make any selection subject to the athlete satisfactorily completing a performance requirement or test set by the Selection Panel.

SECTION 5: DE-SELECTION

- 39. The process by which an athlete may be de-selected from the Games depends on the exact timing in relation to the Delegation Registration Meeting ("DRM") i.e. the date on which the ParalympicsGB team is formally entered into the Games. The DRM will be held on or around 15 August 2024.
- 40. At any time prior to the ParalympicsGB Sport Entry Deadline (midnight on 5 August 2024), UKA may withdraw an athlete's nomination should they no-longer be an Eligible Athlete, due to a failure to adhere to this Policy or in the event of any of the following.:
 - a. the athlete ceasing to comply with the eligibility criteria set out in this Selection Policy, or other strategy document communicated by UK Athletics;
 - b. the athlete's classification or classification status changing;



- c. any anti-doping rule violation or provisional suspension;
- d. any serious misconduct or suspension due to misconduct;
- e. any suspension due to intentional misrepresentation;
- f. a breach of any UK Athletics policy including but not limited to the Relay Plan;
- g. UK Athletics reasonably considering that the athlete will be unable to perform at the level required or expected due to any reason including loss of form or failure to recover fully or as expected from injury or illness; or
- h. failure to opt-in to team training or events.
- 41. In the event of de-selection, the Selection Panel will meet again to decide on a replacement athlete. In the event there is not time for the Selection Panel to meet, the decision will be taken by the Head of Performance and Interim Head of Paralympic Performance, with the decision of the Head of Performance being final in the event of disagreement.
- 42. After 5 August 2024 and before 15 August 2024, substitutions may only be made for athletes who withdraw due to injury, illness or other special circumstances and must be in the same medal event and class. All substitutions are subject to review and approval by the IPC.
- 43. No substitutions will be permitted after the 15 August 2024.

SECTION 6: GENERAL PROVISIONS

Appeals

- 44. Athletes may appeal their non-selection, but only after the relevant final selection date and according to the procedure laid out in the "UK Athletics Selection Fast Appeals Procedure" which can be found on the UK Athletics website and which is subject to change. Athletes wishing to seek advice regarding the appeals process (including the validity of any procedure itself) are advised to contact the UK Athletics Athletes' Commission at www.uka.org.uk/governance/uk-athletics-athletes-commission/ or WCP athletes can contact the British Elite Athletes Association via support@britisheliteathletes.org.
- 45. All athletes wishing to be selected pursuant to this Selection Policy agree, as a condition of consideration for selection, that the UK Athletics Selection Fast Appeals Procedure is to be treated as an arbitration procedure under Part 1 of the Arbitration Act 1996 (the "Act") and amounts to a binding arbitration agreement for the purposes of section 6 of the Act. The seat of the Arbitration shall be England and the Procedure shall be governed by English law.
- 46. The Relevant Timeline (as defined in the UK Athletics Selection Fast Appeals Procedure) is:

Action	Date & Time
All Athletes nominated for selection to be contacted	By 3pm Tuesday 23 July
Athlete to request notes from selection meeting	By 5pm Tuesday 23 July
UK Athletics to supply notes	As soon as possible, by 10am,
	Wednesday 24 July
Athlete to submit Notice of Appeal	By 2pm Wednesday 24 July



UK Athletics to submit Chairperson's Statement	By 9am Thursday 25 July
Appeal Panel Hearing	Thursday 25 July
Outcome communication to Athlete & UK Athletics	As soon as possible a.m. Thursday 25 July
Final team announcement	Thursday p.m. 25 July
Entry Deadline	Saturday 3 rd August

If you have not been notified of your selection by the time stated above, you have not been selected. Should you wish to appeal your non-selection, you should carefully note the deadlines set out above. There is no obligation on UK Athletics to notify athletes of their non-selection.

47. In the event that the BPA decides not to endorse a nomination by the Panel, UK Athletics may appeal that decision in accordance with the BPA's Appeals Policy. If the de-selection of an athlete takes place after the DRM, the athlete may appeal this decision in accordance with the BPA's Appeals Policy which can be provided upon request.

Amendment

48. UK Athletics reserves the right to amend this Selection Policy at any time in its sole discretion and will make any amended version publicly available (including the date on which any amendment was made) at www.britishathletics.org.uk

Governing law

49. This Selection Policy shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales.

Jurisdiction

50. Any dispute or claim (other than appeals) arising out of or in connection with this Selection Policy shall be submitted for determination exclusively to arbitration under the auspices of Sports Resolutions (UK) Limited and subject to the procedural control of the English Courts

Contacts

51. For any queries relating to this policy please contact if lint@uka.org.uk.



Appendix 1: Eligibility Criteria

To be considered eligible for selection, athletes **must** (on an ongoing basis):

- a. Be eligible to compete for GB&NI (i.e. full British passport holder);
- b. Meet the BPA's eligibility requirements to compete for ParalympicsGB as detailed in the BPA's Qualification and Eligibility Handbook
- c. Hold an active World Para Athletics License, valid for the 2024 calendar year;
- d. By midnight (BST) 21 July 2024, hold either a World Para Athletics ("WPA Athletics") "Confirmed" or "Fixed Term Review" (with a review date of 1 January 2025 or later), in an eligible class (as listed in the Para Athletics Paris 2024 Medal Event Programme). Any such classification must be underpinned by a Relevant Diagnosis (as defined below) which is to the satisfaction of the UK Athletics Lead Paralympic Medical Officer. For the avoidance of doubt, these requirements apply to all athletes seeking nomination under this Selection Policy, including those with a physical, visual or intellectual impairment.
- e. Be 14 years or older as of 31st December 2024, with the exception of F40 and F41 classifications. Athletes must be at least 18 years of age to hold a Confirmed or Fixed Term Review classification. As such, F40 or F41 athletes who turn 18 after the last IPC Athletics classification evaluation opportunity (http://www.paralympic.org/athletics/classification/evaluation-opportunities) will not be considered eligible for selection.
- f. The UK Athletics Paralympic Pathway Manager or Interim Head of Paralympic Performance must have met any athletes aged 16 years or younger at the point of nomination and confirm in writing that they possess the requisite maturity and independence to be considered eligible for nomination. UK Athletics will provide the appropriate care and support during the holding camp/championships.
- g. Not currently serving a period of ineligibility or a provisional or permanent suspension for a doping violation or for any other reason of misconduct;
- h. Meet the standards and behaviour expected by UK Athletics, as published from time to time, including in the International Athletes Code of Conduct;
- i. Be registered as a member with the relevant Home Country Athletics Federation (HCAF), directly or through a club.
- j. Attend the ParalympicsGB holding camp in Saint Germain en Laye (the "Holding Camp"). Exceptions to this stipulation will only be made at the absolute discretion of the ParalympicsGB Team Leader (the "Team Leader"). Requests detailing the circumstances for exception must be submitted directly to the Team Leader by 31 July 2024;
- k. Sign the ParalympicsGB Team Members' Agreement ("TMA") and abide by its terms and conditions. Any athlete failing to do so prior to the first date of competition will result in their selection being withdrawn; and
- I. Meet the Clean Sport/Clean Games anti-doping education and other requirements for ParalympicsGB as determined by UK Anti-Doping.



Relevant Diagnosis

The Lead Paralympic Medical Officer must be satisfied that a medical diagnosis underpins an athlete's classification (such a diagnosis being a "Relevant Diagnosis") and must be satisfied that the impairment diagnosed causes permanent and verifiable physical, visual or intellectual activity limitation consistent with the athlete's classification. The following provisions shall apply in connection with the Lead Paralympic Medical Officer's assessment of a Relevant Diagnosis:

- a. it shall be the responsibility of the athlete to obtain and provide documentary evidence of a Relevant Diagnosis so as to show to the satisfaction of the Lead Paralympic Medical Officer that the impairment causes permanent and verifiable physical, visual or intellectual activity limitation consistent with the athlete's classification;
- the athlete shall comply with all reasonable requests of the Lead Paralympic Medical Officer for further evidence of the Relevant Diagnosis, and the costs of obtaining such further evidence shall be met by UK Athletics;
- c. all documentary evidence submitted in support of a Relevant Diagnosis must be in English, dated and signed by a registered medical professional who provided the diagnosis; and
- d. <u>the Lead Paralympic Medical Officer's decision in assessing a Relevant Diagnosis shall be</u> final.



Appendix 2: 2024 Paralympic Games Medal Event Programme and Minimum Entry Standards

MES Period: 00:00 (GMT) 1 October 2022 and 23:59 (BST) 21 July 2024.

MENS

Men				
No	Event		Eligible Classes	Minimum Entry Standard
1	100m	T11	T11	11.90
2	100m	T12	T12	11.50
3	100m	T13	T13	11.50
4	100m	T34	T33, T34	17.30
5	100m	T35	T35	15.00
6	100m	T36	T36	13.30
7	100m	T37	T37	12.80
8	100m	T38	T38	12.50
9	100m	T44	T44	12.50
10	100m	T47	T45, T46, T47	11.60
11	100m	T51	T51	28.00
12	100m	T52	T52	20.00
13	100m	T53	T53	16.20
14	100m	T54	T54	14.70
15	100m	T63	T42, T63	15.20
16	100m	T64	T62, T64	11.80
17	200m	T35	T35	30.00
18	200m	T37	T37	25.80
19	200m	T51	T51	51.00
20	200m	T64	T64	25.00
21	400m	T11	T11	57.00
22	400m	T12	T12	54.00
23	400m	T13	T13	54.00
24	400m	T20	T20	51.60
25	400m	T36	T36	01:06.00
26	400m	T37	T37	01:00.00
27	400m	T38	T38	57.50
28	400m	T47	T45, T46, T47	52.50
29	400m	T52	T51, T52	01:25.00
30	400m	T53	T53	55.60
31	400m	T54	T54	49.00
32	400m	T62	T62	01:00.00
33	800m	T34	T33, T34	02:03.00
34	800m	T53	T53	01:51.00
35	800m	T54	T54	01:37.00
36	1500m	T11	T11	04:28.00
37	1500m	T13	T12, T13	04:08.00
38	1500m	T20	T20	04:09.00
39	1500m	T38	T37, T38	04:42.00
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10	1500m	T46	T45, T46	04:20.00
40	1500m	T54	T53, T54	03:05.00
41	5000m	T11	T11	16:55.00
42	5000m	T13	T12, T13	15:57.00
43	5000m	T54	T53, T54	10:45.00
44		T12	T11, T12	
45	Marathon		-	03:00:00
46	Marathon	T54	T52, T53, T54	01:35:00
47	Long Jump	T11	T11	5.30m
48	Long Jump	T12	T12	6.10m
49	Long Jump	T13	T13	5.60m
50	Long Jump	T20	T20	6.20m
51	Long Jump	T36	T36	4.50m
52	Long Jump	T37	T37	5.00m
53	Long Jump	T38	T38	5.00m
54	Long Jump	T47	T45, T46, T47	6.25m
55	Long Jump	T63	T42, T61, T63	4.40m
56	Long Jump	T64	T44, T62, T64	5.70m
57	High Jump	T47	T45, T46, T47	1.50m
58	High Jump	T63	T42, T63	1.55m
59	High Jump	T64	T44, T64	1.50m
60	Club Throw	F32	F31, F32	25.00m
61	Club Throw	F51	F51	20.00m
62	Discus Throw	F11	F11	29.00m
63	Discus Throw	F37	F37	39.00m
64	Discus Throw	F52	F51, F52	10.00m
65	Discus Throw	F56	F54, F55, F56	34.00m
66	Discus Throw	F64	F43, F44, F62, F64	40.00m
67	Javelin Throw	F13	F12, F13	43.00m
68	Javelin Throw	F34	F33, F34	21.00m
69	Javelin Throw	F38	F38	30.00m
70	Javelin Throw	F41	F40, F41	29.00m
71	Javelin Throw	F46	F45, F46	43.00m
72	Javelin Throw	F54	F53, F54	19.70m
73	Javelin Throw	F57	F56, F57	36.00m
74	Javelin Throw	F64	F42, F43, F44, F61, F62, F63, F64	44.00m
75	Shot Put	F11	F11	9.50m
76	Shot Put	F12	F12	11.50m
77	Shot Put	F20	F20	12.00m
78	Shot Put	F32	F32	6.50m
79	Shot Put	F33	F33	6.90m
80	Shot Put	F34	F34	8.30m
81	Shot Put	F35	F35	8.50m
82	Shot Put	F36	F36	9.00m
83	Shot Put	F37	F37	11.00m
84	Shot Put	F40	F40	7.10m
85	Shot Put	F41	F41	8.20m
86	Shot Put	F46	F45, F46	11.50m
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87	Shot Put	F53	F53	6.00m
88	Shot Put	F55	F54, F55	9.50m
89	Shot Put	F57	F56, F57	11.60m
90	Shot Put	F63	F42, F61, F63	11.20m

WOMENS

Women				
No	Event		Eligible Classes	Minimum Entry Standard
1	100m	T11	T11	14.50
2	100m	T12	T12	14.30
3	100m	T13	T13	14.70
4	100m	T34	T33, T34	24.50
5	100m	T35	T35	19.50
6	100m	T36	T36	17.30
7	100m	T37	T37	15.10
8	100m	T38	T38	15.20
9	100m	T47	T45, T46, T47	13.40
10	100m	T53	T53	20.00
11	100m	T54	T54	18.25
12	100m	T63	T42, T63	19.60
13	100m	T64	T44, T62, T64	15.10
14	200m	T11	T11	30.70
15	200m	T12	T12	29.70
16	200m	T35	T35	42.00
17	200m	T36	T36	37.00
18	200m	T37	T37	32.80
19	200m	T47	T45, T46, T47	28.30
20	200m	T64	T44, T64	33.00
21	400m	T11	T11	01:12.00
22	400m	T12	T12	01:08.00
23	400m	T13	T13	01:09.00
24	400m	T20	T20	01:05.50
25	400m	T37	T37	01:20.00
26	400m	T38	T38	01:17.00
27	400m	T47	T45, T46, T47	01:10.00
28	400m	T53	T53	01:10.00
29	400m	T54	T54	01:01.00
30	800m	T34	T33, T34	02:50.00
31	800m	T53	T53	02:22.00
32	800m	T54	T54	02:05.00
33	1500m	T11	T11	06:20.00
34	1500m	T13	T12, T13	05:31.00
35	1500m	T20	T20	05:15.00
36	1500m	T54	T53, T54	03:47.00
37	5000m	T54	T53, T54	13:30.00



38	Marathon	T12	T11, T12	03:35:00
39	Marathon	T54	T52, T53, T54	01:58:00
40	Long Jump	T11	T11	3.40m
41	Long Jump	T12	T12	3.70m
42	Long Jump	T20	T20	4.50m
43	Long Jump	T37	T37	3.70m
44	Long Jump	T38	T38	3.80m
45	Long Jump	T47	T45, T46, T47	4.50m
46	Long Jump	T63	T42, T61, T63	3.30m
47	Long Jump	T64	T44, T62, T64	3.80m
48	Club Throw	F32	F31, F32	14.00m
49	Discus Throw	F11	F11	18.00m
50	Discus Throw	F38	F37, F38	23.00m
51	Discus Throw	F41	F40, F41	19.00m
52	Discus Throw	F53	F51, F52, F53	6.00m
53	Discus Throw	F55	F54, F55	15.50m
54	Discus Throw	F57	F56, F57	20.00m
55	Discus Throw	F64	F43, F44, F62, F64	20.00m
56	Javelin Throw	F13	F12, F13	19.00m
57	Javelin Throw	F34	F33, F34	12.50m
58	Javelin Throw	F46	F45, F46	23.00m
59	Javelin Throw	F54	F53, F54	9.00m
60	Javelin Throw	F56	F55, F56	13.50m
61	Shot Put	F12	F11, F12	9.00m
62	Shot Put	F20	F20	10.50m
63	Shot Put	F32	F32	3.50m
64	Shot Put	F33	F33	4.00m
65	Shot Put	F34	F34	5.70m
66	Shot Put	F35	F35	6.00m
67	Shot Put	F37	F37	8.00m
68	Shot Put	F40	F40	4.60m
69	Shot Put	F41	F41	6.00m
70	Shot Put	F46	F45, F46	7.50m
71	Shot Put	F54	F54	4.60m
72	Shot Put	F57	F56, F57	7.50m
73	Shot Put	F64	F42, F43, F44, F62, F63, F64	7.00m

MIXED

Mixed		
Event	Eligible Classes	Minimum Entry Standard
Universal 4x100m Relay	T11-13	N/A
·	T42-47 / T61-64	
	T35-38	
	T33-34/T51-54	



*For the Universal relay, no Entry Standard is required for the team, however individual athletes must have achieved a MES as per Section 1 of this selection policy and be selected to compete at the Games in the relevant event. NPCs may enter a team into a relay event as long as their team meets the relay team composition requirements.

APPENDIX 3 - 2023 WPA World Championships Gold and Silver Medallists

Kare Adenegan
Hollie Arnold
Olivia Breen
Jonathan Broom-Edwards
Hannah Cockroft
Aled Davies
Sabrina Fortune
Sammi Kinghorn
Daniel Pembroke
Ben Sandilands

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Number of Quota Places allocated in Round 1

A total of 10 quota places were allocated in Round 1 Women – 6 places allocated Men – 4 places allocated 29 places remaining following nominations in Round 1

