

WHEELCHAIR FENCING



LONDON 2012 PARALYMPIC GAMES

EVENTS (12)	MEN (7)	WOMEN (5)
	Epee - Category A Epee - Category B	Epee - Category A Epee - Category B
	Foil - Category A Foil - Category B	Foil - Category A Foil - Category B
	Sabre - Category A Sabre - Category B	Team Women - Category Open
	Team Men - Category Open	

ATHLETE QUOTA	Male	between 60 and 76
	Female	between 24 and 40
	Total	100

ALLOCATION OF QUALIFICATION	<p>The qualification slot is allocated to the individual athlete, not to the NPC.</p> <p>In the case of the Host Country Allocation method, the qualification is allocated to the NPC not to the individual athlete.</p>
MAXIMUM QUOTA ALLOCATION PER NPC	<p>An NPC can qualify no more than six (6) male athletes and four (4) female athletes qualification slots per sport class for a maximum quota allocation of ten (10) qualification slots per NPC. The maximum qualification slots to be allocated per sport class are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • thirty (30) qualification slots for male athletes in Category A • thirty (30) qualification slots for male athletes in Category B • twelve (12) qualification slots for female athletes in Category A • twelve (12) qualification slots for female athletes in Category B • eight (8) qualification slots for Team men Category Open • eight (8) qualification slots for Team women Category Open



ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for selection, an athlete must;

- Have competed in at least one official IWAS International Wheelchair Fencing competition between 1 November 2010 and 29 February 2012;
- And be internationally classified with a 'Confirmed' sport class status.

MAXIMUM ENTRY PER NPC

An NPC may enter a maximum of two (2) qualified athletes per individual event. The maximum entry per event is as follows:

Event	Male	Female
Epee - Category A	20	12
Foil - Category A	20	12
Sabre - Category A	20	
Epee - Category B	18	12
Foil - Category B	18	12
Sabre - Category B	18	
Team Event - Category Open	8	8

Each eligible athlete must compete in the event he/she qualified in. Each athlete enters a maximum of two (2) events in total of which both will be ring-fenced by IWAS according to the athlete's rank on the IWAS Wheelchair Fencing World Ranking List closing 29 February 2012.

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM PRINCIPLES

METHOD	QUALIFICATION	TOTAL
2010 IWAS WHEELCHAIR FENCING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS ALLOCATION	The top ranked male athlete in each event qualifies.	6 male athletes
2011 IWAS WHEELCHAIR FENCING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS ALLOCATION	The top ranked female athlete in each event qualifies.	4 female athletes
2010/2011 IWAS WHEELCHAIR FENCING REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS ALLOCATION	<p>The top ranked male athlete in each event from the following 2010 or 2011 IWAS Wheelchair Fencing Regional Championships, not otherwise qualified, qualifies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Americas • Asia • Europe <p>The top ranked female athlete in each event from the following 2010 or 2011 IWAS Wheelchair Fencing Regional Championships, not otherwise qualified, qualifies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Americas • Asia • Europe <p>In the case that the 2010 or 2011 IWAS Wheelchair Fencing Regional Championships is not conducted or an event is not held at the 2010 or 2011 IWAS Wheelchair Fencing Regional Championships, the qualification slots allocated to the respective competition or specific event will be reallocated through the IWAS Wheelchair Fencing World Ranking List allocation method.</p>	<p>6 male athletes</p> <p>4 female athletes</p> <p>18 male athletes</p> <p>12 female athletes</p>



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IWAS WHEELCHAIR FENCING WORLD RANKING LIST ALLOCATION	The top ranked athletes in each event, not otherwise qualified, up to the established quota for the individual event, on the IWAS Wheelchair Fencing World Ranking List closing 29 February 2012, qualify:	28 male athletes 2 female athletes										
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HOST COUNTRY ALLOCATION	The Host Country directly receives two (2) qualification slots, one (1) qualification slot for a male athlete and one (1) for a female athlete if they have not qualified any athlete with the methods outlined above. Unused Host Country slots will be reallocated via the IWAS Wheelchair Fencing World Ranking List.	1 male athlete 1 female athlete										
BIPARTITE COMMISSION INVITATION ALLOCATION	Two (2) eligible athletes will be considered by the IPC and IWAS for Bipartite Commission Invitation qualification slots. To be considered for a Bipartite Commission Invitation, IWAS must receive an official application in writing from the relevant NPC.	1 male athlete 1 female athlete										
TOTAL	Male Female	60 24										

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM PRINCIPLES FOR TEAM EVENT

METHOD	QUALIFICATION	TOTAL
2010 IWAS WHEELCHAIR FENCING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS ALLOCATION	The top ranked male team in event proposal.	1 male Team
	The top ranked female team in event proposal.	1 female Team
	To be eligible for a team to qualify directly, the team should have a minimum of two (2) athletes who have qualified in the individual competition in the same weapon proposal.	

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2011 IWAS WHEELCHAIR FENCING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS ALLOCATION	The top ranked male team in event proposal not otherwise qualified.	1 male Team						
	The top ranked female team in event proposal not otherwise qualified. To be eligible for a team to qualify directly, the team should have a minimum of two (2) athletes who have qualified in the individual competition in the same weapon proposal.	1 female Team						
IWAS WHEELCHAIR FENCING WORLD RANKING TEAM LIST ALLOCATION	The top ranked team in the event proposal, not otherwise qualified, up to the established quota for the team events, on the IWAS Wheelchair Fencing World Ranking List closing 29 February 2012, qualify:	5 male teams						
		5 female teams						
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BIPARTITE COMMISSION INVITATION ALLOCATION	A maximum of sixteen (16) eligible athletes will be considered by the IPC and IWAS for Bipartite Commission Invitation qualification slots in order to complete the teams that did not receive direct qualification.							



METHOD	QUALIFICATION	TOTAL
BIPARTITE COMMISSION INVITATION ALLOCATION (continued)	<p>To be considered for a Bipartite Commission Invitation, IWAS must receive an official application in writing from the relevant NPC.</p> <p>To be eligible for a team to qualify directly, the team should have a minimum of two (2) athletes who have qualified in the individual competition in the same weapon proposal.</p>	
TOTAL	Male and Female	16

QUALIFYING TIMELINE

1 November 2010	Start of the period for athletes to attain performances to be recorded on the IWAS Wheelchair Fencing World Ranking Lists
13 November 2010	IWAS Wheelchair Fencing World Championships Paris, France
2010 -2011	<p>IWAS Wheelchair Fencing Regionals Championships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Americas – 6 – 12 August 2011, tbd • Asia – Guangzhou 2010 Asian Para Games 12 – 19 December 2010, Guangzhou, China • Europe – 16- 23 July 2011, Sheffield, U.K.
29 February 2012	End of the period for athletes to attain performances to be recorded on the IWAS Wheelchair Fencing World Ranking Lists
12 March 2012	IWAS Wheelchair Fencing confirms to the NPCs in writing the number of allocated qualification slots
26 March 2012	<p>NPCs confirm to IWAS Wheelchair Fencing in writing the use of qualification slots</p> <p>IWAS Wheelchair Fencing confirms to the NPCs in writing the Bipartite Commission Invitation qualification slots</p>
9 April 2012	IWAS Wheelchair Fencing confirms in writing the reallocation of unused qualification slots



NPCs confirm in writing to IWAS Wheelchair Fencing the use of Bipartite Commission Invitation qualification slots

20 April 2012 Deadline for London 2012 Organizing Committee to receive accreditation application forms submitted by NPCs

25 June 2012 Deadline for London 2012 Organizing Committee to receive entry forms submitted by NPCs

DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION SLOTS

By 26 March 2012, each NPC must confirm in writing (fax and e-mails are accepted) to IWAS Wheelchair Fencing the number of qualification slots they will use. NPCs that have not replied by this date will have lost their qualification slots, and the IWAS Wheelchair Fencing may reallocate these slots.

By 26 March 2012, , relevant NPCs must confirm in writing (fax and e-mails are accepted) to IWAS Wheelchair Fencing use of the qualification slots allocated through the Bipartite Commission Invitation method they will use. NPCs that have not replied by this date will have lost their qualification slots, and IWAS Wheelchair Fencing may reallocate these slots.

By 9 April 2012, IWAS Wheelchair Fencing will confirm in writing the reallocation of all unused qualification slots.

By 9 April 2012, it is officially declared that the respective NPCs will use the allocated quota granted for the London 2012 Paralympic Games. Any NPC that does not use some or all of the qualification slots allocated may be subject to sanctions by the IPC.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS

Any qualification slots not used by the NPC will be reallocated using the IWAS Wheelchair Fencing World Ranking List closing 29 February 2012.

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