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To: NPCs participating in London 2019
World Para Swimming Championships

Participation Criteria and Deadlines for the London 2019 World Para Swimming Championships (50m)

Dear NPC President / Secretary General,

World Para Swimming is pleased to invite you to the 2019 World Para Swimming Championships to be held in London, United Kingdom on 09 September – 15 September 2019.

With the information below, World Para Swimming is providing details related to the list of events, participation criteria and deadlines for the 2019 World Para Swimming Championships (50m).

Championship Dates

5-6 September 2019 -Team Arrival dates

6-8 September 2019 - Classification dates (all athletes undergoing classification must be available for classification on the morning of 6 September- travel plans should be made accordingly)

6-8 September 2019 – Training dates

9 -15 September 2019 - Championships dates

16 September 2019 - Team Departure date

Swimmers Eligibility

To be eligible for selection by an NPC for the 2019 World Para Swimming Championships (50m) swimmers must:

- hold an active World Para Swimming license for the 2019 Season
- have achieved a Minimum Qualification Standard (MQS) at a World Para Swimming Recognised 50m Competition for an event on the programme between 01 January 2018 and 21 July 2019 (times are only recognised if the athlete was already licensed at the time)



of the achievement or has a recognised split time World/Regional record in the same length & stroke, that is included in the rankings)

- be classified with a “Review” (R) or “Confirmed” (C) sport class status
- one relay specific athlete (without MQS) can be added to the NPC Team (no participation in other events is allowed in this case) – please contact the World Para Swimming office for such addition by 1 July. There can be a different relay-specific athlete entered for the different relays on the final programme.

Note: The MQS was set based on the average of 15th -17th place of the official World ranking list 1 January 2017- 1 July 2018. The Minimum Entry Time (MET) was set based on the average of 19th -22nd place of the official World ranking list. If there were not enough athletes on the rankings to meet the above criteria, the average time of the last two on the rankings was used as an MQS and MET. For MQS and MET please see the list at the end of this document.

For relay events there are no MQS times, teams can be entered even without previous achievement (they will be seeded with ‘no time’). NPCs that have a time for their relay team from the qualification period can enter this result in the final entries.

Qualification and Entry Timeline

01 January 2018	Start of the period for swimmers to achieve MQS performances
15 April 2019	Open of Online Preliminary NPC Delegation Calculation
03 May 2019	Deadline to submit Preliminary NPC Delegation Calculation Accurate numbers are appreciated so that Preliminary Event Programme can be published at the earliest.
1 May 2019	Start date to apply for Wild Card(s)
1 June 2019	Open of online NPC delegation Accreditation System
1 July 2019	Deadline to apply for Wild Card(s) and Relay only athletes
15 July 2019	Open of Online Entry System for Entry by Number per Event
21 July 2019	End of the period for swimmers to achieve MQS performances
22 July 2019	Deadline for Entry by Number per Event (NPCs will be invoiced based on the number provided in this entry, no withdrawal is possible after this entry deadline, with the exceptions below). The accurate Entry by Number data is very important so that accurate planning for Championships services and programme can be made; therefore please enter accurate numbers (= qualified athletes) both for women and men events.
22 July 2019	Opening of Online Entry System for Entry by Name per Event (final entry).

29 July 2019	Deadline for Online Entry by Name per Event (final entry deadline). No changes in the entries will be accepted after this date.
	Deadline for Competition Fee Payment
5 August 2019	Deadline to accredit NPC delegations via online Accreditation System and to enter Arrival and departure information

Entry Forms

The Online Entry forms are through the **IPC Online Entry System (EBS)**: <https://db.ipc-services.org/sdms/app/login>. Once in SDMS navigate to the “IPC Online Entries System”. Please refer to online manual.

Wild Card Entry

NPCs without or with only 1 qualified athlete can apply for a Wild Card. For Wild Card entry opportunity please contact the World Para Swimming office by 1 July 2019. The Wild Card slot is allocated to the individual athlete(s), not to the respective NPC.

- A maximum of one (1) male slot and one (1) female slot may be granted if an NPC has not obtained any qualification slot otherwise.
- NPCs who have obtained only one (1) qualification slot may be given one (1) or two (2) extra slots as per:

Qualified swimmer	Wild Card slot
1 female	1 female and/or 1 male slot
1 male	1 or 2 female slot(s)

For Wild Card entries, at discretion of World Para Swimming, the swimmer’s eligibility criteria of being classified with a “Review” (R) or “Confirmed” (C) sport class status may be waived to allow an athlete with a “New” (N) sport class status to compete if it is due to any of the below criteria outlined for Direct invitations.

Direct Invitation

World Para Swimming reserves the right to directly invite athletes under the following criteria:

- To enable the greater representation by nation;
- To ensure events featured on the programme have sufficient representation for viability;
- To enable greater representation by gender;
- To ensure the further representation of athletes with high support needs
- To ensure top athletes that may have not had the opportunity to formally qualify due to extraordinary circumstances.

To be considered for a direct invite slot, an athlete must hold an IPC Athlete License for the 2019 season. At discretion of World Para Swimming the swimmer's eligibility criteria of being classified with a "Review" (R) or "Confirmed" (C) sport class status may be waived to allow an athlete with a "New" (N) sport class status to compete if it is due to any of the above Direct Invitation criteria.

Competition Format

The 2019 World Para Swimming Championships will be conducted by the Single Class competition format. Only events that meet the Event Viability Criteria outlined below after the Entry by Name will be included in the Final Event Programme. Sport classes without a viable event will be able to "swim up" to the nearest single class event included in the Programme. These sport classes will be considered Eligible Classes for the respective single class event, and medals will not be allocated separately for these Eligible Classes.

Event Viability Criteria

Individual events will be considered viable if they have a minimum of six (6) eligible swimmers from three (3) NPCs entered through the Entry by Name. For classes S1-2 and S11 five (5) eligible athletes from two (2) NPCs through Entry by Name is required.

Relay events will be considered viable if they have a minimum of four (4) eligible NPCs entered through the Entry by Name.

At the close of Final Entries, WPS reserves the right to provide direct invitation per event to athletes already entered in Entry by Name for the sole purpose of ensuring events featured on the programme have sufficient representation for viability.

Maximum Entry per NPC

NPCs can enter a maximum of three (3) eligible swimmers per medal event if all have met the MQS/MET. If there is more than one eligible class in the single sport class event, a maximum of five (5) swimmers per event can be entered per each NPC. However, only a maximum of three (3) swimmers per each eligible sport class can be entered if all met the MQS/MET.

NPCs can enter their athletes that have met at least one (1) MQS in an unlimited number of events providing they meet the Minimum Entry Time (MET) for the additional events.

Medals

Medals will be awarded to the first three (3) athletes finishing the event (regardless of the sport class).

In the exceptional case an event is completed by only three (3) or fewer swimmers medals will be awarded following the "minus one rule".

Please note all events that are viable as of the Final Programme (close of Final entries) will remain medal events, independent of any changes of classes following classification or medical withdrawals. If necessary, rule 10.14.1 will apply.



Swimwear

Regulations outlined in the World Para Swimming Rules and Regulations 2018-2021 will apply; swimwear (caps, goggles and swimsuits) must be from the approved list.

Advertising

Regulations outlined in the World Para Swimming Rules and Regulations 2018-2021 will apply. World Para Swimming might identify a sponsor to be put on a certain side of the caps and in this case communicate this to the NPCs latest by 10 June 2019.

Competition Fee

The Competition Fee covers Championships services for 5 September - 16 September 2019 (from official arrival to departure date).

The Competition Fee for the 2019 World Para Swimming Championships is 500 EUR per Team Member.

For any arrangements outside of the above period is to be dealt with directly by the LOC.

Insurance

All Team Members are obliged to have their own travel and medical insurance (including repatriation) for the duration of the Championships. Organizers will provide only basic medical services in the official venues of the Championships.

Financial Regulations

The Competition Fee is to be paid to World Para Swimming by 29 July 2019 in accordance to the invoice that can be downloaded from the online entry system following the Entry by Number submission; however payment as soon as possible after submitting the Entry by Number per Event is encouraged.

Following the deadline of Entry by Number (22 July 2019) there will be no reimbursement for withdrawals of any team members, unless it's of an athlete entered into all non-viable event or due to a recent injury (in this case official medical documents are required).

Championships website

[To be published in the coming months](#)

We hope the above information clarifies the competition regulations to be applied for the London 2019 World Para Swimming Championships and we wish your team good luck!

Should you have any question please contact the office (info@worldparaswimming.org) at the earliest opportunity.

Kind regards,

World Para Swimming

2019 World Para Swimming Championships MQS

Qualification Period

01 January 2018– 21 July 2019

Events	Class	Men		Women	
		MQS	MET	MQS	MET
50m Freestyle	S3	01:06.91	01:13.29	N/A	N/A
	S4	00:47.09	00:51.30	01:01.94	01:27.48
	S5	00:38.36	00:40.80	00:47.27	00:51.41
	S6	00:33.11	00:34.21	00:38.91	00:41.95
	S7	00:30.86	00:31.95	00:38.33	00:38.89
	S8	00:28.78	00:29.02	00:35.09	00:35.70
	S9	00:27.16	00:27.33	00:30.98	00:31.41
	S10	00:26.05	00:26.39	00:29.37	00:29.89
	S11	00:29.18	00:30.48	00:35.95	00:42.53
	S12	00:26.80	00:27.42	00:31.80	00:34.47
	S13	00:25.98	00:26.48	00:29.29	00:29.58
100m Freestyle	S3	N/A	N/A	04:47.35	04:47.35
	S4	01:48.05	01:55.84	03:53.38	04:46.99
	S5	01:26.22	01:31.01	01:45.10	01:56.62
	S6	01:14.70	01:16.83	01:24.76	01:26.73
	S7	01:08.84	01:10.39	01:23.08	01:25.68
	S8	01:02.82	01:03.70	01:15.42	01:16.83
	S9	00:59.48	01:00.03	01:06.95	01:07.99
	S10	00:56.57	00:57.62	01:04.03	01:04.67
	S11	01:07.32	01:09.81	01:21.46	01:32.09
	S12	00:59.87	01:01.45	01:10.65	01:15.35
	S13	00:57.82	00:58.71	01:04.78	01:06.69
200m Freestyle	S2	06:03.07	07:05.13	N/A	N/A
	S3	05:49.40	06:49.38	N/A	N/A
	S4	04:02.29	04:29.53	N/A	N/A
	S5	03:16.80	03:27.44	03:59.82	04:20.72
	S14	02:02.25	02:03.61	02:22.36	02:24.28
400m Freestyle	S6	05:49.48	05:58.13	06:30.03	06:45.54
	S7	05:19.00	05:29.42	06:10.57	06:26.47
	S8	05:02.38	05:08.90	05:35.94	05:55.53
	S9	04:36.56	04:41.34	05:10.86	05:16.43
	S10	04:24.41	04:27.47	04:56.26	05:01.38
	S11	05:36.81	05:47.70	06:45.45	08:01.48
	S13	04:54.11	05:16.81	05:16.92	05:39.25

50m Backstroke	S1	01:41.52	01:41.52	N/A	N/A
	S2	01:20.89	01:30.97	01:44.54	01:44.54
	S3	01:08.81	01:24.15	02:12.50	02:12.50
	S4	00:56.04	01:00.73	01:14.85	01:58.00
	S5	00:45.09	00:48.73	00:55.96	01:00.50
100m Backstroke	S1	03:30.58	03:30.58	N/A	N/A
	S2	03:15.12	03:35.68	03:35.76	03:35.76
	S6	01:29.75	01:34.03	01:45.66	01:48.66
	S7	01:22.34	01:24.03	01:34.81	01:38.84
	S8	01:15.37	01:17.42	01:25.75	01:27.30
	S9	01:07.39	01:08.78	01:18.01	01:19.65
	S10	01:05.31	01:07.33	01:16.94	01:17.83
	S11	01:25.52	01:28.69	01:36.57	01:46.64
	S12	01:13.50	01:17.18	01:28.98	01:34.92
	S13	01:11.23	01:15.53	01:21.51	01:28.02
	S14	01:05.41	01:06.12	01:16.30	01:19.10
50m Breaststroke	SB2	03:18.37	03:18.37	N/A	N/A
	SB3	01:02.50	01:06.90	01:25.34	01:49.25
100m Breaststroke	SB4	02:08.28	02:15.44	02:48.02	04:10.08
	SB5	01:53.24	01:56.18	02:04.74	02:11.29
	SB6	01:32.24	01:39.97	01:54.78	02:00.70
	SB7	01:29.59	01:31.72	01:49.62	01:59.67
	SB8	01:22.79	01:24.22	01:37.51	01:42.44
	SB9	01:15.22	01:17.70	01:27.35	01:28.41
	SB11	01:30.33	01:33.94	01:59.19	02:37.80
	SB12	01:18.73	01:21.43	01:39.06	01:57.53
	SB13	01:17.41	01:19.83	01:30.27	01:39.93
	SB14	01:12.18	01:13.32	01:27.35	01:29.67
50m Butterfly	S5	00:46.52	00:49.54	01:14.99	02:06.05
	S6	00:36.78	00:37.55	00:45.27	00:48.25
	S7	00:35.03	00:36.01	00:45.16	00:47.85
100m Butterfly	S8	01:09.42	01:12.01	01:25.85	01:30.33
	S9	01:05.38	01:05.79	01:15.67	01:17.10
	S10	01:02.25	01:04.29	01:15.83	01:22.63
	S11	01:26.44	01:33.51	N/A	N/A
	S12	01:09.72	01:17.15	N/A	N/A
	S13	01:03.45	01:06.00	01:23.23	01:27.61
	S14	01:01.14	01:02.20	01:13.82	01:15.66

150m Individual Medley	SM3	06:00.60	06:00.60	N/A	N/A
	SM4	03:24.88	03:40.13	05:32.51	05:32.51
200m Individual Medley	SM5	N/A	N/A	06:00.31	07:57.32
	SM6	03:09.56	03:19.35	03:39.75	03:46.80
	SM7	02:59.29	03:04.44	03:41.57	03:59.69
	SM8	02:40.82	02:44.53	03:11.16	03:15.12
	SM9	02:28.79	02:29.62	02:49.73	02:53.58
	SM10	02:26.04	02:28.10	02:40.57	02:45.12
	SM11	03:00.99	03:05.80	03:37.12	03:50.20
	SM13	02:26.34	02:29.06	02:44.91	02:52.45
SM14	02:19.60	02:20.57	02:42.73	02:45.48	
Relays*					
4x100m Freestyle	34 points		\		\
4x100m Medley	34 points		\		\
Mixed 4x100m Freestyle	S14			\	
Mixed 4x100m Freestyle	49 points (VI)			\	
Mixed 4x50m Freestyle	20 points			\	
Mixed 4x50m Medley	20 points			\	

*For relay events there are no MQS times, teams can be entered even without previous achievement (they will be seeded with 'no time'). NPCs that have time for their relay team from the qualification period can enter this result in the final entries.

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These two relay events must meet the minimal eligibility criteria by the end of these World Championships or they will be removed from the Tokyo 2020 medal event programme without replacement events being added to the Tokyo 2020 medal event programme. We trust that NPCs will help to secure the viability of these events on the 2020 Tokyo Paralympic Games Programme by entering the relays should NPCs have athletes that meet the criteria for these World Championships.