



**SELECTION POLICY FOR EQUESTRIAN
RIO 2016 PARALYMPIC GAMES
7 – 18 SEPTEMBER 2016**

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Rio 2016 Paralympic Games will be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from 7 to 18 September 2016. The equestrian competition will be held at Olympic Equestrian Centre.

1.2 Medal events:

Mixed Gender	
<u>Championship Test</u>	<u>Freestyle Test</u>
Individual – Grade 1a	Individual – Grade 1a
Individual – Grade 1b	Individual – Grade 1b
Individual – Grade II	Individual – Grade II
Individual – Grade III	Individual – Grade III
Individual – Grade IV	Individual – Grade IV
Team – Open	

1.3 Allocation of Qualification Slots:

The qualification slot is allocated to the NPC and not to the individual athlete or team.

1.4 Maximum Quota Allocation per NPC

i) An NPC may be allocated a maximum of five (5) qualification slots

2 OBJECTIVE

2.1 This policy details and sets out the process and criteria for selecting athletes to represent Singapore at the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games.

2.2 The final selection of athletes remains at the discretion of Singapore National Paralympic Council (SNPC).

2.3 SNPC will publish the selection policy on SNPC website at (www.snpc.org.sg). Athletes and coaches will be responsible for ensuring that they are fully aware and understand the policy and its content, as well as any changes made to the policy should it occur.

3 ELIGIBILITY

3.1 To be eligible for selection by SNPC for Rio 2016 Paralympic Games, athlete must:

- i) be a Singapore citizen
- ii) be internationally classified with a 'Confirmed' sport class status or a 'Review' sport class status with a review date after 31 December 2016
- iii) be in good standing with SNPC

3.2 To be eligible for selection by SNPC for Rio 2016 Paralympic Games, athlete/horse combinations must:

- i) Have achieved at least one (1) sixty (60) percent score at a FEI Para Equestrian 3* or above event in an Individual or Team competition between 1 January 2014 and 19 June 2016

4 MAXIMUM ENTRY PER NPC

- 4.1 An NPC can enter a maximum of one (1) eligible team in the team event, comprising a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of four (4) eligible athletes entered in individual events.
- 4.2 At least one (1) team member shall be an eligible athlete in either sport class Grade 1a or sport class Grade 1b or sport class Grade II. In order to form a team an NPC can enter a maximum of two (2) eligible athletes per sport class.

5 QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

- 5.1 Qualification slots will be allocated through the following methods:
- i) 2014 FEI World Equestrian Games Allocation
 - ii) FEI Para Equestrian Team Ranking List Allocation
 - iii) Para Equestrian Regional Team Ranking Allocation
 - iv) Para Equestrian Individual Ranking List Allocation
- 5.2 For more details, please refer to the IPC Qualification Guide for the Rio 2016 Paralympics at <https://www.paralympic.org/rio-2016/qualification>

6 SELECTION CRITERIA

- 6.1 Only athletes who met all eligibility conditions in Section 3 will be considered for selection.
- 6.2 Athletes must have a proven performance and track record during the period 1st April 2015 to 30th May 2016 to be considered for selection:
- i) Local competitions sanctioned by SDSC
 - ii) International competitions sanctioned by FEI
- 6.3 SNPC, as the National Paralympic Committee of Singapore, has the sole and final decision in selecting or not selecting athletes to represent Singapore at the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games.

7 APPEAL PROCESS

- 7.1 Appeal against non-selection by SNPC must be made in writing to SNPC within 48 hours of the announcement of the athletes being selected by SNPC for selection for Rio 2016 Paralympic Games.
- 7.2 The grounds for any appeal is that:
- The athlete has met the 2016 Rio Equestrian qualification criteria but non-selection could be due to SNPC's determination that the athlete did not satisfy the selection criteria set out in Section 3 and/or Section 6.
- 7.3 An appeal must be made in writing with supporting documents.
- 7.4 SNPC will, in writing, inform all parties about the decision taken to either uphold or reject the appeal. The decision will be final and no further correspondence will be entertained.



8 DE-SELECTION

8.1 An athlete selected for the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games may be de-selected by SNPC from the team if he/she:

- Due to illness or injury becomes unable to perform to the required standard in the opinion of the responsible National Coaches and Team Manager (after receiving medical advice)
- Demonstrate a lack of commitment to training requirements and/or tournament preparations in the opinion of the responsible National Coaches and Team Manager
- Breaches or fails to fulfill a requirement of the Anti-Doping Policies of SDSC, SNPC, Anti-Doping Singapore or other approved agencies where applicable

9 CONTACT PERSON

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