



**SELECTION POLICY FOR SWIMMING  
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 swimming competition will be held at Olympic Aquatics Stadium.

1.2 Medal events:

Male	Female	Mixed	Total
80	71	1	152

For more details on the medal events and their respective qualification standards (MQS & MET), please refer to the IPC Qualification Guide for the Rio 2016 Paralympics at <https://www.paralympic.org/rio-2016/qualification>

1.3 Allocation of Qualification Slots:

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

1.4 Maximum Quota Allocation per NPC

- i) An NPC can be allocated a maximum of thirty-four (34) male qualification slots and twenty-eight (28) female 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](http://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) have achieved a 2016 Rio Paralympics Minimum Qualification Standard (MQS) performance at an IPC Swimming Recognized / Sanctioned Competition for his/her respective event between 15 October 2014 and 31 January 2016 in accordance with the Athlete Licensing Programme Policies
- iii) internationally classified with a 'Confirmed' sport class status or a 'Review' sport class status with a review date after 31 December 2016
- iv) be in good standing with SNPC



#### **4 MAXIMUM ENTRY PER NPC**

- 4.1 An NPC can enter a maximum of three (3) eligible athletes per Individual medal event.
- 4.2 NPC may enter their athlete who have met at least one (1) MQS in an unlimited number of further medal events as long as they have met the Minimum Entry Time (MET) for each of these additional events.
- 4.3 NPC can enter a maximum of one (1) team in each relay event as long as the MQS for the relay has been met. All team members must have qualified in at least one (1) individual event to be selected as part of the relay-team.

#### **5 QUALIFICATION SYSTEM**

- 5.1 Qualification slots will be allocated through the following methods:
  - i) 2015 World Championships Allocation
  - ii) MQS Qualification 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 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 to 30<sup>th</sup> May 2016 to be considered for selection:
  - i) Local competitions sanctioned by SDSC
  - ii) International competitions sanctioned by IPC Swimming
- 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 Swimming MQS performance but non-selection could be due to SNPC's determination that the athlete did not satisfy the selection criteria set out in Section 3.1 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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