

PARIS 2024 PARALYMPIC GAMES
New Zealand Shooting Federation Incorporated
Nomination Criteria

1 Application of this Criteria

1.1 This Criteria is issued by the Board of the **New Zealand Shooting Federation Incorporated (NZSF)** and forms part of Schedule **M** of the Paralympics New Zealand (PNZ) Selection Regulation. A copy of the PNZ Selection Regulations is available on the [PNZ website](#).

1.2 This Criteria shall take effect from **11 May 2023** or such other date specified by PNZ.

1.3 This Criteria applies to:

- a all Para athletes wishing to be considered for nomination to the Paralympic Games Team to compete in the Paralympic Games; and
- b **NZSF**, including their Sport Specific Selectors that wish to nominate Para athletes to PNZ to be considered for selection to the Paralympic Games Team for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games.

2 Definitions

Application Date means **20 October 2023**, or any other date as specified by PNZ, by which Para athletes must submit a completed Para athlete Application to PNZ in accordance with the PNZ Selection Regulation.

Para athlete means a person who wishes to be considered for nomination to the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games Team.

Para athlete Agreement means the agreement that must be completed by any Para athlete wishing to be considered for nomination and selection to the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games Team and which is attached to the PNZ Selection Regulation as **Appendix 2**.

Para athlete Application means the form that must be completed by any Para athlete applying to be nominated and selected to the Paris Paralympic Games Team and which is attached to the PNZ Selection Regulation as **Appendix 1**.

Board means the Board of **New Zealand Shooting Federation Incorporated** as constituted under the Constitution.

Board Members	means the members of the Board of New Zealand Shooting Federation Incorporated (NZSF) as defined in the Constitution.
Commencement Date	means the date this Criteria came into force, namely 11 May 2023 .
Constitution	means the Constitution of the New Zealand Shooting Federation Incorporated .
Criteria	means this Criteria and is also known as the “ Nomination Criteria ”.
DFSNZ	means Drug Free Sport New Zealand .
Paralympic Games	means the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games to be held in Paris, France from 28 August – 8 September 2024 .
Paralympic Games Team	means the New Zealand Paralympic Team selected in accordance with this Regulation to compete in the Paralympic Games and excludes any Para athletes selected as reserves.
General Nomination Criteria	means the criteria set out in clause 5.3.
IF	means an International Sports Federation .
IPC	means the International Paralympic Committee .
Member	means the members of PNZ as specified in the Constitution.
Nominated Para athlete	means a Para athlete nominated by New Zealand Shooting Federation Incorporated in accordance with the PNZ Selection Regulation.
Nomination Criteria	means the criteria made up of the General Nomination Criteria, the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria and the Specific Nomination Factors, and is also referred to as “this Criteria”.
Nomination Date	means 26 June 2024 or any other date specified by PNZ, by which New Zealand Shooting Federation Incorporated must submit any Nominated Para athletes to PNZ.
NSO	means a National Sporting Organisation.
NZSF	means New Zealand Shooting Federation Incorporated
Over-Riding Nomination Criteria	means the criteria set out in clause 5.4.
PNZ	means Paralympics New Zealand Incorporated.
PNZ Selection Regulation	means the regulation adopted by the PNZ Board to clearly document and make available to all Para athletes and NSOs

the application, nomination and selection process to be used by PNZ in selecting Para athletes for the Paralympic Games Team to compete in the Paralympic Games.

Supporting Evidence	means the supporting evidence set out in clause 5.5
Specific Nomination Factors	means the nomination factors set out in clause 5.6
NSO	means any National Sporting Organisation that is a Member of PNZ.
Sport Development Manager	means the Sport Development Manager of the NZSF and in the event there is not one, then such person nominated by NZSF to undertake the role of such person under this Nomination Criteria
Sports Organisation	means any NSO that is a member of PNZ
SSS	means sport specific selectors appointed by the New Zealand Shooting Federation Incorporated
Team	means a group of Para athletes in a team event.
WADA	means the World Anti-Doping Agency .

Unless specified otherwise, any other terms used in this Criteria shall have the meanings set out in the PNZ Selection Regulation.

3 Sport Specific Selectors

3.1 Composition: The Sport Specific Selectors from **NZSF** shall be appointed by **the New Zealand Shooting Federation Board**. The SSS from **NZSF** who will consider nomination of Para athletes to PNZ to be considered for selection in the Paralympic Games Team are:

- a. An experienced and independent Chairperson being the President of NZSF, or another person appointed by NZSF;
- b. A person experienced in the selection of shooters as chosen by Target Shooting New Zealand Incorporated (TSNZ or Target Shooting);
- c. A person experienced in the selection of shooters as chosen by New Zealand Clay Target Association (NZCTA or Clay Target);
- d. A person experienced in the selection of shooters as chosen by Pistol New Zealand Incorporated (Pistol NZ or Pistol); and
- e. A person experienced in the selection of shooters as chosen by National Rifle Association of New Zealand Incorporated (NRANZ)

3.2 Potential Conflicts of Interest: If a NZSF Selector has, or may have, or the NZSF Board believes any NZSF Selector has, or may have, a potential Conflict of Interest, then the NZSF Selector must disclose the nature of the potential Conflict of Interest to the NZSF Executive

3.3 Actual Conflicts of Interest: If a NZSF Selector has, or may have, or the NZSF Executive believes any NZSF Selector has, or may have, an actual Conflict of Interest, then:

(a) The NZSF Selector must disclose the nature of the Conflict of Interest to the NZSF Executive;
and

(b) the NZSF Selector will be replaced as a NZSF Selector by another person appointed by the NZSF Executive but in the case of a person referred to in clauses 3.1 (b), (c), or (d) the replacement shall be made after consultation with the relevant Discipline or in case of a person referred to in clause 3.1(e) after consultation with NRANZ.

NOTE: The onus is on each Discipline not to choose a NZSF Selector who has, or is likely to have, a Conflict of Interest. For the purposes of this Nomination Criteria, “Conflict of Interest” means a situation where a NZSF Selector has a personal, financial, or other material interest that is, or is likely to, have an impact on the nomination or non-nomination of an Athlete, or the role and responsibilities of that person as a NZSF Selector. For example, this includes a relationship as a previous or existing coach of an Athlete, or a family relationship with an Athlete or where nomination or non-nomination affects another person that the NZSF Selector has a relationship as a previous or existing coach of an Athlete, or a family relationship with an Athlete

4 Nomination Procedure

4.1 Nomination if Criteria met: If the conditions of nomination set out in the PNZ Selection Regulation are met to the satisfaction of the SSS, the SSS shall then nominate those Para athletes it considers meet the Nomination Criteria set out below.

5 Nomination Criteria

5.1 Nomination Criteria: The NZSF Nomination Criteria for nomination to the Paralympic Games Team is made up of the following parts:

a the General Criteria specified in clause 5.3;

b the Over-Riding Criteria specified in clause 5.4; and

c the Supporting Evidence specified in clause 5.5

5.2 In determining the General Nomination Criteria and the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria the SSS must also take into account:

a any Specific Nomination Factors specified in clause 5.6 of this criteria;

5.3 General Nomination Criteria: Firstly, taking into account the Specific Nomination Factors **and Technical Considerations**, the SSS **must** be satisfied that the Para athlete:

- a has met the conditions of nomination specified in clause 8.2 of the PNZ Selection Regulation;
- b will, in the opinion of the SSS, be an effective and harmonious member of the Paralympic Games Team;
- c has not acted in such a manner so as to bring the Para athlete, the sport, **NZSF** or PNZ into public disrepute; and
- d in the opinion of the SSS, has acted and will continue to act, as a positive role model to all New Zealand Para athletes.

5.4 Over-Riding Nomination Criteria: Secondly, taking into account the Specific Nomination Factors, the SSS **must** be satisfied overall that, in their opinion, that the Para athlete or Team has met the following:

5.4.1 **Individuals:** A Para athlete being considered for individual events, has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the SSS that they are capable of:

- a. achieving a medal placing in the Paralympic Games in their event; or
- b. achieving a top eight (8) placing in the Paralympic Games in their event and a medal placing at Los Angeles 2028 Paralympic Games.

5.4.2 **Teams:** A Team has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the SSS that the Team is capable of:

- a. achieving a medal placing in the Paralympic Games in their event; or
- b. achieving a top five (5) placing in the Paralympic Games in their event **and** a medal placing at the Los Angeles 2028 Paralympic Games.

5.5 Supporting Evidence: In demonstrating a Para athlete or Team's capability, the SSS must assess the evidence showing tracking of the Para athlete's and Team's performances and results. This evidence may include, but is not limited to, the following information:

- a. Hold an active World Shooting Para Sport (WSPS) Athlete License for the 2024 season;
- b. Is a current member of their respective NZSF affiliate – either TSNZ or Pistol NZ;
- c. Be internationally classified in an eligible Sport Class Status of (i) Confirmed; or (ii) Review with a Fixed Review Date of 2025 or later;
- d. The athlete must have achieved a WSPS Minimum Qualification Score (MQS) **Appendix 1** at two (2) WSPS Recognised Competitions (WSPS Competition, WSPS Sanctioned

Competition, WSPS Shooting Approved Competition) in the same medal event between 1 January 2022 and 15 July 2024;

- e. The athlete must have achieved a NZSF Minimum Qualification Standard (MQS) **Appendix 2**, at one WSPS NZSF/PNZ Designated Event between 01 January 2022 and 15 July 2024 **Appendix 3**;
- f. PNZ will be awarded 'quota allocations' per event based on New Zealand athlete performances at WSPS recognised competitions. Therefore, PNZ will only be able to select athletes up to the number of these 'quota allocations'. Therefore, selectors will use the following factors when selecting athletes who have met the PNZ Nomination Criteria
- g. **Performance History:** The Para athlete's history of performance at Paralympic Games, WSPS Shooting World Championships and WSPS Shooting World Cups
 - ii. Gap to Podium: The gap between the athlete's performances at one WSPS recognised competition NZSF/PNZ Designated Match to winning a medal at the Games based off the 2022 to 2024 WSPS Shooting World Championship results;
- iii. Number of events: The number of events an athlete is deemed to be tracking towards winning a medal at the games;
- iv. Rate of Progression: The rate of the Athlete's progression and forecasted placing at the Games;
- v. The rate of progression of other athletes from other nations in that event;
- vi. Nations Selection: The likelihood of athletes from other nations being selected for the Games
- h. An NPC may enter a Maximum of two (2) eligible athletes per medal event. Where more than two (2) athletes have met the PNZ Nomination Criteria the selectors will use the following factors
 - i. Performance History: The athlete's history of performance at Paralympic Games, WSPS World Championships and WSPS World Cups.
 - ii. Gap to Podium: The gap between the athlete's performance at one WSPS NZSF/PNZ Designated Event to winning a medal at the games based off the 2022 to 2024 WSPS World Championship results;
 - iii. Number of events: The number of events an athlete is deemed to be tracking towards winning a medal at the games;
 - iv. Rate of Progression: The rate of the Athlete's progression and forecasted placing at the Games;

5.6 Specific Nomination Factors: When considering the General Nomination Criteria and the Over-riding Nomination Criteria above, the SSS **shall** also take into account any one or more of the following factors about a Para athlete and a Team:

- a the performance and results of the Para athlete, or Team in which the Para athlete was a member, including consistency of performance and results at events (particularly internationally), competitions, and activities (such as camps and trials), in the period two (2) years preceding the possible selection of the Nominated Para athlete;
- b adequate fitness and a commitment to maintain a fitness and training programme as agreed with the applicable coach(es);
- c demonstrated good behaviour, including a commitment to training and attendance at training camps;
- d demonstrated compatibility with others in a team environment;
- e demonstrated compliance with the rules of events and competitions;
- f understanding and respect for the position on the Team and/or when competing in the Paralympic Games Team at the Paralympic Games, including respect for team members and officials;
- g willingness to promote PNZ in a positive manner;
- h demonstrated ability to take personal responsibility for self and their results;
- i proven ability to be reliable; and
- j any other factor(s) the SSS considers relevant.

In considering any one or more of the above factors, the SSS may make such enquiries of the Nominated Para athletes, or other persons, as it sees fit.

5.7 Weight to be given to Specific Nomination Factors: The SSS **may** give weight to any one or more of the Specific Nomination Factors and if it does, to apply such weighting to one or more Para athletes. No particular factor shall be weighted more or less significantly by reason only of the order in which that factor appears in this Criteria.

5.8 Extenuating Circumstances: In any decision regarding the nomination of Para athletes and Teams to PNZ for the Paralympic Games Team, the SSS may, in their sole discretion, take into account any extenuating circumstances in accordance with clause 5.11 below.

5.9 Nomination Procedure: After consideration of the Nomination Criteria the SSS shall follow the procedure set out in the PNZ Selection Regulation.

5.10 Overriding Discretion: Notwithstanding the criteria, in considering Para athletes and Teams for selection, PNZ has an absolute overriding discretion to select (or not select) Para athletes or Teams (including those who may not meet the above criteria) for the Paralympic Games Team. In doing so it may take into account factors such as, but not limited to, compatibility of Para athletes, Para athletes prior conduct, or factors that may affect the Paralympic Games Team as a whole.

5.11 Extenuating Circumstances: PNZ may in its sole discretion take into account extenuating circumstances and therefore waive or vary some or all of the above criteria. Detailed evidence must be provided with any nomination seeking consideration of extenuating circumstances which has affected a Para athlete's/team's progress. For the purpose of this Policy, "extenuating circumstances" means the inability of a Para athlete or Team to compete or perform to an optimum level due to factors such as:

- a injury or illness of a Para athlete;
- b equipment failure;
- c travel delays;
- d bereavement or personal misfortune; and
- e such other circumstances as the selectors reasonably consider constitute "extenuating circumstances."

5.12 Para athletes unable to compete at events, trials, or other attendances required under this Criteria, must advise the Chief Executive of the extenuating circumstances, and reasons, in writing, with as much advance notice as possible and ideally 5 working days prior to the commencement of the event, trial or other attendance. If the Chief Executive is not notified of any extenuating circumstances in accordance with this Criteria, then the SSS has no obligation to rely on such circumstances. In the case of injury or illness, Para athletes may be required by the SSS to provide a medical certificate and/or to undergo an examination by a health practitioner/s nominated by the SSS, and to provide that opinion and/or report to the SSS. Any failure to agree to such a request may result in the SSS being unable to consider the injury or illness as an extenuating circumstance.

5.13 In the case of any extenuating circumstance/s, the SSS will make a nomination decision on a case by case basis.

6 Appeal Procedure

6.1 Nomination Appeals: Any Para athlete who has applied for nomination and selection to the Paralympic Games Team and who has returned a completed Para athlete Application to PNZ by the Application Date and a Para athlete Agreement to PNZ by the Nomination Date may appeal to the **NZSF** against their non-nomination to PNZ by the SSS of the **NZSF** in accordance with the procedures set out in the PNZ Selection Regulation.

7 Inconsistencies

- 7.1** In the event there is any inconsistency between this Criteria and the PNZ Selection Regulation, the PNZ Selection Regulation shall prevail.
- 7.2** If this Criteria imposes a higher qualification standard or a lesser number of participants than stated by the IPC this shall not be regarded as an inconsistency.

8 Amendments to this Criteria

- 8.1** This Criteria may be amended or supplemented from time to time by the Board.
- 8.2** The Board will give as much notice as possible of any amendment/s or supplement/s to this Regulation, to persons it considers may be affected by any such amendment/s or supplement/s.
- 8.3** This Criteria includes any amendments to the IPC rules, regulations, policies and codes.

Appendix 1: WSPS Minimum Qualification Score

Event	Score
<i>Rifle</i>	
R1 – 10m Air Rifle Standing (SH1)	600.0
R2 – 10m Air Rifle Standing (SH1)	595.0
R3 – 10m Air Rifle Prone (SH1)	625.0
R4 - 10m Air Rifle Standing (SH2)	620.0
R5 - 10m Air Rifle Prone (SH2)	628.0
R6 – 50m Free Rifle Prone (SH1)	610.0
R7 – 50m Free Rifle 3 x 40 (SH1)	1110
R8 – 50m Sport Rifle 3 x 20 (SH1)	1050
R9 – 50m Rifle Prone (SH2)	610.0
<i>Pistol</i>	
P1 - 10m Air Pistol (SH1)	547
P2 – 10m Air Pistol (SH1)	510
P3 – 25m Sport Pistol (SH1)	540
P4 – 50m Free Pistol (SH1)	510

Appendix 2: New Zealand Shooting Federation Incorporated (NZSF) Minimum Qualification Standard

Event	Score
<i>Rifle</i>	
R1 – 10m Air Rifle Standing (SH1)	614.5
R2 – 10m Air Rifle Standing (SH1)	613.5
R3 – 10m Air Rifle Prone (SH1)	631.2
R4 - 10m Air Rifle Standing (SH2)	627.9
R5 - 10m Air Rifle Prone (SH2)	633.4
R6 – 50m Free Rifle Prone (SH1)	616.5
R7 – 50m Free Rifle 3 x 40 (SH1)	1141
R8 – 50m Sport Rifle 3 x 20 (SH1)	1120
R9 – 50m Rifle Prone (SH2)	614
<i>Pistol</i>	
P1 - 10m Air Pistol (SH1)	562
P2 – 10m Air Pistol (SH1)	551
P3 – 25m Sport Pistol (SH1)	557
P4 – 50m Free Pistol (SH1)	529

Appendix 3: WSPS NZSF/PNZ Designated Events

Designated Event	Date	Location
Shooting Para Sport – World Cup	4-13 th June 2022	Chateauroux
NZ WSPS Grand Prix	14-20 July 2022	New Zealand
Shooting Para Sport – World Cup	15-20 August 2022	Korea
Shooting Para Sport – World Championships	3-18 November 2022	Al Ain
ISCH Grand Prix	28 April – 8 May 2023	Hanover
Shooting Para Sport – World Cup	22-31 May 2023	Korea
Shooting Para Sport – World Cup	4-13 July 2023	Osijek-Croatia
NZ WSPS Grand Prix	6-11 July 2023	New Zealand
TBA	19-29 September 2023	Lima Peru
Shooting Para Sport – World Cup	4-16 December 2023	Al Ain
PLUS any WSPS sanctioned events during 2024 that are agreed to by PNZ and NZSF selectors		

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