



PNZ Shooting Para Sport Selection Criteria

Changwon 2026 WSPS World Championships, KOREA, 7-18 September 2026

Please Note: These selection criteria should be read in conjunction with the Paralympics New Zealand (PNZ) General Selection Regulation for PNZ Managed Sports: [PNZ General Selection Regulation](#).

1.0 Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible to represent the New Zealand Shooting Para Sport Team at the 2026 World Shooting Para Sport WSPS World Championships, a Para athlete must:

- Comply with all PNZ Policies.
- Satisfy all WSPS, eligibility, nationality, and participation rules.
- Be a registered member of Target Shooting NZ and/or Pistol NZ.

Para athletes must have achieved a Minimum Qualification Score (MQS) at a WSPS recognised competition for one event between 01 September 2025 and 31 July 2026 as listed below:

- Al Ain 2025 WSPS World Cup, 25 October-05 November, UAE;
- Novi Sad 2026 WSPS World Cup, 21-31 July, Serbia

A Para athlete may compete in multiple events if they have achieved the MQS score in each event (MQS scores refer to [Appendix 1](#)):

- Hold a current WSPS Licence for the 2026 Season.
- Be internationally classified with a “Confirmed” (C), “Review at the Next Available Opportunity” (R-NAO) or “Review with a Fixed Review Date” (R-FRD) Sport Class Status on or before 31 May 2026.

2.0 NZSF Selection Panel

An NZSF Selection Panel of three people will be appointed by the NZSF Executive, from the following available roles:

- New Zealand Shooting Federation – President or nominee
- Target Shooting New Zealand – President or nominee
- New Zealand Clay Target Association – President or nominee
- Pistol New Zealand – President or nominee
- National Rifle Association of New Zealand – President or nominee
- NZSF Sport Development Manager – or nominee

The NZSF Selection Panel will ratify Para athlete selections for the New Zealand Shooting Para Sport Team.

Conflict of interest

If the NZSF Executive believes any NZSF Selector has, or may have a potential or actual conflict, then that NZSF Selector may not participate in any discussions or voting decisions which may be affected by the conflict of interest; and that NZSF Selector will be replaced by his or her nominee appointed by the relevant discipline.

3.0 Extenuating Circumstances

These criteria apply, in considering the performance of the Para athlete, the Selection Panel may, at their discretion and on a case-by-case basis, consider extenuating circumstances as part of the nomination process. Such circumstances may include but are not limited to:

- Equipment Failure.
- Injury or Illness of the Para athlete.
- Travel Delays.
- Bereavement.

Such other circumstances as the Selection Panel may reasonably consider constitute extenuating circumstances.

Para athletes who are unable to compete in and/or attend the event, trial, training, or other required attendances must advise the PNZ Senior Manager, Sport and Pathways and or PNZ Head of Games and Sport Delivery in writing of this fact and the reason before the commencement of any of the listed events.

Or if it occurs within twelve (12) hours before the event, by phone as soon as possible after it arises, and follow up in writing. In case of injury or illness, the Para athlete may be required to undergo a medical assessment by a doctor or doctors nominated by PNZ and the affiliate before they can give weight to any extenuating circumstance.

4.0 Timeline

- **15 December 2025** Selection Documents sent to Para athletes:
 - PNZ Para Athlete Application Form for selection to the New Zealand Shooting Para Sport Team to attend the Changwon 2026 WSPS World Championships.
 - PNZ General Selection Regulation.
 - PNZ Shooting Para Sport 2026 World Championships Selection Criteria (with MQS).
- **1 February 2026:** Para athletes return signed selection PNZ Para athlete Application Form.
- **31 March 2026:** Para athletes return signed PNZ Shooting Para Sport Team Agreement.
- **5 August 2026:** Para athletes advised of nomination for consideration for selection
- **17 August 2026:** NZSF Selection Panel to meet.
- **18 August 2026:** Para athletes advised of selection/non selection.
- **25 August 2026:** Selections announced.

Appendix 1

Changwon, Korea 2026 WSPS World Championships MQS Scores

Event	Discipline	Gender	Class	MQS
R1	10m Air rifle standing	Men	SH1	592
R2	10m Air rifle standing	Women	SH1	585
R3	10m Air rifle prone	Mixed	SH1	620.4
R4	10m Air rifle standing	Mixed	SH2	614.1
R5	10m Air rifle prone	Mixed	SH2	624.4
R6	50m Rifle prone	Mixed	SH1	598.7
*R7	50m Rifle 3 positions	Men	SH1	555
*R8	50m Rifle 3 positions	Women	SH1	525
R9	50m Rifle prone	Mixed	SH2	602.8
P1	10m Air pistol	Men	SH1	532
P2	10m Air pistol	Women	SH1	500
P3	25m Sport pistol .22	Mixed	SH1	530
P4	50m Free pistol .22	Mixed	SH1	500
P5	10m Air pistol standard	Mixed	SH1	314
PT1	Trap seated	Mixed	SG-S	60
PT2	Trap standing (Lower Limb)	Mixed	SG-L	70
PT3	Trap standing (Upper Limb)	Mixed	SG-U	65
VIS	10m VI Air rifle standing	Mixed	SH-VI	400
VIP	10m VI Air rifle prone	Mixed	SH-VI	550

* Pending official adoption of the 3x20 in the new WSPS rulebook.