

## 2019 International Classification Opportunities for Athletes with Physical, Intellectual and Vision Impairment

Please find below the list of World Para Swimming competitions in the year 2019 which offer international classification. World Para Swimming will update the list should opportunities become available.

Details for the below listed competitions can be found on the [World Para Swimming Calendar](#). Any queries on classification can be directed to [jovana.zrnzevic@paralympic.org](mailto:jovana.zrnzevic@paralympic.org), all queries must come from the NPC or approved NF.

### Athlete Classification

At competitions where classification is offered, World Para Swimming will schedule athletes with a New or Review status pursuant with the below regulations. Preference will be given to NPCs that submitted their prioritised classification requests for the 2019 season by the announced deadline.

An athlete will only be permitted to undergo International Classification if he or she:

- Is licensed with World Para Swimming pursuant to the relevant provisions in the World Para Swimming Rules and Regulations;
- Has been entered into the competition by the entry deadline;
- Has submitted Medical Diagnostics information (Medical Diagnostic Form and supporting documents) to the Sport Data Management System (SDMS) by the final entry deadline.

Where a classification schedule is full:

- World Para Swimming will prioritise athletes based on the priority lists submitted by the National Paralympic Committees;
- World Para Swimming will have a discretion to distribute the number of classification slots per National Paralympic Committee;
- World Para Swimming will prioritise licensed athletes over registered athletes, and athletes with Sport Class Status New may take priority over those with a Review Sport Class Status.

If an Athlete is required to attend Athlete Evaluation, they must arrive at the competition prior to the start of the classification period. World Para Swimming will schedule athletes in accordance

with the classification period and not arrival dates of athletes. World Para Swimming may not be able to accommodate any request to change any athlete's classification times.

World Para Swimming will publish classification schedules to the [World Para Swimming website](#) and notify NPCs. It is the responsibility of the NPC to inform athletes of their scheduled time for athlete evaluation.

### **Medical Diagnostic Form for Athletes with Physical and Vision Impairment**

The Medical Diagnostic Form (MDF) must be submitted to the [IPC Sport Data Management System](#) (SDMS) for all athletes with a New or Review// Review with a Fixed Review date of 2019 sport class status at the time of licensing. The Medical Diagnostic Form must be accompanied with supportive medical diagnostic information.

Depending on the athlete's health condition and impairment, additional medical diagnostic information may be requested at any time (as per article 7.6 of the [World Para Swimming Classification Rules and Regulations](#), January 2018). If an athlete fails to produce sufficient medical documentation and the classification panel considers that the absence of such medical documentation will affect its ability to conduct Athlete Evaluation in a fair manner, classification will be suspended as per article 30 of the [World Para Swimming Classification Rules and Regulations](#) (January 2018).

The Medical Diagnostic Form is published on the World Para Swimming website under Classification:

- Medical Diagnostic Form for Athletes with Physical Impairment: [link](#)
- Medical Diagnostic Form for Athletes with Vision Impairment: [link](#)

### **Note on Athletes with an Intellectual Impairment (II)**

Athletes with Intellectual impairment are not required to submit a Medical Diagnostic Form to SDMS. However, prior to Athlete Evaluation, an Athlete must comply with the following criteria:

- Inclusion on the INAS Classification Master list
- Completion of the Training History and Sport Limitation Questionnaire (TSAL-Q) no older than 12 months.

Competition Name	Country	Classification Dates	Competition Dates	PI	VI	II
Melbourne 2019 World Para Swimming World Series	Australia	12-14 February	15-17 February	yes	yes	yes
Indianapolis 2019 World Para Swimming World Series	USA	1-3 April	4-6 April	yes	no	yes
Sao Paulo 2019 World Para Swimming World Series	Brazil	23-25 April	26-28 April	yes	yes	yes
Glasgow 2019 World Para Swimming World Series	United Kingdom	22-24 April	25-28 April	yes	yes	yes
Singapore 2019 World Para Swimming World Series	Singapore	7-9 May	10-12 May	yes	no	yes
Lignano Sabbiadoro 2019 World Para Swimming World Series	Italy	27-29 May	30 May – 2 June	yes	no	yes
Berlin 2019 World Para Swimming World Series	Germany	3-5 June	6-9 June	yes	yes	no
Kuching 2019 World Para Swimming Championships	Malaysia	26-28 July	29 July- 4 August	yes	yes	yes
Lima 2019 Parapan Am Games	Peru	21-24 August	25-31 August	yes	yes	yes
INAS Global Games	Australia	11-13 October	14-16 October	no	no	yes

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