

CANOE

Medal Events

Male	Female	Mixed	Total
5	4	0	9
Kayak single KL1 Kayak single KL2 Kayak single KL3 Va'a single VL2 Va's single VL3	Kayak single KL1 Kayak single KL2 Kayak single KL3 Va'a single VL2		

Athlete Quota

Male	Female	Gender Free	Total
50	40	0	90

Allocation of Qualification Slots

The qualification slot is allocated to the NPC, not to the individual athlete. An athlete can only obtain one (1) qualification slot for their NPC.

If an athlete attains a qualifying rank in both a Kayak and a Va'a medal event, the NPC is allocated the Va'a qualification slot while the Kayak qualification slot is allocated to the next highest ranked athlete in the respective Kayak event (not otherwise qualified). Should the athlete lose the qualification slot due to the Three Continents Rule (see below) in either of the events then the athlete will retain the qualification slot superseding the continental restrictions.

Maximum Quota Allocation per NPC

An NPC can be allocated a maximum of one (1) qualification slot per medal event. An NPC can obtain a maximum of five (5) male and four (4) female slots.

There must be a minimum of three (3) continents represented in each medal event at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games. Should three (3) continents not be represented then the lowest ranked qualified NPC at the 2020 ICF Paracanoe World Championships will lose their slot in the respective medal event and the qualification slot will be given to the highest ranked NPC from another continent not represented in that event. This process will be repeated until three (3) continents are represented in all medal events. Host Country slots will count as representing a continent for qualification slots.



Athlete Eligibility

To be eligible for selection by an NPC, athletes must:

- be internationally classified either with a 'Confirmed' sport class status or a 'Review' sport class status with a review date after 31 December 2020;
- have competed in the 2019 or the 2020 ICF Paracanoe World Championships.

Maximum Entry per NPC

An NPC must enter a minimum of one (1) eligible athlete per medal event for which a qualification slot was obtained. An athlete may be entered in a second medal event of the other boat category (Kayak or Va'a) as long as they hold the required sport class for that additional event and also meet the above eligibility requirements.

An athlete may enter a maximum of two (2) medal events, one Kayak and one Va'a, as long as the athlete meets all classification and eligibility requirements for both events. An NPC may enter a maximum of two (2) eligible athletes per medal event.

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Qualification slots will be allocated as follows:

METHOD	QUALIFICATION	TOTAL
2019 World Championships Qualification	In the Male medal events, the top six (6) ranked athletes in each medal event each obtain one (1) qualification slot for their NPC. In the Female medal events, the top six (6) ranked athletes in each medal event each obtain one (1) qualification slot for their NPC. An NPC can obtain only one (1) qualification slot per medal event. Any subsequent slot will be allocated to the next highest ranked NPC (not yet qualified).	30 male athletes 24 female athletes
2020 World Championships Qualification	In the Male medal events, the top four (4) ranked athletes in each medal event (not yet qualified) each obtain one (1) qualification slot for their NPC, but this is subject to the Host Country's right to take up one (1) or both of the two (2) slots reserved for Kayak and Va'a (see Host Country Allocation below).	18 male athletes 14 female athletes



	In the Female medal events, the top four (4) ranked athletes in each medal event (not yet qualified) each obtain one (1) qualification slot for their NPC, but this is subject to the Host Country's right to take up one (1) or both of the two (2) slots reserved for Kayak and Va'a (see Host Country Allocation below). An NPC can obtain only one (1) qualification slot per medal event. Any subsequent slot will be allocated to the next highest ranked NPC (not yet qualified). NPCs that have already obtained qualification slots at the 2019 ICF Paracanoe World Championships cannot obtain an additional qualification slot in the respective event(s) at the 2020 ICF Paracanoe World Championships. (Note: The seeding of heats at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games will be based upon the results ranking of qualified NPCs at the 2020 World Championships.)	
Host Country Allocation	The host country directly qualifies one (1) eligible male athlete in Kayak, one (1) eligible female athlete in Kayak, one (1) eligible male athlete in Va'a and one (1) eligible female athlete in Va'a, subject to participation in the 2020 ICF Paracanoe World Championships. The Host Country slots will be awarded from the events in which the host country (male and/or female) has had the highest ranked performance at the 2020 ICF Paracanoe World Championships. Should the host country obtain a minimum of one (1) male and/or one (1) female qualification slot in Kayak and/or in Va'a at the 2019 or 2020 ICF Paracanoe World Championships, the NCP will not receive a host country allocation for that respective boat category and for the respective gender. The reserved host country slot for that boat category and gender will be released and allocated via the 2020 World Championship Qualification allocation method (see above).	1 male athlete in Kayak 1 male athlete in Va'a 1 female athlete in Kayak 1 female athlete in Va'a



Total		50 male athletes 40 female athletes
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TIMELINE

20-24 Aug. 2019	2019 ICF Paracanoe World Championships, Szeged, Hungary
2020, tbc	2020 ICF Paracanoe World Championships
8 May 2020	Deadline for Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee to receive accreditation application forms submitted by NPCs ("Accreditation Long List")
1 June 2020	ICF confirms in writing to the NPCs the allocation of qualification slots
15 June 2020	NPCs confirm to ICF in writing the use of allocated qualification slots
30 June 2020	ICF confirms in writing the reallocation of unused qualification slots
3 August 2020	Deadline for Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee to receive sport entry forms submitted by NPCs

CONFIRMATION PROCESS OF ALLOCATED SLOTS

By 15 June 2020 each qualified NPC must confirm to the ICF in writing (emails are accepted) the qualification slots they will use. NPCs that have not responded by this date will lose their qualification slots, and ICF will reallocate these slots. If an NPC confirms acceptance of a qualification slot, the NPC commits to enter a boat into the medal event for which the slot was obtained.

By 30 June 2020 the ICF will confirm in writing the reallocation of all unused qualification slots.

By 30 June 2020 it is officially declared that the respective NPCs will use the allocated quotas granted for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games. Any NPC that does not use all of its allocated and accepted qualification slots may be subject to sanctions by IPC and ICF.



REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS

Any unused qualification slot from the 2019 ICF Paracanoe World Championships will be offered to the next highest ranked NPC (not yet qualified) in the respective medal event. Should no ranked NPC be available, the slot will go to the next highest ranked NPC (not otherwise qualified) in the respective medal event at the 2020 ICF Paracanoe World Championships.

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Should no ranked NPC be available to fill all the qualification slots in a particular medal event, then the slot(s) will be reallocated at the discretion of the ICF to the highest ranking NPC (not otherwise qualified) in a different medal event of the same gender at either the 2019 or 2020 ICF Paracanoe World Championships.

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