

London 2012



Team Leaders' Guide Wheelchair Basketball



All information in this guide was correct at the time of going to press. Changes to schedules, procedures, facilities and services, along with any other essential updates, will be communicated to teams by competition management if required. Changes to competition and training schedules will also appear on Info+.



Welcome

On behalf of LOCOG, I'm delighted to introduce this Team Leaders' Guide for the London 2012 Paralympic Games. I would like to thank everyone from the IPC, NPCs and all our stakeholders and partners for their support and advice in working with us to ensure that everything is in place for the teams and the athletes at Games time.

We aim to provide the optimum conditions across all of our competition venues, ensuring athletes are able to perform at their peak on the world's biggest sporting stage. Our training venues are equipped with a full range of sporting and support services that will allow athletes to prepare properly for their competition. Our three Paralympic Villages and additional accommodation provide a secure, comfortable base and a unique sense of community. And all of our venues are connected by a comprehensive and reliable transport service.

This guide contains important information on a number of subjects:

- Key dates and personnel, including contact details.
- Information on the competition format and rules.
- Guidance on all procedures relating to competition and training.
- Details of all venue facilities and services, including transport information and maps.
- Summary information on subjects that affect all sports, such as accreditation, security and medical services.

We hope that this guide helps you in your preparations and your activities at Games time. However, if you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the competition management team.

London 2012 promises to deliver an exciting and memorable summer of world-class competition. I'm delighted to welcome you to it.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Debbie Jevans". The signature is stylized and includes a long horizontal flourish at the bottom.

Debbie Jevans
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Competition: Essentials



Competition: Essentials

The Wheelchair Basketball competition at the London 2012 Paralympic Games will be held from Thursday 30 August to Saturday 8 September 2012 at the new Basketball Arena in the Olympic Park and at North Greenwich Arena in London. The competition will consist of two medal events. A total of up to 264 athletes, 144 men and 120 women, may take part in the Wheelchair Basketball competition, with each team limited to a maximum of 12 players.

Key dates		
6 August 2012	Sport entries final deadline (midnight, GMT +1)	
22 August 2012	Paralympic Village official opening	
	Start of official training	
29 August 2012 (Day 0)	Wheelchair Basketball technical meeting	p27
	Paralympic Games Opening Ceremony	p49
30 August 2012 (Day 1)	Start of Wheelchair Basketball competition	p21
8 September 2012 (Day 10)	End of Wheelchair Basketball competition	
9 September 2012 (Day 11)	Paralympic Games Closing Ceremony	p49
12 September 2012	Paralympic Village closes	

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Participating NPCs – men					
AUS	CAN	COL	ESP	GBR	GER
ITA	JPN	POL	RSA	TUR	USA

Participating NPCs – women				
AUS	BRA	CAN	CHN	FRA
GBR	GER	MEX	NED	USA

Medal events	
Men (1)	Women (1)
12-team tournament	10-team tournament

Competition format

Both the men's and women's events will consist of a round-robin phase followed by a direct elimination phase.

The men's tournament will begin with two groups of six teams playing in a round-robin format within each group, where all teams will play each other once. The top four teams in each group will qualify for the quarter-final phase, with the bottom two teams from each group playing classification games to determine the rankings from 9th to 12th.

The winners of the four quarter-finals will progress to the semi-finals, while the losers will play classification games to determine the rankings from 5th to 8th. The winners of the semi-finals will then play in the gold medal game, while the losing teams from the semi-finals play in the bronze medal game.

The women's tournament will begin with two groups of five teams playing in a round-robin format within each group, where all teams will play each other once. The top four teams in each group will qualify for the quarter-final phase, with the bottom teams from each group playing each other for 9th and 10th places. The winners of the four quarter-finals will progress to the semi-finals, while the losers will play classification games to determine the rankings from 5th to 8th. The winners of the semi-finals will then play in the gold medal game, while the losing teams from the semi-finals will play in the bronze medal game.

Competition draw

The draw was conducted by officials from the IWBF on 21 January 2012.

Competition rules

The Wheelchair Basketball competition will be held in accordance with the editions of the following documents that are in force at the time of the Games:

- IWBF Official Wheelchair Basketball Rules (available at iwbf.org)
- London 2012 Paralympic Games Classification Guide (available at <https://theexchange.london2012.com>)
- IPC Handbook (available at paralympic.org)

The IWBF, working with LOCOG Wheelchair Basketball competition management, will be responsible for the technical control and direction of the Wheelchair Basketball competition at the London 2012 Paralympic Games.

Appeals and protests

Protests and appeals will be carried out in accordance with the IWBF Official Wheelchair Basketball Rules, Section Rule Nine (C).

Duration and scoring

In accordance with the IWBF Official Wheelchair Basketball Rules, Wheelchair Basketball games for both men and women at London 2012 will last 40 minutes, with each game consisting of four periods of 10 minutes each. If the score is tied after 40 minutes, an overtime period of five minutes is played.

Athlete Substitution Rules

Athlete substitutions will only be considered for an NPC if the substitution is in the same sport, event and sport class. Substitute athletes must have met the qualification criteria for the respective event(s), and must also have signed the IPC Eligibility Code Form. In addition, the athlete's NPC must have submitted an Accreditation Application Form for the substitute athlete by the deadline of 20 April 2012.

Substitutions may only be made for athletes who withdraw due to injury, illness or other special circumstances, prior to completion of the Sport Entries sign-off conducted during the NPC's DRM. Regardless of the situation, all substitutions are subject to final review and approval by the IPC. Absolutely no substitutions will be permitted after the DRM.

NPCs must complete an Official Substitution Application Form, which will be available on request through the LOCOG Sport Entries team, for any proposed substitution between the Final Entries deadline (6 August 2012) and their DRM. NPCs must return the completed form to the LOCOG Sport Entries team for consideration and processing.

Full details on all aspects of the sport entries process, including information on the procedures if an athlete's sport class changes during the Classification Evaluation Period, are available in the London 2012 Paralympic Games Sport Entries Manual.

Classification

The purpose of the Paralympic sport classification system is to minimise the impact of impairment on the outcome of competition, so that the athletes who succeed in competition are those with the best anthropometry, physiology and psychology and who have enhanced them to best effect through hard training and quality coaching. To achieve this, athletes are grouped into classes according to how much their impairment impacts on their sport-specific performance.

It is the collective responsibility of each athlete and their NPC, through the Chef de Mission and the relevant team officials, to be informed about and comply with all classification policies and procedures relating to the London 2012 Paralympic Games and each IPSF's classification rules. Each NPC is also responsible for ensuring that international classification resulting in a sport class status of Review or Confirmed is obtained for all athletes who are intending to participate in the London 2012 Paralympic Games. NPCs are responsible for verifying the classification status of their athletes before their Delegation Registration Meeting (DRM) in London, on the basis of the Classification Master List published by the relevant IPSF.

For sport-specific information on classification procedures at the London 2012 Paralympic Games, see p26. For full details on all aspects of classification at the Games, refer to the London 2012 Paralympic Games Classification Guide, which is available for download from The Exchange (<https://theexchange.london2012.com>).

Clothing and equipment

Clothing and equipment used by athletes and other participants in the Wheelchair Basketball competition at the Paralympic Games must comply with the documents listed below:

- IWBF Official Wheelchair Basketball Rules (available at iwbf.org)
- IWBF Regulations: Section H – Governing the Use of Advertisement (available at iwbf.org)
- IPC Handbook (available at paralympic.org)
- IPC Manufacturer Identification Guidelines for the London 2012 Paralympic Games (available at paralympic.org)

IPC Manufacturer Identification Guidelines for the London 2012 Paralympic Games

One of the key factors that differentiate the Paralympic Games from other sporting events is the visual presentation of the Games, which includes the 'look' of the participants, the venues and the field of play.

Pursuant to the IPC Handbook, section 1, chapter 3 (Paralympic Games Principles), no form of publicity or propaganda, commercial or otherwise, may appear on persons, sportswear, accessories or, more generally, on any article of clothing or equipment whatsoever worn or used by persons participating in the

Paralympic Games, except for the identification of the manufacturer of the article or equipment concerned, provided that such identification shall not be marked conspicuously for advertising purposes.

An authorised identification may only be used in compliance with the terms of the IPC Handbook, the IPC Manufacturer Identification Guidelines for the London 2012 Paralympic Games (distributed by the IPC to all NPCs and IPSFs) or as further approved in writing by the IPC. The IPC reserves the right to prohibit the use of any authorised identification on any given item in order to ensure the spirit of the principles of the IPC Handbook and the IPC Manufacturer Identification Guidelines for the London 2012 Paralympic Games are respected.

Below, please find the sport-specific guidelines from the IPC Manufacturer Identification Guidelines for the London 2012 Paralympic Games. However, all NPCs are strongly advised to refer to the complete IPC Manufacturer Identification Guidelines document for detailed information and instruction on the rules governing clothing, shoes, accessories, sporting equipment and mobility equipment at the Games.

Sport-specific information (from IPC Manufacturer Identification Guidelines)	
Clothing	
T-shirt/undershirt, shorts, singlet, tracksuit	One identification of the manufacturer per clothing item will be permitted, to a maximum size of 20cm ² .
Accessories	
Towel, socks, armband	One identification of the manufacturer per accessory item will be permitted, to a maximum size of 6cm ² .
Headgear	One identification of the manufacturer per accessory item will be permitted, to a maximum size of 6cm ² and placed above either one of the ears.
Eyewear	One identification of the manufacturer per accessory item will be permitted, placed on one of the arms and to a maximum size of 6cm ² ; alternatively, two identifications of the manufacturer will be permitted, placed one on each arm and to a maximum size of 3cm ² each.
Equipment	
Bag, braces	One identification of the manufacturer per equipment item will be permitted, not greater than 10% of the surface area of the item, to a maximum size of 60cm ² .

Shoes/footwear	
Shoes	All footwear items may carry the identification as generally used on products sold through the retail trade during the period of 12 months prior to the Games.
Mobility equipment	
Wheelchair	<p>Frame: the identification of the manufacturer may appear in a maximum of two places on the frame and may not exceed 2cm in height and 20cm in length.</p> <p>Cushion: the identification of the manufacturer may appear on the side or both sides of the cushion but must not exceed 30cm² in each instance.</p> <p>Back upholstery: the manufacturer's logo may appear on the back upholstery but must not exceed 30cm².</p> <p>Wheels: one identification of the manufacturer identification may appear on the wheels but must not exceed 12cm².</p> <p>Spoke protectors: the identification of the manufacturer of the specific wheelchair in question may appear on both spoke protectors but must not exceed 12cm² in either instance.</p>

Doping control

Under the direction of the IPC, LOCOG is responsible for implementing the doping control programme during the London 2012 Paralympic Games. The programme will be carried out in accordance with the IPC Anti-Doping Code, and will comply with the World Anti-Doping Code and its relevant International Standards.

Every athlete may be selected to undergo one or more doping control tests during the period of the Paralympic Games, defined here as running from 22 August (the day the Paralympic Village opens) to 9 September (the day of the Closing Ceremony).

Testing selection during the period of the Paralympic Games will be the responsibility of the IPC, and will include both in- and out-of-competition testing through the collection of urine and/or blood samples. Testing will be conducted at Doping Control Stations set up at all competition venues and Villages. All sample analysis will be performed in a WADA-accredited laboratory established for the Games.

Full details of doping control procedures are available in the London 2012 Paralympic Games Doping Control Guide, which may be downloaded from The Exchange (<https://theexchange.london2012.com>). Printed copies of the guide will be available in all Doping Control Stations during the Games. NPCs should also note that a brief guide to doping control procedures will be distributed to all athletes.

Sport information

Sport Information Centre (SIC) and Sport Information Desks (SIDs)

Sport Information Desks (SIDs) are located at all competition venues and at the Sport Information Centre (SIC) in the Paralympic Village. The desks will provide a variety of services to NPCs, as follows:

- The dissemination of general sport information, through sport publications and through discussions with sport-specific staff.
- The distribution of results, draw/start lists and other key competition information, including schedule updates where required.
- The provision of training schedule information and, where available, assistance with booking and changing training sessions.
- The distribution of classification evaluation results and the opportunity for NPCs and Chief Classifiers to submit classification protests and appeals. For full details on classification, please refer to the London 2012 Paralympic Games Classification Guide.
- Assistance with the communication of key information from IPSFs and LOCOG to NPCs.
- Collection of game DVDs.
- Information on transport services.
- Lost and found (SIDs at competition venues only).
- Ordering of Athlete Venue Meals (AVMs; SIC only).
- Team radio frequency checks (SIC only).

The SIC will open on 22 August 2012, the day the Paralympic Village opens, and will be open every day throughout the Games. The opening hours are as follows:

SIC opening hours	
22–23 August 2012	08:00–20:00
24 August – 9 September 2012	07:00–23:00
10–12 September 2012	09:00–18:00

The SID at the Basketball Arena will open on 24 August 2012, and will be open every day until 3 September 2012, apart from 29 August 2012, the day of the Opening Ceremony. The opening hours will be as follows:

Basketball Arena SID opening hours	
24–28 August 2012	08:00–22:00
29 August 2012	Closed
30 August – 3 September 2012	09:00–23:00

The SID at North Greenwich Arena will open on 24 August 2012, and will be open every day until the end of the Wheelchair Basketball competition, apart from 29 August 2012, the day of the Opening Ceremony. The opening hours will be as follows:

North Greenwich Arena SID opening hours	
24–28 August 2012	08:00–22:00
29 August 2012	Closed
30 August – 8 September 2012	09:00–23:30

Info+

Info+, the official Games information system, will go live five days before the Paralympic Games Opening Ceremony. The system will offer a range of content, as follows:

Games results	Competition results viewable by sport, date and country, including entry lists, start lists and additional sport-specific reports
Games news	Flash quotes, media conference highlights, sport previews, news articles, statistics-driven reports, media communications and IPC news
Biographies	Athlete biographies, team profiles, coach profiles and NPC profiles
Medals	Medal standings by sport, overall medal standings, medallists by day and medallists by sport/event
Schedules	Competition and non-competition schedules, including media conferences, IPC activities and the Cultural Olympiad

Background	Historical data, statistics, competition formats and rules, qualification criteria and venue descriptions
Records	World and Paralympic records, including current records, record holders and new or equalled records
Transport	Transport schedules and maps
Weather	Real-time weather conditions and forecasts
Message board	Public forums for internal communication managed directly by authorised Info+ users, including the IPC, LOCOG, NPCs, IPSFs and future Paralympic Games Organising Committees

myInfo+ allows users access to Info+ from their own PC or laptop. Access will be available to users with an account (purchased via Rate Card) wherever there is access to the internet, and will include the same information available at dedicated Info+ workstations. Additional features include user customisation (for example, by sport), message alerts, bookmarking, hyperlinking to other key websites, downloadable results books, the ability to copy and paste information from results and news reports, and portability.

Info+ workstations are available at the following venues:

- NPC offices with delegations of more than 25 people.
- Competition venues in team and athlete areas (note that there will not be Info+ workstations at SIDs, although they will be equipped with a myInfo+ account). At the Basketball Arena and North Greenwich Arena, there will be one Info+ terminal in the Athletes' Lounge.
- The Paralympic Village: the NPC Services Centre, the Polyclinic, the Village Protocol Office, resident centres, the SIC and the Welcome Centre.
- Paralympic Family hotels.

Sport Viewing Room

The Sport Viewing Room (SVR) in the Paralympic Village will provide teams and athletes with coverage of sport competition (where available) for assistance with their training, analysis and preparation. All recordings will be provided on DVDs, and will be issued to NPCs free of charge. The use of this footage has to be in line with the IPC Policy Regarding Filming at, Access to and Use of Paralympic Video Footage and Photography of the London 2012 Paralympic Games for NPCs.

At the SVR, teams may request recordings of sessions in which they and/or their future opponents have participated. Each team will be limited to one copy of each session in which they have an interest. Recordings will be provided as full

sessions only; there will be no facility at the SVR for editing footage within a particular session. NPCs should also note that DVDs will not be provided for events that have already finished, as the SVR facilities are designed to aid training, analysis and preparation for ongoing Paralympic competition.

DVDs of particular sessions should be reserved in advance at the SVR and then collected when available. DVDs may also be available to teams on a walk-in basis, with no advance reservations. However, teams without advance reservations should be aware that there may be delays in supplying DVDs during busy periods. In some instances, footage of a particular session may not be available without an advance reservation.

NPCs may take the DVDs away from the SVR for viewing elsewhere, or they may watch them in the SVR viewing stations. There are two larger viewings stations suitable for use by teams competing in team sports, and up to 10 smaller viewing stations suitable for smaller groups (for example, an athlete and a coach). Viewing stations may also be reserved in advance at the SVR. The length of each reservation will vary by sport based on the general length of competition sessions and the type of footage requested. Any viewing stations not reserved in advance will be available to NPCs without reservations on a walk-in basis.

The SVR will open on 28 August, the day before the Paralympic Games Opening Ceremony, and will be open every day throughout the Games. The scheduled opening hours are as follows:

SVR opening hours	
28 August – 9 September 2012	08:00–23:00
10 September 2012	09:00–18:00

Competition schedule

Changes to the competition schedule will be communicated to NPCs through the Sport Information Centre (SIC) and the SID at the Basketball Arena and North Greenwich Arena. For details of both, see p17. Changes will also appear on Info+.

30 August 2012 (Day 1), Basketball Arena (BBA) and North Greenwich Arena (NGA)		
WB01 10:45–17:00, BBA	10:45–12:30	Men's preliminaries, group A: USA v TUR
	13:00–14:45	Men's preliminaries, group B: JPN v CAN
	15:15–17:00	Men's preliminaries, group B: COL v POL
WB02 10:45–17:00, NGA	10:45–12:30	Men's preliminaries, group A: ESP v ITA
	13:00–14:45	Women's preliminaries, group A: NED v GBR
	15:15–17:00	Women's preliminaries, group B: USA v FRA
WB03 18:30–22:30, BBA	18:30–20:15	Women's preliminaries, group A: AUS v BRA
	20:45–22:30	Men's preliminaries, group A: AUS v RSA
WB04 19:00–23:00, NGA	19:00–20:45	Men's preliminaries, group B: GBR v GER
	21:15–23:00	Women's preliminaries, group B: MEX v CHN
31 August 2012 (Day 2), Basketball Arena (BBA) and North Greenwich Arena (NGA)		
WB05 10:45–17:00, BBA	10:45–12:30	Men's preliminaries, group B: GER v COL
	13:00–14:45	Women's preliminaries, group B: GER v USA
	15:15–17:00	Men's preliminaries, group A: ITA v USA
WB06 10:45–17:00, NGA	10:45–12:30	Men's preliminaries, group B: POL v JPN
	13:00–14:45	Women's preliminaries, group A: GBR v AUS
	15:15–17:00	Men's preliminaries, group A: RSA v ESP
WB07 18:30–22:30, BBA	18:30–20:15	Men's preliminaries, group A: TUR v AUS
	20:45–22:30	Women's preliminaries, group B: CHN v FRA
WB08 19:00–23:00, NGA	19:00–20:45	Women's preliminaries, group A: CAN v NED
	21:15–23:00	Men's preliminaries, group B: CAN v GBR

1 September 2012 (Day 3), Basketball Arena (BBA) and North Greenwich Arena (NGA)		
WB09 10:45–17:00, BBA	10:45–12:30	Men's preliminaries, group A: TUR v ITA
	13:00–14:45	Women's preliminaries, group A: BRA v GBR
	15:15–17:00	Men's preliminaries, group B: JPN v GER
WB10 10:45–17:00, NGA	10:45–12:30	Women's preliminaries, group B: USA v MEX
	13:00–14:45	Men's preliminaries, group A: USA v RSA
	15:15–17:00	Women's preliminaries, group B: FRA v GER
WB11 18:30–22:30, BBA	18:30–20:15	Women's preliminaries, group A: AUS v CAN
	20:45–22:30	Men's preliminaries, group A: AUS v ESP
WB12 19:00–23:00, NGA	19:00–20:45	Men's preliminaries, group B: GBR v COL
	21:15–23:00	Men's preliminaries, group B: CAN v POL
2 September 2012 (Day 4), Basketball Arena (BBA) and North Greenwich Arena (NGA)		
WB13 10:45–17:00, BBA	10:45–12:30	Women's preliminaries, group B: GER v CHN
	13:00–14:45	Men's preliminaries, group A: RSA v ITA
	15:15–17:00	Men's preliminaries, group B: GER v CAN
WB14 10:45–17:00, NGA	10:45–12:30	Men's preliminaries, group B: COL v JPN
	13:00–14:45	Women's preliminaries, group B: MEX v FRA
	15:15–17:00	Women's preliminaries, group A: CAN v BRA
WB15 18:30–22:30, BBA	18:30–20:15	Men's preliminaries, group B: POL v GBR
	20:45–22:30	Men's preliminaries, group A: ESP v TUR
WB16 19:00–23:00, NGA	19:00–20:45	Men's preliminaries, group A: AUS v USA
	21:15–23:00	Women's preliminaries, group A: NED v AUS
3 September 2012 (Day 5), Basketball Arena (BBA) and North Greenwich Arena (NGA)		
WB17 10:45–17:00, BBA	10:45–12:30	Women's preliminaries, group B: MEX v GBR
	13:00–14:45	Women's preliminaries, group B: CHN v USA
	15:15–17:00	Men's preliminaries, group A: ITA v AUS
WB18 10:45–17:00, NGA	10:45–12:30	Men's preliminaries, group B: CAN v COL
	13:00–14:45	Women's preliminaries, group A: GBR v CAN
	15:15–17:00	Men's preliminaries, group B: JPN v GBR

WB19 18:30–22:30, BBA	18:30–20:15	Women's preliminaries, group A: BRA v NED
	20:45–22:30	Men's preliminaries, group B: GER v POL
WB20 19:00–23:00, NGA	19:00–20:45	Men's preliminaries, group A: TUR v RSA
	21:15–23:00	Men's preliminaries, group A: USA v ESP
4 September 2012 (Day 6), North Greenwich Arena		
WB21 10:45–17:00	10:45–12:30	Women's 9th–10th classification game
	13:00–14:45	Women's quarter-final 1
	15:15–17:00	Women's quarter-final 2
WB22 19:00–23:00	19:00–20:45	Women's quarter-final 3
	21:15–23:00	Women's quarter-final 4
5 September 2012 (Day 7), North Greenwich Arena		
WB23 08:30–17:00	08:30–10:15	Men's 11th–12th classification game
	10:45–12:30	Men's 9th–10th classification game
	13:00–14:45	Men's quarter-final 1
	15:15–17:00	Men's quarter-final 2
WB24 19:00–23:00	19:00–20:45	Men's quarter-final 3
	21:15–23:00	Men's quarter-final 4
6 September 2012 (Day 8), North Greenwich Arena		
WB25 08:30–17:00	08:30–10:15	Women's semi-finals: 5th–8th classification
	10:45–12:30	Women's semi-finals: 5th–8th classification
	13:00–14:45	Women's semi-final 1
	15:15–17:00	Women's semi-final 2
WB26 19:00–23:00	19:00–20:45	Men's semi-final 1
	21:15–23:00	Men's semi-final 2
7 September 2012 (Day 9), North Greenwich Arena		
WB27 08:30–17:00	08:30–10:15	Women's 7th–8th classification game
	10:45–12:30	Women's 5th–6th classification game
	13:00–14:45	Men's semi-finals: 5th–8th classification
	15:15–17:00	Men's semi-finals: 5th–8th classification

WB28 19:00–23:30	19:00–20:45	Women’s bronze medal game
	21:15–23:00	Women’s gold medal game
	23:15–23:30	Women’s Victory Ceremony
8 September 2012 (Day 10), North Greenwich Arena		
WB29 13:00– 17:00	13:00–14:45	Men’s 7th–8th classification game
	15:15–17:00	Men’s 5th–6th classification game
WB30 19:00–23:30	19:00–20:45	Men’s bronze medal game
	21:15–23:00	Men’s gold medal game
	23:15–23:30	Men’s Victory Ceremony

Competition: General information



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Team attachés

LOCOG will provide each team with a team attaché who will act as a liaison between the team and the organisers. Team attachés should be available to assist their team at all times. The team attachés are volunteers and teams are kindly asked to treat them with respect and not make any unreasonable requests. Teams will be informed about the identity and contact details of their team attaché before arrival by email.

Pre-competition procedures

Classification Evaluation Period

All athletes with a sport class status of R are required to arrive at the London 2012 Paralympic Games in time to be available for classification during the Classification Evaluation Period for their sport. It is the responsibility of each NPC, through the Chef de Mission, to ensure that athletes listed on the Classification Evaluation Schedule are available and present for classification at the designated time, date and location.

Classification results will be distributed by LOCOG to NPCs at the SIC at the Paralympic Village and at SIDs at the competition venue where evaluation took place. Results will be posted within two hours of the close of the classification evaluation session: results of classification evaluation sessions that end at 12:30 will be posted by 14:30, while the results of classification evaluation sessions that end at 18:30 will be posted by 20:30.

For full details of classification at the Games, including information on protests, appeals and First Appearance principles, please refer to the London 2012 Paralympic Games Classification Guide.

Verification meetings

The verification meetings are scheduled to run from 17:00 until 20:00 on 26 August at the Basketball Arena competition and warm-up courts.

NPCs should allow approximately 15 minutes for the verification meeting for each team. Only one or two members of the team staff are required at this meeting. No athletes should attend. The team must bring with them the IWBF Player ID/Classification Cards and passports (a copy of the passport is acceptable) for all players, a completed IWBF Final Team Entry List, which contains the names of the players, playing numbers, classification, birth dates and IWBF ID numbers, the names of any team staff who are eligible to sit at the bench area (up to seven who must all have a role with the team), and one white and one dark playing shirt. IWBF officials will verify the information presented is accurate and will approve the team. Once the Final Team Entry List is signed by

the team representative and the IWBF representative, it cannot be changed by the team. Classification changes will be made by the Chief Classifier at the appropriate time if necessary.

Technical meeting

Date: 29 August 2012

Time: 10:00–11:00 (approx)

Location: Media Conference Room, Basketball Arena

A team leader or manager from each team must attend and bring the following items:

- One light-coloured uniform top.
- One dark-coloured uniform top.

Agenda topics will include all television timings, including pre-game rundowns, as well as guidelines for mixed zones and any media conferences.

The technical meeting will be led by IWBF Technical Delegate Maureen Orchard. Joanna Sutherland, London 2012 Wheelchair Basketball Manager, will also attend.

Venue orientation/familiarisation

Venue orientation and familiarisation sessions for teams will take place from 24 August. Each team will be allocated a session to train on the field of play for a minimum of one hour. The full schedule will be communicated to teams separately.

Equipment check

IWBF officials will check the competition chairs at the end of team practices on 28 and 29 August.

Competition procedures

Warm-up and call to competition

Time before start of game	Activity	Details
31 minutes	Assemble for team presentation	Teams A and B should enter the corridor to be on standby for entry to the field of play for the first presentation of the teams.

30 minutes	Entry to field of play	Team B will be called to enter the field of play. Team B will use the team bench on the right side of the scorer's table.
		Team A will be called to enter the field of play. Team A will use the team bench on the left side of the scorer's table.
29 minutes	Warm-up starts	Each team's warm-up position should be on the opposite side to its team bench. Basketballs will be available for the warm-up.
12 minutes	Photo session (first game days only)	Teams should line up on the free throw line for the photo session.
10 minutes	Confirmation of starting players	Teams should provide their starting five players to the Commissioner.
9 minutes	Assemble for introductions	Teams should be in the team bench area, ready for the introductions.
8 minutes	Team B player introductions and line-up	
6:45 minutes	Team A player introductions and line-up	
5:30 minutes	National anthems	Team B national anthem.
4:15 minutes		Team A national anthem.
3 minutes	Exchange of gifts	Teams will exchange gifts, followed by the start of the second warm-up.
1:30 minutes	Second warm-up ends	Teams should return to the team benches, and basketballs will be collected and secured.
0:30 minutes	Final pre-game announcements	
0 minutes	Game starts	

Accredited/team seating

An athlete seating area will be provided in the accredited stand.

Non-participating teams may watch games from this area.

Game DVDs

DVDs of each game will be made available to teams. For teams' own games, the DVD will be free of charge, but a small fee will be charged for all other games. Teams will be able to order in advance and will have to pay in advance for games other than their own.

For each game a team plays, the DVD will be available immediately after the game. The DVD of that game will be available for other teams shortly afterwards from the SIC.

Video recording

Any filming at the London 2012 Paralympic Games by NPCs may only be for educational and scouting purposes and needs prior written approval from the IPC. Filming is only allowed from the stands during competition and open training sessions by any person holding an accreditation of the respective NPC. Filming is only allowed with non-professional camera equipment. Filming for scouting purposes may be allowed under the provision specified by the respective IPSF. For more information, refer to the IPC Policy Regarding Filming at, Access to and Use of Paralympic Video Footage and Photography of the London 2012 Paralympic Games for NPCs.

Post-competition procedures

Leaving the field of play

All players and team personnel must follow the directions of staff and stewards and leave the field of play through the mixed zone immediately after the end of each game.

Doping control

Athletes selected for doping control will be notified in person and escorted to the Doping Control Station by an anti-doping chaperone as soon as practically possible after they have finished competing. It is the responsibility of the athlete to remain under continuous observation of the anti-doping chaperone after notification. For details of the doping control programme at London 2012, see p16.

Mixed zone

All competition venues will include a mixed zone, where accredited members of the media, including the official Paralympic News Service (PNS), will interview athletes as they leave the field of play. All athletes must pass through the mixed zone as they leave the field of play, but are not obliged to speak. Coaches of team sports (including Archery) and combat sports who are normally positioned on the field of play will also be required to pass through the mixed zone.

As they leave the field of play, athletes will pass through the mixed zone. Reporters from the PNS will also work in the mixed zone to gather athlete

comments that will then be uploaded to Info+ (see p18) and distributed as flash quotes. These will be available to all accredited people at the Games. All news service reporters will be identified with a bib.

NPC Press Attachés will be permitted to meet their athletes on the pathway of the mixed zone, but this is limited to the press section only. Press Attachés must be wearing their armband (distributed by the IPC) and must abide by the agreed rules of conduct.

Media conferences

During the Paralympic Games, mixed zones will be the primary area for athlete interviews. Media conferences will only be held at competition venues when they make sense editorially and when the media request them. A schedule for media conferences will be maintained on Info+ and myInfo+.

NPC media conferences may also take place in the Main Press Centre (MPC) or the Paralympic Village at any time during the Games, and in competition venues on the day before competition. NPCs must book these media conferences the day before they are scheduled to occur, through the on-site Press Operations team.

For media conferences at the MPC, professional interpreters will be available to provide simultaneous interpretation in English, French, Spanish, Arabic, Chinese, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese and Russian. For medal-round media conferences at competition venues, consecutive interpretation will be provided according to need in a combination of languages from the list above.

Results distribution

Printed results, in the form of selected PRIS outputs, will be available for collection by NPCs from SIDs at competition venues and the SIC in the Paralympic Village. Results for all sports will also be available through Info+; see p18.

Four hours after all competition for a discipline has ended, a Results Book containing all results and competition-related reports for that discipline will be made available for download in PDF form on the LOCOG Results Book FTP site (URL: <http://london2012.ftpstream.com>, username: resultsbooks, password: ResultsBooks12). In addition, a complete Results Book containing the results and competition-related reports for all sports will be made available on the Results Book FTP site on 10 September 2012, the day after the Closing Ceremony. The FTP site will be available until 30 September 2012.

Victory Ceremonies

All Victory Ceremonies at the London 2012 Paralympic Games will occur on or around the field of play. Athlete escorts will be on hand to advise and guide all athletes before, during and after their Victory Ceremony. Athletes who take part in a Victory Ceremony must adhere to the regulations governing both dress and conduct.

Athlete escorts will lead athletes to the podium for the Victory Ceremony, and will provide direction with regard to the procedures that the athletes will need to follow. Flags, mobile phones, cameras, electronic devices, bottles, items of sport equipment, political statements and accreditations will not be allowed on the podium. If any athlete is in possession of any of these items, they must be passed to the Victory Ceremonies producer for the duration of the Ceremony. Similarly, if any items are thrown to an athlete while they are on the field of play and/or the podium, the athlete must pass them to their athlete escort for them to hold during the Victory Ceremony.

After the Victory Ceremony has finished, athletes may be asked to move to a second location in order to provide the media with additional photography opportunities. This will take no more than one minute. After all the photographs have been taken, athlete escorts will lead the athletes to the mixed zone. If any athlete has been notified for doping control, he or she will be in the line of vision of an anti-doping chaperone and will then be chaperoned to the Doping Control Station.

Medals and diplomas

Medals and diplomas will be awarded in each event as follows:

- 1st place: A silver gilt medal and a diploma
- 2nd place: A silver medal and a diploma.
- 3rd place: A bronze medal and a diploma.

Diplomas will be awarded based on the number of participants in each event, as follows:

Participants	Diplomas
6	5 (1st–5th places)
7	6 (1st–6th places)
8	7 (1st–7th places)
9 or more	8 (1st–8th places)

Competition: Venue information



Competition: Venue information

The Wheelchair Basketball competition will be held at two venues: the Basketball Arena, in the Olympic Park, and North Greenwich Arena, close to the River Thames.

Venue facilities and services

The following facilities and services will be available at the Basketball Arena and North Greenwich Arena. For more details on the precise location of these facilities, please refer to the sections dedicated to each venue.

Athletes' Lounge

There is an Athletes' Lounge at both venues, with an information desk, tables, chairs and sofas, TVs and an Info+ terminal. Catering services will also be available.

Catering services

Food and beverage services will be provided for accredited athletes and officials at Athletes' Lounges in competition venues during competition and official training days. All Athletes' Lounges at competition venues will feature a refreshment station serving cold beverages and snacks. The refreshment station will open no more than three hours before the scheduled start of competition and will close no later than one hour after the end of the competition.

Athlete Venue Meals (AVMs)

AVMs will be available for athletes and officials who will be away from the Paralympic Village for competition or training at competition venues for four hours or more. AVMs must be ordered from the Catering desks in the SIC or the NPC Services Centre Catering desks by 22:00, at least 72 hours in advance. The meals will be prepared at the venue for collection from the Athletes' Lounge and will consist of a substantial roll, a composite salad, a fruit yoghurt and glucose sweets.

Changing rooms and showers

Both venues have four changing rooms, with showers and toilets. Teams will be allocated a changing room for that day's game on arrival at the venue.

Doping Control Station

Both venues have a Doping Control Station. For details of doping control at the London 2012 Paralympic Games, please see p16.

Equipment storage

Storage areas for wheelchairs will be available in both venues.

Ice, water and towels

All teams will receive ice, water and towels for each game.

Internet access

Both venues have a limited number of wired ports for use by teams.

Language services

LOCOG Language Services Team Members (LSTM) will provide volunteer interpretation services at competition venues. The LSTMs may be identified by the badge on the sleeve of their uniform specifying the language they speak.

Language services will be covering Amharic, Arabic, Belarusian, Chinese, Croatian, Czech, Dutch, French, German, Hungarian, Indonesian (Bahasa), Italian, Japanese, Korean, Lithuanian, Persian, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Slovak, Spanish, Swahili, Thai, Turkish, Ukrainian and Urdu. The specific languages provided will vary by venue.

NPCs that require language assistance should advise LOCOG staff, who will contact the Deputy Venue Protocol Manager for support. If a LSTM is not available, language assistance will be provided through a 24-hour over-the-phone interpretation service that can be accessed through designated LOCOG staff.

Lost and found

All reports of lost items at the Basketball Arena and North Greenwich Arena should be directed to the SID at both venues. This is also the location to which all found items should be delivered.

Medical services and facilities

Medical services at all competition venues will be provided at athlete medical stations, which are generally close to the field of play. These services will be backed up by services at the polyclinics and the designated Paralympic hospitals.

Medical services in each competition venue will be managed by the Venue Medical Manager. LOCOG's Medical Services teams at each venue will work in line with the IPSF rules for the sport, and will consult with the IPC Medical Committee as required.

Medical services will generally be available from three hours before the start of competition until one hour after competition ends. However, times vary in some venues: please check with the SID or the Venue Medical Manager at the venue for details.

The following services will be provided:

- athlete-dedicated ambulance services
- field-of-play recovery teams
- sports medicine

Full details on medical services at the Paralympic Games are available in the London 2012 Paralympic Games Healthcare Guide, which may be downloaded from The Exchange (<https://theexchange.london2012.com>). Printed copies of the guide will be distributed to all team doctors upon arrival at the Games, and will also be available in all medical facilities.

Mixed zone

The mixed zone at both venues is located at the exit from the field of play and in the corridor immediately flowing away from the field of play.

Sport Information Desk (SID)

Both venues have an SID. For details of the SIDs' opening hours and the services they will provide, please see p17.

Warm-up area

Both venues have one warm-up court available for teams. The court will be divided into two halves by a large curtain. There will be one basket in the normal free throw position and one on the side of the court.

Wheelchair repair centre

There will be wheelchair repair centres in the athlete preparation areas at the Basketball Arena and North Greenwich Arena, which will offer a range of services tailored to the mobility equipment used by the athletes competing at both venues. Technicians will provide basic repairs and spare parts at these repair centres, which are designed to facilitate athletes' readiness for competition. More complex repairs will be referred to the main repair centre in the Paralympic Village.

At both venues, services will be offered every day from one hour before the start of competition at the venue until one hour after competition ends. All pre-competition repairs will only be conducted at the main repair facility in the Paralympic Village.

Competition venues: Basketball Arena

The Basketball Arena is one of the largest temporary venues ever built for the Games. Located in the northern part of the Olympic Park close to the Velodrome and the BMX Track, the venue will have a gross capacity of 12,000 for the Wheelchair Basketball competition.

Key information

Basketball Arena

Olympic Park

London E20 3BB

Estimated journey time from Paralympic Village Transport Mall: 10 minutes

Venue access

Team buses may only be used to transport teams between the Paralympic Village and the competition venue. Teams are scheduled to arrive at the competition venue 90 minutes before the start of each game. For details on change requests, see p53. The athlete load zone is located beside the athlete entrance to the Basketball Arena.

For transport information, see p51.

Field of play

The field of play at the Basketball Arena will contain one court. The court and all equipment will be presented in accordance with the IWBF Official Wheelchair Basketball Rules.

Venue facilities and services

Athletes' Lounge

Athletes will enter the Basketball Arena through the Athletes' Lounge, which is located next to the changing rooms.

Catering services

Catering services will be provided in the Athletes' Lounge.

Changing rooms and showers

There are four identical changing rooms at the Basketball Arena, which are very close to the field of play.

Classification room

A classifiers' office is located in the IPSF area in the Basketball Arena.

Doping Control Station

The Doping Control Station at the Basketball Arena is located very close to the changing rooms.

Equipment storage

Eight wheelchair storage units are located next to the warm-up court.

Internet access

Wired ports are located in the Athletes' Lounge.

Sport Information Desk (SID)

The SID is located in the Athletes' Lounge.

Wheelchair Repair Centre

The repair centre at the Basketball Arena will be operational from 29 August, one day before competition at the venue begins, until 3 September, the final day of competition at the venue.

Venue evacuation and emergency procedures

All personnel will be notified in the event of an evacuation. Please use the nearest available emergency exit route to the appropriate assembly point as directed.

North Greenwich Arena

Originally built as part of London's millennium celebrations in 2000, North Greenwich Arena has since been transformed into a major multi-purpose venue staging concerts, sport and other large events, and will have a gross capacity of 16,500 for the Wheelchair Basketball competition.

Key information

North Greenwich Arena

Millennium Way
London SE10 ODX

Estimated journey time from Paralympic Village Transport Mall: 20 minutes (excluding any security screening time, queuing time or in-venue travel time; please allow up to 15 minutes for this on arrival at the venue)

Venue access

Team buses may only be used to transport teams between the Paralympic Village and the competition venue. Teams are scheduled to arrive at the competition venue 90 minutes before the start of each game. For details on change requests, see p53. The athlete load zone is located beside the warm-up court at the rear of North Greenwich Arena. A corridor for accredited personnel only will lead into the main arena. For transport information, see p51.

Field of play

The field of play at North Greenwich Arena will contain one court. The court and all equipment will be presented in accordance with the IWBF Official Wheelchair Basketball Rules.

Venue facilities and services

Athletes' Lounge

The Athletes' Lounge is located next to the changing rooms and close to the field of play.

Catering services

Catering services will be provided in the Athletes' Lounge.

Changing rooms and showers

There are four changing rooms at North Greenwich Arena, which are very close to the field of play.

Classification room

There is an office for classifiers located close to the athlete changing areas.

Doping Control Station

The Doping Control Station at North Greenwich Arena is located next to the warm-up tent.

Equipment storage

Twenty-two wheelchair storage units are located next to the warm-up court.

Internet access

Wired ports are located in the Athletes' Lounge.

Sport Information Desk (SID)

The SID is located in the Athletes' Lounge.

Wheelchair Repair Centre

The repair centre at the North Greenwich Arena will be operational from 29 August, one day before competition at the venue begins, until 8 September, the final day of competition.

Venue evacuation and emergency procedures

All personnel will be notified in the event of an evacuation. Please use the nearest available emergency exit route to the appropriate assembly point as directed.

Training



Training

Training for the Wheelchair Basketball competition will take place at three full-size courts in two separate locations, all within 30 minutes of the Olympic Park. Two of the courts will be at the Lee Valley Training Centre, a temporary facility that is being built especially for the Games; the other court will be at Hackney Community College. All training equipment will be approved by the IWBF and will comply with the IPC Manufacturer Identification Guidelines.

Allocation of training sessions

Training facilities will be available to teams from 22 August, the day the Paralympic Village opens, until 8 September. Teams will be pre-assigned training slots each day by LOCOG on a strict rotational basis. The schedule will be sent to teams in advance and will be available on Info+ for teams on arrival.

Training regulations

Teams will be allocated training sessions based on the competition schedule. Training sessions will be 90 minutes and teams will be dropped at the relevant training venue up to 30 minutes before their session. Should teams wish to change or cancel a training session, or switch sessions with another team, the Training Session Change Form must be completed, signed and handed in to the Wheelchair Basketball desk in the SIC in the Paralympic Village by 14:00 on the day before the training session in question. Late requests will not be accepted.

Training venue facilities and services

The following facilities and services will be available at both training venues. For more details on the precise location of these facilities, please refer to the sections dedicated to each venue.

Catering services

Refreshment stations for athletes and team officials will consist of unlimited packaged bottled water and isotonic sports drinks, whole fruit, tea/coffee and biscuits/energy bars.

Changing rooms and showers

Each venue has changing rooms and showers. Lockers will not be provided.

Medical services and facilities

Medical services will be provided for athletes at all Games-time training venues during training sessions. The following specialists will be available:

- physiotherapists
- sports massage therapists

For details of the London 2012 Paralympic Healthcare Guide, see p35.

Training venues: Hackney Community College

Key information

Hackney Community College

31 Falkirk Street

London N1 6HQ

Estimated journey time from Paralympic Village Transport Mall: 40 minutes

Venue access

Hackney Community College may be accessed off Falkirk Street. Athletes will be dropped off on Falkirk Street near the venue's entrance. For transport information, see p51.

Training facilities

One full-size court is available at Hackney Community College, complete with scoreboard and 24-second shot clocks.

Other venue facilities and services

Changing rooms and showers

There are two changing rooms located on the lower ground floor, next to the sports hall. Changing rooms will be allocated to teams on arrival at the venue.

Lee Valley Training Centre

Key information

Lee Valley Training Centre

Lea Bridge Road

London E10 7QL

Estimated journey time from Paralympic Village Transport Mall: 15 minutes

Venue access

Lee Valley Training Centre may be accessed off Lea Bridge Road. Athletes will be dropped off in the parking area in front of the venue's entrance. For transport information, see p51.

Training facilities

Two full-size training courts are available at Lee Valley Training Centre, complete with scoreboards and 24-second shot clocks.

Other venue facilities and services

Athletes' Lounge

Catering services at Lee Valley Training Centre are located in the Athletes' Lounge.

Changing rooms and showers

There are four changing rooms located on the same level as the field of play. Changing rooms will be allocated to teams on arrival at the venue.

The Games



Accreditation

The London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games issues a Paralympic Identity and Accreditation Card (PIAC) to each individual participating in the London 2012 Paralympic Games. Each PIAC establishes the identity of its holder.

The diagram shows a sample PIAC card with the following sections and labels:

- Cardholder's photo:** A portrait of a woman.
- Accreditation category:** A red box with the London 2012 Paralympic logo and a green box with the letters 'Aa'.
- Cardholder's information:** Text fields for 'Name SURNAME', 'FUNCTION', and 'ORGANISATION'.
- Registration number and barcode:** A registration number '5000049 - 01' and a barcode.
- Additional privileges:** Three small boxes labeled 'COM', 'IT', and 'TA'.
- Venue and sport access codes:** Two boxes labeled 'AT' and 'PLV'.
- Zone and seating access codes:** A large blue box with the letters 'A', '2', and 'R'.

In accordance with the IPC Handbook and relevant UK legislation, a Pre-Valid Card, along with a passport, will serve as an official entry document to enter the UK between 30 March 2012 and 8 November 2012 with a period of stay not exceeding six months from first entry. No additional entry visa will be required during this period. The Pre-Valid Card will be valid for multiple entries provided it is accompanied on each occasion by a passport.

The PIAC allows access to Paralympic Games venues. Before validation, the PIAC is referred to as a Pre-Valid Card. Once the Pre-Valid Card has been validated, it becomes the official PIAC for the bearer throughout the London 2012 Paralympic Games period. Pre-Valid Cards can be validated only after the completion of your NPC's Delegation Registration Meeting and up until, and including, the day of the Closing Ceremony on 9 September 2012.

Accreditation facilities

During the Paralympic Games, Accreditation Centres in the Paralympic Villages will serve as the primary accreditation service locations for NPC delegations.

Venue Accreditation Help Offices (VAHOs) will be located at strategic locations at official Paralympic venues and provide first point-of-issue resolution, validation of Pre-Valid Cards and re-issuing of lost/stolen cards.

Accreditation facilities			
Facilities	Location	Population	Services
Paralympic Village Accreditation Centre	Welcome Centre	National Paralympic Committees (NPCs)	Card validation, card production, problem resolution, reissuing for lost/stolen card(s)
Paralympic Rowing Village Accreditation Centre	Welcome Centre		
Paralympic Sailing Village Accreditation Centre	Weymouth and Portland		
Paralympic Family Hotel	Grange St Paul's	Paralympic Family, including IPC, IPSF and NPC leadership	Card validation and production, problem resolution, reissuing for lost/stolen card(s)
International terminals	London Heathrow Airport (international terminals)	All	Card validation only
Venue Accreditation Help Offices (VAHOs)	Next to competition venues	All	Card validation and reissuing for lost/stolen card(s)

Accreditation codes

Sport/Discipline and Venue codes and pictograms printed on the front side of the PIAC indicate access to competition and/or non-competition venues. A full description of the codes is available on the reverse side of the card. Venue zone access rights are printed on the PIAC using colour and alphanumeric codes.

Venue zone codes	
Zone code	Description
Blue (colour)	Competition areas (field of play), administrative and operational areas
Red (colour)	Administrative and operational areas
2	Athlete preparation area
4	Press areas
5	Broadcast areas
6	Paralympic Family Lounges

There is also a White Zone area at competition venues where accredited persons may circulate. All of the aforementioned codes grant access to the White Zone areas.

Paralympic Village codes	
Zone code	Description
R	Paralympic Village Residential Zone

The Paralympic Village pictogram automatically grants access to the Paralympic Village Plaza.

Lost, stolen or damaged cards

Every lost, stolen or damaged accreditation card must be reported to the nearest accreditation facility, where it will be cancelled in the accreditation system. A new card will be issued on presentation of a request for accreditation card replacement.

Team Welcome Ceremonies

The Team Welcome Ceremonies (TWCs) are the official welcome to all NPCs participating in the London 2012 Paralympic Games and will take place in the Paralympic Village Plaza from 22 to 28 August 2012. The ceremonies will act as a 'celebratory moment' at the beginning of the Games to welcome all the athletes, delegates and guests. Each TWC will involve up to four NPCs and will last no more than 30 minutes.

Opening and Closing Ceremonies

Opening Ceremony

The London 2012 Paralympic Games Opening Ceremony will be held at the Olympic Stadium on 29 August 2012 at 20:30. The pre-show will begin at 20:12 and the Athlete Parade will start at 20:45.

Athletes and team officials will make their way from the Paralympic Village to the Olympic Stadium. The distance from the Paralympic Village exit to the entrance of the Olympic Stadium is approximately 1.5km. LOCOG will provide transport services from the Paralympic Rowing Village and the Paralympic Sailing Village to and from the Paralympic Village.

All athletes and team officials participating in the Paralympic Games are eligible to march in the Opening Ceremony. LOCOG will check the accreditation of athletes and team officials on departure from each Paralympic Village and again before entering the Olympic Stadium.

NPCs will enter the Olympic Park and make their way to a queue zone in protocol order of the Athlete Parade. Athletes and NPC team officials will enter the stadium, parade past the Presidential box and proceed around the field of play in front of the audience before taking their seats to watch the remainder of the ceremony.

For athletes wishing to depart the ceremony before its completion, early departures will be made possible at appointed times. Athletes and NPC team officials will return to the Paralympic Village by making their way along the same route used for entering. Athletes and NPC team officials leaving after the completion of the ceremony will also make their way along this same route. Transport services for the Paralympic Rowing Village and the Paralympic Sailing Village will also be provided.

Closing Ceremony

The London 2012 Paralympic Games Closing Ceremony will be held at the Olympic Stadium on 9 September 2012. Athletes will enter the stadium from 19:45 before the show starts at 20:30 but there will be no official parade. Athletes will make their way from the Paralympic Village to the Olympic Stadium on the same route as for the Opening Ceremony.

Parading athletes and officials

Under no circumstances may participants in the Opening or Closing Ceremonies display any form of publicity or propaganda – commercial, political or otherwise – on any item worn, or in any other manner that is visible on camera. Participants may not use cameras or handheld video recorders during the parade. The use of mobile phones by athletes and officials during the Ceremonies is also strictly prohibited.

Ticketing

During their own discipline's competitions, athletes and officials may access the athletes' stand without a ticket upon presentation of their PIAC.

Different Discipline Spectating Athletes (DDAs) and officials

LOCOG is offering a limited number of complimentary tickets to the A stand in competition venues for all sports other than Sailing in Weymouth and Portland. Please contact your NPC for further details on how these can be requested, but please also remember that there are a limited number of tickets and capacity is restricted.

DDA transport to venues

See p54.

Athlete Family and Friends (AF&F) tickets

LOCOG has set aside approximately 35,000 tickets specifically for sale to the family and friends of athletes who are participating in the London 2012 Paralympic Games. The sale and distribution of tickets is the responsibility of NPCs, who will be able to explain further the sales process.

Two tickets will be made available per competing athlete per session with the exception of Swimming, where only one ticket may be offered because of the high number of participating athletes and the venue capacity.

Ticket box offices

Ticket box offices will be situated in the Olympic Park and at all other venues in close proximity to the venue access control area (entrance). Box offices will

usually open 90 minutes before the beginning of the first session in their vicinity and will close between 30 and 60 minutes after the end. There will also be a ticket box office in the Paralympic Village Plaza from 22 August to 9 September 2012, open from 09:00 to 21:00.

Paralympic day passes

Day passes give entry to multiple venues/arenas within a precinct/venue on a specific day, enabling a spectator to view several different Paralympic sports. Access to a specific session in a venue/arena is based on availability and is therefore not guaranteed. Day passes will be available for the Olympic Park (five venues, six sports), ExCeL (five arenas, six sports) and The Royal Artillery Barracks (two sports).

Ticket touting

It is a criminal offence to resell London 2012 tickets in a public place (including online) or in the course of business (this includes anything as a result of which a person makes or aims to make a profit) without the authorisation of LOCOG. This law applies in the UK but is also intended to apply to activities that take place overseas. Please make your team members aware of this offence. The offence is enforced by the police in the UK, and LOCOG will not be able to assist if the rules are breached.

Transport

A summary of transport at the Games follows. Please note that full details of transport services at the Games, including timetables, may be found on Info+ and in the Athlete Transport Guide.

Athletes/NPC transport system (TA)

During the London 2012 Paralympic Games, the TA system will provide transport services for athletes and NPC team officials and their accompanying baggage and personal sport equipment, from 22 August until 11 September 2012.

TA system privileges are available to Aa, Ab, Ac, Am, Ao and As accredited persons. P-accredited training partners and personal coaches are not permitted to use the TA system.

Frequency-based or scheduled TA services

Services will run on a regular frequency, or in accordance with a schedule published on Info+ or in the Athlete Transport Guide.

- Arrivals from London Heathrow Airport (LHR) to the Paralympic Village will run on peak and off-peak frequency based on Arrivals and Departures System (ADS) data.

- Departures to LHR from the Paralympic Village will be scheduled after reconfirmation of flight details at the NPC Service Centre Arrivals and Departures desk.
- Arrivals and Departures from LHR to the Paralympic Rowing Village, Paralympic Sailing Village and Grooms' Accommodation will be scheduled according to ADS data.
- Competition and training.
- Internal Village Transport Service (IVTS) at the Paralympic Village and Paralympic Rowing Village.
- Opening Ceremony.
- Different Discipline Spectating Athletes (DDAs) to certain venues where sharing competition service is not available.

Pre-bookable services

The following services are only available if pre-booked in accordance with the following table:

Pre-bookable services			
Service		Bookable by	Bookable at
Inter-Village Connection Service	Between the Paralympic Village and the Paralympic Rowing Village; and between the Paralympic Village and the Paralympic Sailing Village	16:00 the day before travel *	Transport desk
Team sports	New services	12:00 the day before travel	Sport-specific desks at Sport Information Centre, Paralympic Village
	Change of service		
	Cancellation of service		

* Service will be replaced by an Opening Ceremony service on 29 August 2012.

Team sports – pre-bookable service

Each team will be able to book an allocated vehicle with driver(s) that will be available from 22 August 2012 to operate according to a pre-agreed schedule for use during the training and competition period and ceasing no longer than 24 hours after the team's final match.

Team buses will be equipped with a Vehicle Access and Parking Permit (VAPP), which will allow access to the PRN and their official accommodation sites and respective sport training and competition venues.

Team vehicle policies

- Team vehicle VAPPs are not transferable to a non-LOCOG vehicle.
- Team vehicles may only be utilised by accredited team members.
- Team vehicles may only be driven by LOCOG-provided drivers.
- Team vehicles may only be used for travel between a team's official accommodation site(s) and their respective competition and training venue(s)
- For the purposes of athletes and team officials spectating at their sport, team vehicles may only be used if more than 50 per cent of the competing athletes and team officials wish to travel to the venue. Otherwise, they would be expected to make their own way to the venue, use a service for spectating athletes or use an NPC-dedicated vehicle.
- Team vehicles may not access different sport competition venues for spectating. Athletes and NPC team officials would be expected to walk to Olympic Park venues, use a service for spectating athletes, use an NPC-dedicated vehicle or take public transport.
- Schedule changes may only be requested by the team leader, manager or accredited team representative.
- Team vehicles will normally remain at the venue during training sessions and competition.
- At Olympic Park venues, team vehicles may be required to stage remotely and will be called to the TA load zone by the Venue Bus Team Leader when scheduled.
- Team vehicles and drivers may differ from day to day, but the vehicle type will remain the same.
- Team vehicles will not start loading until the full team is present at the designated team holding area located within the Paralympic Village Transport Mall.
- All kit and equipment should be carried on the team vehicle.

Teams based at the Paralympic Village

Teams will first meet their assigned team vehicle and driver in the Paralympic Village Transport Mall following prior confirmation of the team's schedule. Requests for a new service, a change or cancellation of service can be made at the Sport Information Centre (SIC) by 12:00 the day before travel.

TA system loading and unloading

TA services will use load zones in the Paralympic Village Transport Mall except for the following services, which will operate from the Welcome Centre:

- Arrival services
- Off-peak departures before 10 September 2012
- Inter-Village Connection Service (IVCS)
- DDA-dedicated services

Scheduled competition and training services from the Paralympic Village Transport Mall

In principle, competition services will start three hours before competition and finish two hours after competition. Training services are scheduled in line with the training requirements of individual sports. All schedules will be available on the Info+ system and in the Athlete Transport Guide. Estimated journey times do not include any security screening times, any queuing time or, where applicable, in-venue times. Please allow up to 15 minutes for this on arrival at the venue.

Scheduled services for spectating athletes

LOCOG encourages all spectating athletes to walk to Olympic Park venues from the Paralympic Village. An accessible shuttle bus will also operate to all competition venues in the Olympic Park. For most other venues in London, both same discipline and Different Discipline Spectating Athletes (DDAs) are permitted to travel on the scheduled competition services to the venue. Priority will always be given to competing athletes and in many cases public transport will offer a more efficient travel alternative, particularly on return journeys where spectator exits and transport may be much closer to spectator seating areas than the athletes load zone back of house.

For North Greenwich Arena and for Eton Dorney, where DDAs will not be able to travel on the teams' vehicle or take any competition service from the Paralympic Village Transport Mall, there will be a separate DDA service available from the Paralympic Village Welcome Centre to a front-of-house load zone. There will be one departure and return time per session. The table below gives details of the DDA services, along with public transport information. Please note that public transport travel times do not include any queueing or waiting times.

DDA services from Paralympic Village Welcome Centre for team sports		
	Wheelchair Basketball at North Greenwich Arena	Rowing at Eton Dorney
DDA service dates	30 August – 8 September	31 August – 3 September
Estimated journey time	20mins	1hr 30mins
Vehicle type	Single deck bus	Coach
Public transport	London Underground	Underground, train and shuttle bus
Estimated travel time	15mins	110mins

Paralympic Route Network (PRN)

The Paralympic Route Network (PRN) is a network of roads linking all competition and official non-competition venues. The PRN will help to ensure that the Paralympic Family is able to travel efficiently between venues and accommodation while also keeping other traffic on the roads moving.

Core routes

The PRN core routes include the main roads between central London and the Olympic Park, and heading south to competition venues such as North Greenwich Arena and ExCeL. Games lanes will be available on significant portions of the core routes from 06:00 to 00:00 from 28 August to 11 September 2012.

Venue-specific routes in London

Measures in place on routes to other venues across London will operate on days when training and competition is taking place. Routes will typically be operational from 07:00 to 19:00 but times may vary in accordance with the event schedule.

Venue-specific routes outside London

Measures in place on routes to other venues located outside London (Eton Dorney and Brands Hatch) and in Weymouth and Portland will operate as and when the event schedule requires. Further information on the PRN may be found on the Transport for London (TfL) and London 2012 websites:

- tfl.gov.uk/corporate/projectsandschemes/18196.aspx
- london2012.com/olympic-route-network/home.html

Marathon

Due to the Marathon event taking place at The Mall on 9 September 2012, some PRN roads will be closed off to traffic. Alternative routes will be in place.

Public transport

For help planning the quickest and easiest route to your destination, go to tfl.gov.uk/journeyplanner. This handy planner also allows you to search for the most accessible routes – for instance, avoiding stations with stairs and escalators, or limiting the distance you need to walk. Further assistance is provided by Transport for London's 24-hour information centre, on +44 (0)843 222 1234.

Oyster cards

You should have received an Oyster card with your accreditation. An Oyster card is a contactless electronic travelcard that allows you to travel on London's public transport system during the Games. The card allows you to use the following modes of transport within zones 1 to 6:

- London Underground (tube)
- London buses
- Docklands Light Railway (DLR)
- Trams
- National Rail services within designated zones

This does not include river services (you can get one-third off the cost with your Oyster card).

Your Oyster card is paired with your Games accreditation – you must show your accreditation when asked. The card allows travel from central London to all venues within the Olympic Park, Greenwich, ExCeL and London venues. In addition, you can use the Oyster card to travel to the outer London venues of Eton Dorney and Brands Hatch on competition days.

Using your Oyster card couldn't be simpler, as long as you follow these rules when you see the yellow card reader sign.

- Always touch in and touch out on the yellow card reader.
- When you touch your card on the reader, a green light and one beep means that it has been accepted for travel.
- A red light and two beeps mean your card has been rejected.
- Do not proceed until your Oyster card has been accepted for travel.
- For journeys on all London's buses and trams, you need only touch in when boarding.
- Remember: do not top up your card.

Lost or stolen Oyster cards

The Oyster card that you received with your Accreditation will only be replaced in exceptional circumstances. Lost or stolen cards must be reported by your NPC. The original Oyster card will be cancelled before a new Oyster card can be issued.

London Underground

The London Underground is the quickest way to get around the city. At Games-time, the tube will have extended operating hours, starting at around 05:30 and closing at around 01:30. You shouldn't have to wait longer than five minutes for a train.

To access the tube, simply open the gate by touching your Oyster card on the yellow reader, and then touch out when you have reached your destination. Tube stations that are wheelchair accessible are marked with a wheelchair symbol.

Docklands Light Railway (DLR)

The DLR runs from Bank or Tower Gateway stations to Lewisham, Woolwich Arsenal, Beckton and Stratford. At Games-time, trains will run from 05:30 to 01:30. At DLR stations, Oyster card readers are usually located in the ticket hall or on the platform. The DLR is a fully accessible railway: all stations have a lift or ramp access to the platforms, with level access on to the trains.

London Overground

The London Overground railway links up many of London's interesting neighbourhoods. During Games-time, services will run from around 06:00 to 01:00. Trains run every six to 10 minutes. At London Overground stations, Oyster card readers are usually located in the ticket halls. Wheelchair users should note that access to platforms usually involves using stairs, and that there may be a step of a few inches between the platform and the train.

High speed service

The high-speed rail service will operate extended hours on competition days between St Pancras International and Stratford International stations. Games Family-accredited people with a London 2012 Oyster card can access the service free of charge from 16 August to 12 September 2012.

Buses

London's bus network is a great way to get to know the city. Many bus routes operate 24 hours a day, while others operate a special night service from around 23:00 to 06:00.

On London buses, Oyster card readers are located next to the driver. You only need to touch in once, when you get on the bus. All London buses are low-floor vehicles (excluding heritage bus routes 9 and 15), which means that they are lowered to street level when the bus stops and the doors open. This makes it easier for people with mobility impairments to board and alight. Buses can take a maximum wheelchair size of 70cm in width and 120cm in length.

Water transport

Your Oyster card and Games accreditation will also allow you to receive a one-third discount on standard advertised adult fares on river services provided by KPMG Thames Clippers. All piers are wheelchair accessible. Most riverboats are accessible, and most new riverboats have dedicated wheelchair spaces. Go to thamesclippers.com for full details of the river routes and timetables.

Taxis

Black cabs can be flagged down in the street, picked up at designated taxi ranks or booked over the phone. To flag down a black cab in the street, look out for the illuminated 'For Hire' sign. Fares are metered. All licensed taxis are accessible to people using wheelchairs.

Minicabs are often cheaper than black cabs, but you are not permitted to hail them in the street. Always avoid unlicensed minicabs – if you are taking a minicab, book it over the phone and ensure that it is properly licensed.

For details of recommended black cab and minicab firms, see tfl.gov.uk/gettingaround.

Travel advice

Here are some things to bear in mind when using London’s public transport network:

- Look out when crossing roads – don’t forget cars drive on the left-hand side.
- If you’re travelling by train or tube, stand behind the yellow line on platforms and allow passengers off the train before boarding.
- Move down inside train carriages and buses, allowing others on behind you, and keep everything clear of the doors.
- Stand on the right-hand side of escalators in stations – the left-hand side is for people in a hurry.
- Do not leave your bags unattended at any point on your journey.
- If you see an unattended bag or package, don’t touch it – just let a member of staff or the police know immediately.
- Try to avoid walking alone at night. Keep to well-lit main roads and walking routes.
- Look after your belongings. Make sure your bag is zipped and don’t flash around your mobile phone or other valuables.

Villages

For details of the three Paralympic Villages, see the relevant Village Guide, copies of which are available in residential accommodation at each Village.

Security

LOCOG is working with the UK government and the police to deliver a safe and secure Games that London, the UK and the world can enjoy. LOCOG is responsible for in-venue security, while wider policing plans are delivered by the Metropolitan Police and forces throughout the UK.

LOCOG has worked in partnership with law enforcement agencies to design and implement security systems for each venue, making them as safe and secure as possible. Security measures at venues include security fencing and barriers, perimeter intrusion systems, security lighting, CCTV, hostile-vehicle mitigation, and

police and security patrols. To maintain safety and security, all people, vehicles and goods must be security-screened before they are allowed inside a venue.

As an athlete or team official, you must go through security checks whenever you arrive at a Paralympic venue. These checks will be performed as quickly as possible, in order to allow you to reach your destination in good time. You will go through an accredited lane (these lanes will be signposted), separate from the line that spectators use.

When you first arrive at a venue, you and your belongings will be searched. As part of the security checks at most venues, your bags will be X-rayed and you will be asked to walk through a metal detector. If you arrive in a vehicle, you will be asked to leave the vehicle and will be searched at an Occupant Screening Area (OSA), while the vehicle will be screened at a Vehicle Screening Area (VSA).

Security at the Paralympic Villages

To enter any of the Paralympic Villages during the Games, you must display the correct accreditation and go through security checks. You must go through accreditation and security checks each time you enter a Village, even if you haven't left the Olympic Park (in the case of the Paralympic Village at Stratford).

Security at competition venues

If you arrive at a competition venue on official transport from another secure venue such as any Paralympic Village, you won't need to go through security checks again when you arrive. However, if you arrive at a competition venue by any other means, then you will need to go through security checks.

Security at training venues

Security screening will also be in operation at training venues, for which you will need to display the appropriate accreditation.

Security in transit

LOCOG is working with the police and highway authorities to ensure the safety and security of those travelling between Paralympic venues, training sites and Villages. If you need to travel between venues, you will travel on the designated Paralympic Route Network (PRN). In addition, the Athlete Transport (TA) system buses will be fitted with vehicle-tracking technology, which will allow LOCOG to monitor bus movements and respond accordingly.

If you are travelling between secure venues on TA vehicles using the PRN, you won't have to leave the vehicle for personal screening when you arrive at your destination. However, the vehicles must stop briefly at the VSA for external screening.

If you are returning to the Paralympic Village from a competition or training venue, you will not need to be personally screened during vehicle checks when

entering the Olympic Park. However, you must go through personal screening after you leave the TA system vehicle at the Paralympic Village Transport Mall.

If you need to access or park your own vehicle and have applied for and received the correct parking permits (with the correct parking accreditation) within the secure perimeter of a venue, you will be stopped at the VSA. All passengers must go through personal screening.

Prohibited and restricted items

We want everyone to have a safe and enjoyable Games, so there are rules on what can be brought into Paralympic venues. Below, you will find lists of items that are either prohibited or restricted at London 2012. However, as an athlete or team official, you may be exempt from some aspects of these lists – more information about exemptions may be found below.

Prohibited items

The following items may not be brought into any London 2012 venue:

- Alcohol
- Glass bottles over 100ml
- Liquids, aerosols and gels in quantities larger than 100ml
- More than one soft-sided bag with a 25l capacity (all bags must be able to fit under your seat)
- Tents, placards, spray paint or any other item which could be used to demonstrate within the venue or sabotage property
- Walkie-talkies, phone jammers and radio scanners
- Laser pointers and strobe lights
- Items that are too large to be electronically screened
- Bicycles, folding bicycles, roller-skates and skateboards
- Personal wireless access points and 3G hubs
- Pets or animals (excluding service animals)
- All types of knives and bladed items, including pocket knives and knives carried as part of cultural dress (excluding the Sikh article of faith kirpan/ ceremonial dagger)
- Firearms and ammunition (including replicas, component parts or any device suspected to be a firearm)
- Personal protection sprays such as CS or pepper sprays
- Fireworks, explosives, flares and smoke canisters
- Hazardous and toxic materials
- Offensive weapons or implements such as bayonets, flick knives, extendable batons, sharpened combs, modified belt buckles and loose blades modified into weapons
- Controlled drugs, including substances that resemble controlled drugs
- Items that resemble prohibited items, such as replica guns or hoax explosive devices

Restricted items

The following items may be brought into venues, but their use is restricted to certain conditions:

- Large flags (bigger than 1m x 2m), banners and associated poles
- Oversized hats
- Large, golf-style umbrellas
- Large photographic and broadcast equipment over 30cm in length, including tripods and monopods; please note that the use of photographic or broadcast equipment for commercial purposes is prohibited unless you hold media accreditation
- Balls, rackets, frisbees and similar objects or projectiles
- Excessive amounts of food
- Noisemakers such as hunting horns, air horns, klaxons, drums, vuvuzelas and whistles
- Any objects or clothing bearing political statements or overt commercial identification intended for 'ambush marketing'
- Flags of countries not participating in the Games

Exemptions

As the holder of an athlete or team official accreditation, exemptions may apply to you, and you may carry certain items on this list.

You may bring with you as many liquids, aerosols and gels as you require for personal use. However, you must pass through a back-of-house screening area. If you are entering a venue in an official vehicle, you must take any liquids for personal consumption through an OSA. You may also bring in reasonable amounts of alcohol, as long as it is for personal use.

If you are not an athlete or team official, but hold a full accreditation card or have residential status for any of the Villages, you may carry up to five litres of liquids, aerosols and gels for personal use into the Villages. Alcohol in sealed containers is also permitted within this exemption.

You may also bring any 'tools of the trade' that you need for training or competition. This includes sporting equipment for your sport, along with any tools required to repair or maintain your equipment. All such tools must be security checked at an accredited screening lane, and you must declare the items to security staff before you are screened. Tools of the trade include but are not limited to:

- Multi-tools
- Compressed O₂ and CO₂ for filling tyres
- Matches/lighters for securing string/rope by melting
- Spray adhesive

- Paint thinners/solvents, for cleaning equipment
- Other tools, such as drills, grinders, sanders, polishers, rivet machines and scissors
- Repair materials such as polyester resin, epoxy resin, buffing compounds, paint and small quantities of acetone
- First aid kits, including scissors and tweezers
- Portable, two-part folding medical treatment tables
- Stringing kits, including pliers and awls, for use in racket sports

Requests for emergency assistance

Within venues, police, fire and medical personnel will be always available if you need assistance. When immediate action is required, please call these numbers for police, fire or medical emergencies.

Inside the Olympic Park

- Emergencies: 0300 2012 222
- Non-emergencies: 020 3 288 5858 or 020 3 288 5901
- Health (non-emergency): 0300 2012 111

Outside the Olympic Park

- Emergencies: 999
- Non-emergencies: 101

When calling for emergency assistance:

- Know your location.
- Tell the call taker whether you require the police, fire, or ambulance.
- Be prepared to answer questions.
- Do not programme emergency numbers into any telephone. Speed dials can lead to accidental emergency calls.
- For non-English speakers, knowing the language you speak and knowing key words in English such as 'police', 'fire' and 'ambulance' will help speed up the process.

Recycling

London 2012 has the inspiring ambition to host the first ever Zero Waste Games, with no Games waste being sent to landfill. To make this happen, we all need to play our part, so please recycle.

Recycling at the Games is simple. On all packaging, you will find one of these three recycling symbols or a coloured mark:



These symbols show you which of the three coloured bins to use for your rubbish. Simply match the symbol to the colour of the bin.

Green bins

Plastic bottles, plastic trays and tubs, newspapers, magazines and drinks cans should be put into the green bins.

Orange bins

All food and specially designed compostable food packaging found in the Village should be put into the orange bins to be made into compost. Old flowers and torn clothing should also be put into the orange bins.

Black bins

All unrecyclable and 'if-in-doubt' items, such as crisp packets and sweet wrappers, should be put into the black bins.

London 2012

London in 2012

Population: 7,556,900, estimated in 2007 (UK: 61,792,000)

Official language: English

Currency: pound sterling

Local time: at Games time, Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) +1hr, also known as British Summer Time (BST)

Area: 1,579 sq km (UK: 243,610 sq km)

Latitude and longitude: 51°30'26" N, 00°07'39" W

Altitude: 20m

Government: Greater London Authority (london.gov.uk)

London, then and now

Londinium, the first recorded settlement on the site of the modern-day city, was established almost 2,000 years ago by the Romans, shortly after their invasion in AD 43. The Romans were eventually replaced by the Anglo-Saxons, who called their settlement Lundenwic; and then, in the 11th century, by the Normans, led by William the Conqueror.

London expanded dramatically beyond the old city walls in the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries, despite regular outbreaks of the plague and other major

catastrophes such as the Great Fire of 1666. As the British Empire grew during the prosperous 19th century, so did London: between 1801 and 1901, its population spiralled from around one million to 6.5 million. The first half of the 20th century brought two world wars and plenty of other challenges, but the Olympic Games in 1948 heralded a revival in the city's fortunes.

Today, London's heritage is visible everywhere, from the few remaining parts of the Romans' defensive wall to the world-famous dome of St Paul's Cathedral. However, London is also a truly modern city, a product of today as much as of 2,000 years of history. It is one of the world's most important financial and commercial centres, but it is also an artistic and cultural hub. It is a city in which 500-year-old landmarks sit next to brand new skyscrapers. And it is home to one of the most varied and vibrant populations of any world city, many of whom are now helping to write the current and future chapters of London's epic history.

Climate

London as a whole benefits from a mild to warm climate during the summer months of August and September. Based on statistics from recent years, teams can expect an average daily high of around 20–23°C (68–73°F) in the Paralympic Village, with temperatures falling to a low of around 11–14°C (52–57°F) at night. On average, relative humidity ranges from a minimum of around 60% to a maximum of around 90% during this period. The average monthly rainfall during August and September is 49–57 millimetres; the prevailing winds are from the south-west.

The country's Paralympic heritage

The birthplace of the Paralympic Movement was a small village in the south of England called Stoke Mandeville. On 29 July 1948, the same day as the Opening Ceremony of the London 1948 Olympic Games, Sir Ludwig Guttmann – a German neurologist who had emigrated to Britain in 1939 – organised an archery competition for World War II veterans with spinal injuries in the grounds of Stoke Mandeville Hospital. Four years later, athletes from the Netherlands joined and the international Paralympic Movement was born. The competitions at Stoke Mandeville Hospital were the precursor to the first Paralympic Games, held in Rome in 1960.

The Paralympic Games came to Britain for the first time in 1984, when Stoke Mandeville co-hosted the Games with New York. After New York staged events from 17 to 30 June, the Games came to Stoke Mandeville between 22 July and 1 August, with more than 1,100 athletes competing from 41 countries. Many world and Paralympic records were broken: Denmark's Ingrid Lauridsen and the American Marcia Bevard were the stars of the Games, each winning six gold medals in Athletics and Swimming respectively. At the Stoke Mandeville Games, the Wheelchair Marathon was held for the first time.

Following several years of preliminary study and research, London's bid team for the 2012 Games was formed in 2003, and the bid was officially launched on 16 January 2004. At the 117th IOC Session in Singapore, at 19:46 local time on 6 July 2005, London won the right to stage the Olympic and Paralympic Games in 2012. Just over seven years later, on 29 August 2012, the eyes of the world will be on London, and the Opening Ceremony of the 14th Paralympic Games.

London 2012 Paralympic Games in brief

Sports: 20

Disciplines: 21

Medal events: 503

Athletes: 4,233 (projected)

Competition venues: 19

Days of competition: 11

Competition sessions: 284

Paralympic Village Official Opening: 22 August 2012

Opening Ceremony: 29 August 2012

Closing Ceremony: 9 September 2012

London 2012 competition venues

A total of 20 competition venues will be used at the London 2012 Paralympic Games. These are divided into four zones.

Olympic Park

The Olympic Park is home to seven brand new competition venues that will host more than two-thirds of the 503 Paralympic medal events at London 2012. The venues are as follows:

- **Olympic Stadium:** Athletics
- **Aquatics Centre:** Swimming
- **Basketball Arena:** Wheelchair Basketball, Wheelchair Rugby
- **Copper Box:** Goalball
- **Eton Manor:** Wheelchair Tennis
- **Riverbank Arena:** Football 5-a-side, Football 7-a-side
- **Velodrome:** Cycling (Track)

The Park, which will create a beautiful green backdrop for the Games, will also be home to the International Broadcast Centre/Main Press Centre and the Paralympic Village, which will provide a temporary base for more than 6,000 athletes and officials.

River Zone

A short distance from the Olympic Park, close to the River Thames, the River Zone venues will host more than 100 medal events across 10 sports. The zone is a combination of existing venues (ExCeL, North Greenwich Arena) and temporary venues within London landmarks (Greenwich Park, The Royal Artillery Barracks).

- **ExCeL:** five arenas hosting Boccia, Judo, Powerlifting, Table Tennis, Sitting Volleyball, Wheelchair Fencing
- **Greenwich Park:** Equestrian
- **North Greenwich Arena:** Wheelchair Basketball
- **The Royal Artillery Barracks:** Archery, Shooting

Other London venues

Away from the Olympic Park and the River Zone, central London will stage the Marathon races on the Athletics programme, which will start and finish on The Mall.

- **The Mall:** Athletics (Marathon)

Out of London venues

The 2012 Paralympic Games will travel outside London to three different venues: world-class venues for Rowing and Sailing, and the internationally renowned Brands Hatch motor racing circuit in Kent for the Road Cycling competition. Teams whose competitions are based at Eton Dorney and Weymouth and Portland will benefit from their own Villages, located near to the competition venues.

- **Brands Hatch, Kent:** Cycling (Road)
- **Eton Dorney, Buckinghamshire:** Rowing
- **Weymouth and Portland, Dorset:** Sailing

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The logo for Atos, consisting of the word 'Atos' in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

The logo for Samsung, featuring the word 'SAMSUNG' in white, uppercase letters inside a blue oval.

The logo for Visa, with the word 'VISA' in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

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The logo for Acer, with the word 'acer' in a green, lowercase, sans-serif font.

The logo for Adidas, featuring three black stripes and the word 'adidas' in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

The logo for BMW, a circular emblem with a black outer ring containing the letters 'B M W' and a blue and white checkered center.

The logo for BP, featuring a green sunburst design with the letters 'bp' in a green, lowercase, sans-serif font.

The logo for British Airways, with the words 'BRITISH AIRWAYS' in a blue, sans-serif font and a red and blue swoosh above.

The logo for BT, with the letters 'BT' in a bold, blue, sans-serif font and a colorful globe icon.

The logo for Coca-Cola, with the word 'Coca-Cola' in its signature script font.

The logo for Dow, with the word 'Dow' in a bold, white, sans-serif font inside a red diamond shape.

The logo for EDF, featuring a stylized orange flower-like icon and the letters 'edf' in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

The logo for GE, featuring the GE monogram in a blue circle and the letters 'GE' in a blue, sans-serif font.

The logo for Lloyds TSB, featuring a green and white icon of a horse and rider and the text 'Lloyds TSB' in a blue, sans-serif font.

The logo for McDonald's, featuring the golden arches.

The logo for Omega, with the Greek letter Omega (Ω) above the word 'OMEGA' in a bold, red, sans-serif font.

The logo for Panasonic, with the word 'Panasonic' in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

The logo for P&G, with the letters 'P&G' in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

The logo for Sainsbury's, with the word 'Sainsbury's' in a bold, orange, sans-serif font.

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The logo for Adecco, with the word 'Adecco' in white, lowercase letters inside a red rectangle.

The logo for ArcelorMittal, featuring a stylized red 'A' icon and the text 'ArcelorMittal' in a blue, sans-serif font.

The logo for Cadbury, with the word 'Cadbury' in its signature script font.

The logo for Cisco, featuring a stylized green and blue icon of a bridge and the word 'CISCO' in a green, sans-serif font.

The logo for Deloitte, with the word 'Deloitte' in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

The logo for Thomas Cook, featuring a blue and yellow circular icon with the text 'Thomas Cook' inside.

The logo for UPS, featuring a brown shield with a white 'U' and the word 'ups' in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

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