

International  
**Paralympic**  
Committee

## CANOE

### Medal Events

Male	Female	Mixed	Total
3	3	0	6
<b>Kayak</b> Kayak single (K1) LTA Kayak single (K1) A	<b>Kayak</b> Kayak single (K1) LTA Kayak single (K1) A		
<b>Va'a</b> Va'a single (V1) TA	<b>Va'a</b> Va'a single (V1) TA		

### Athlete Quota

Male	Female	Gender Free	Total
30	30	0	60

### Allocation of Qualification Slots

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

### Maximum Quota Allocation per NPC

An NPC can be allocated a maximum of one (1) qualification slot per medal event. An NPC can obtain a maximum of three (3) male and three (3) female slots.

There must be a minimum of three (3) continents represented in each medal event at the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games.

Should three (3) continents not be represented then the lowest ranked qualified NPC at the 2016 ICF Paracanoe World Championships will lose their slot in the respective medal event and the qualification slot will be given to the highest ranked NPC from another continent not represented in that event. This process will be repeated until three (3) continents are represented in all medal events. Host Country slots will count as representing a continent for qualification slots.



## Athlete Eligibility

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

- be internationally classified either with a 'Confirmed' sport class status or a 'Review' sport class status with a review date after 31 December 2016;
- have competed in the 2015 and/or the 2016 ICF Paracanoe World Championships.

## Maximum Entry per NPC

An NPC may enter a maximum of one (1) eligible athlete in each Kayak single (K1) A medal event.

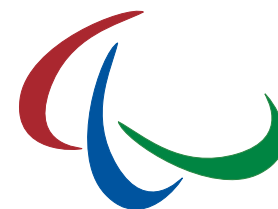
An NPC may enter a maximum of two (2) eligible athletes in the Va'a single (V1) TA medal events of which one (1) athlete must be in sport class TA and one (1) athlete must be in sport class A. Athletes in sport class A must have competed in the Va'a single (V1) TA medal event at a minimum of one (1) ICF-recognised international Paracanoe competition between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016.

An NPC may enter a maximum of two (2) eligible athletes in the Kayak single (K1) LTA medal events of which one (1) athlete must be in sport class LTA and one (1) athlete must be in sport class TA. Athletes in sport class TA must have competed in the Kayak single (K1) LTA medal event at a minimum of one (1) ICF-recognised international Paracanoe competition between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016.

## QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Qualification slots will be allocated as follows:

METHOD	QUALIFICATION	TOTAL
<b>2015 World Championships Qualification Slot(s)</b>	<p>In the Male medal events, the top six (6) ranked athletes in each medal event qualify their NPC for one (1) qualification slot.</p> <p>In the Female medal events, the top six (6) ranked athletes in each medal event qualify their NPC for one (1) qualification slot.</p> <p>An NPC can obtain only one (1) qualification slot per medal event. Any subsequent slot will be allocated to the next highest ranked NPC (not yet qualified).</p>	<p>18 male athletes</p> <p>18 female athletes</p>



<p><b>2016 World Championships Qualification Slot(s)</b></p>	<p>In the Male medal events, the top four (4) ranked athletes in each medal event qualify their NPC for one (1) qualification slot subject to the Host Country not requiring one (1) reserved slot (see below).</p> <p>In the Female medal events, the top four (4) ranked athletes in each medal event qualify their NPC for one (1) qualification slot subject to the Host Country not requiring one (1) reserved slot (see below).</p> <p>An NPC can obtain only one (1) qualification slot per medal event. Any subsequent slot will be allocated to the next highest ranked NPC (not yet qualified).</p> <p>NPCs that have already obtained qualification slots at the 2015 ICF Paracanoe World Championships are not eligible for an additional qualification slot in the respective event(s) at the 2016 ICF Paracanoe World Championships.</p>	<p>11 male athletes 11 female athletes</p>
<p><b>Host Country Allocation</b></p>	<p>The host country directly qualifies one (1) eligible male athlete and one (1) eligible female athlete subject to participation in the 2016 ICF Paracanoe World Championships. Should the host country obtain a minimum of one (1) male and/or one (1) female qualification slot at the 2015 or 2016 ICF Paracanoe World Championships, no host country allocation will take place in addition to the obtained qualification slot(s).</p> <p>The Host Country slots will be taken from the events in which the host country (male and/or female) has had the highest ranked performance at the 2016 ICF Paracanoe World Championships.</p>	<p>1 male athlete 1 female athlete</p>
<p><b>Total</b></p>		<p>30 male athletes 30 female athletes</p>



## **TIMELINE**

August 2015	2015 ICF Paracanoe World Championships, Milan, Italy
30 April 2016	Deadline for Rio 2016 Organising Committee to receive accreditation application forms submitted by NPCs (“Accreditation Long List”)
May 2016, tbd	2016 ICF Paracanoe World Championships
1 June 2016	ICF confirms in writing to the NPCs the allocation of qualification slots
15 June 2016	NPCs confirm to ICF in writing the use of allocated qualification slots
30 June 2016	ICF confirms in writing the reallocation of unused qualification slots
15 August 2016	Deadline for Rio 2016 Organising Committee to receive sport entry forms submitted by NPCs

## **CONFIRMATION PROCESS OF ALLOCATED SLOTS**

By 15 June 2016 each qualified NPC must confirm to the ICF in writing (fax and email are accepted) the qualification slots they will use. NPCs that have not responded by this date will lose their qualification slots, and ICF will reallocate these slots.

By 30 June 2016 the ICF will confirm in writing the reallocation of all unused qualification slots.

By 30 June 2016 it is officially declared that the respective NPCs will use the allocated quotas granted for the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games. Any NPC that does not use all of its allocated qualification slots may be subject to sanctions by IPC and ICF.

## **REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS**

Any unused qualification slot from the 2015 ICF Paracanoe World Championships will be offered to the next highest ranked NPC (not yet qualified) in the respective medal event. Should no ranked NPC be available, the slot will go to the next highest ranked NPC (not otherwise qualified) in the respective medal event at the 2016 ICF Paracanoe World Championships.

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Should no ranked NPC be available to fill all the qualification slots in a particular medal event, then the slot(s) will be reallocated at the discretion of the ICF to the highest ranking NPC (not otherwise qualified) in a medal event of the same gender at either the 2015 or 2016 ICF Paracanoe World Championships.

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