

ICE SLEDGE HOCKEY



VANCOUVER 2010 PARALYMPIC WINTER GAMES

EVENTS (1)	MIXED (1)
	Eight (8) Team Tournament

ATHLETE QUOTA	Total	120* (8 teams x 15 athletes) *Up to 128 athletes depending on the provision of maximum entry per NPC for female athlete inclusion.
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ALLOCATION OF QUALIFICATION	The qualification is allocated to the NPC not the individual athlete or team.
MAXIMUM QUOTA ALLOCATION PER NPC	An NPC can be allocated no more than one (1) team qualification slot.
ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY	Only qualified athletes that meet the sport-specific classification requirements and have a designated classification status will be eligible for entry in the Vancouver 2010 Paralympic Winter Games.
MAXIMUM ENTRY PER NPC	An NPC can enter a maximum of: One (1) men's team comprised of fifteen (15) eligible male athletes; or One (1) mixed team comprised of up to sixteen (16) eligible athletes of whom a minimum of one (1) of the athletes is female.

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM PRINCIPLES

METHOD	QUALIFICATION	TOTAL
2009 IPC ICE SLEDGE HOCKEY WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (TOURNAMENT A) ALLOCATION	The top six (6) ranked NPCs qualify.	6 teams



HOST COUNTRY ALLOCATION	The host country NPC qualifies, subject to having competed in either the 2009 IPC Ice Sledge Hockey World Championships A or B Tournaments. If the host country qualifies through the 2009 IPC Ice Sledge Hockey World Championships, the team qualification slot will be allocated to the highest ranked NPC at the 2009 IPC Ice Sledge Hockey Paralympic Qualifier.	1 team
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METHOD	QUALIFICATION	TOTAL
2009 IPC ICE SLEDGE HOCKEY PARALYMPIC QUALIFIER ALLOCATION	The top ranked NPC qualifies. Please note that only the 7 th and 8 th ranked NPCs from the 2009 IPC Ice Sledge Hockey World Championship Tournament A and the 1 st and 2 nd ranked teams from the IPC Ice Sledge Hockey World Championship Tournament B Pool will be eligible to compete in the 2009 IPC Ice Sledge Hockey Paralympic Qualifier. NPC participation in the 2009 IPC Ice Sledge Hockey Paralympic Qualifier is subject to pre-confirmation of team qualification slot usage in the case of qualification.	1 team
TOTAL		8 teams

QUALIFYING TIMELINE

April/May 2009	2009 IPC Ice Sledge Hockey World Championships Tournament A - TBD
April/May 2009	2009 IPC Ice Sledge Hockey World Championships Tournament B - TBD
October/November 2009	2009 IPC Ice Sledge Hockey Paralympic Qualifier - TBD
13 November 2009 (No later than)	IPC Ice Sledge Hockey confirms to NPCs in writing the team qualification slot allocations
20 November 2009 (No later than)	NPCs confirm to IPC Ice Sledge Hockey in writing the use of team qualification slot allocations
27 November 2009	IPC Ice Sledge Hockey confirms in writing the



(No later than)	reallocation of any unused team qualification slots
1 December 2009	Deadline for Vancouver 2010 Organising Committee to receive accreditation forms from qualified NPCs
26 February 2010	Deadline for Vancouver 2010 Organising Committee to receive sport entry forms from qualified NPCs

DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION SLOTS

By 20 November 2009, NPCs must confirm their participation to IPC Ice Sledge Hockey, in writing (fax and e-mail are accepted). NPCs that have not replied by this date will have lost their team qualification slot, and IPC Ice Sledge Hockey will reallocate the respective slots.

By 27 November 2009, IPC Ice Sledge Hockey will confirm in writing the reallocation of all unused team qualification slots.

By 27 November 2009, it is officially declared that the respective NPC's team will participate in the Vancouver 2010 Paralympic Winter Games. Any NPC that withdraws its team from participation after this date may be subject to sanctions imposed by the IPC.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS

Any team qualification slots that are not used by an NPC will be reallocated to the next highest ranked NPC, not otherwise qualified, from the 2009 IPC Ice Sledge Hockey Paralympic Qualifier. Should all NPCs competing in the 2009 IPC Ice Sledge Hockey Paralympic Qualifier qualify, any team qualification slots that are not used by an NPC will be reallocated to the next highest ranked NPC, not otherwise qualified, from the 2009 IPC Ice Sledge Hockey World Championships Tournament B.

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