

16. GOALBALL

MEDAL EVENTS

Men's	Women's	Mixed/Open	Total
1	1	0	2
Men's 8-team Tournament	Women's 8-team Tournament		

ATHLETE QUOTA

Male	Female	Gender-free	Total
48	48	0	96

Eight (8) teams per gender with six (6) players per team.

ALLOCATION OF QUALIFICATION SLOTS

The qualification slot is allocated to the NPC not to the team or any individual athlete.

MAXIMUM QUOTA ALLOCATION PER NPC

An NPC can qualify no more than one (1) men's team and one (1) women's team, comprising a total of six (6) male and six (6) female qualification slots.

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

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

 be internationally classified in an eligible Sport Class with a Sport Class Status of (i) Confirmed; or (ii) Review with a Fixed Review Date of 2025 or later.

MAXIMUM ENTRY PER NPC

An NPC can enter a maximum of six (6) eligible male athletes for the men's tournament and a maximum of six (6) eligible female athletes for the women's tournament.

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Qualification slots will be allocated in the following order:

METHOD	QUALIFICATION	TOTAL
Goalball World competition each obtain one (1) team qualification slot for their NPC.	· ·	12 male athletes 12 female
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2023/24 The top ranked team (not otherwise qualified) of the men's competition in each of the following	24 male athletes	
Qualifier Allocation		24 female athletes
	In the case that a Region does not host a Championships, the available slots will be allocated via the 2023 IBSA Paralympic Qualification Ranking Tournament Allocation method regardless of region.	
2023 IBSA Paralympic Qualification	The top ranked team (not otherwise qualified) of the men's competition obtains one (1) team qualification slot for their NPC.	6 male athletes
Ranking Tournament Allocation	The top ranked team (not otherwise qualified) of the women's competition obtains one (1) team qualification slot for their NPC.	6 female athletes

Host Country Allocation	The host country directly qualifies one (1) men's team and one (1) women's team.	6 male athletes
	Should the host country achieve any direct team qualification slot at the 2022 World Championships the vacant slot(s) will be allocated via the 2023 IBSA Paralympic Qualification Ranking Tournament Allocation method.	6 female athletes
	Should the host country achieve any direct team qualification slot at their 2023 Regional Championships, the vacant slot(s) will be allocated to the next highest ranked NPC (not otherwise qualified) in that competition.	
Total		48 male athletes
		48 female athletes

TIMELINE

2022, tbd	2022 IBSA Goalball World Championships
June - July 2023 (tbc)	2023 IBSA Goalball Paralympic Qualification Ranking Tournament, TBD
17-26 November 2023	2023 Parapan American Games, Santiago, Chile
OctNov. 2023 (tbc)	2023 IBSA Goalball European Championships (Group A), tbd
OctNov. 2023 (tbc)	2023 IBSA Goalball Asia/Pacific Championships, tbd
OctNov. 2023 (tbc)	2023 IBSA Goalball African Championships, tbd
8 March 2024	IBSA confirms in writing to the NPCs the allocation of team qualification slots from World Championships.
22 March 2024	NPCs confirm in writing to IBSA the use of allocated team qualification slots from World Championships.
25 March 2024	IBSA confirms in writing to the NPCs the reallocation of unused team allocation slots from World Championships.
25 March 2024	IBSA confirms in writing to the NPCs the allocation of team qualification slots from Regional Qualifiers.

8 April 2024	NPCs confirm in writing to IBSA the use of allocated team qualification slots from Regional Qualifiers.
11 April 2024	IBSA confirms in writing to the NPCs the reallocation of unused team allocation slots from Regional Qualifiers.
11 April 2024	IBSA confirms in writing to the NPCs the allocation of team qualification slots from Paralympic Qualification Ranking Tournament.
25 April 2024	NPCs confirm in writing to IBSA the use of allocated team qualification slots from Paralympic Qualification Ranking Tournament.
29 April 2024	IBSA confirms in writing to the NPCs the reallocation of all remaining unused team allocation slots.
TBD	Deadline for Paris 2024 Organising Committee to receive accreditation application forms submitted by NPCs ("Accreditation Long List").
5 August 2024	Deadline for Paris 2024 Organising Committee to receive sport entry forms submitted by NPCs.

CONFIRMATION PROCESS OF ALLOCATED SLOTS

By the dates published herein each NPC must confirm to IBSA in writing (only email is accepted) if they wish to use their allocated slots. NPCs that have not responded by this date will lose their team qualification slots, and IBSA may reallocate these slots.

By the dates published herein IBSA will confirm in writing the reallocation of unused qualification slots.

By 29 April 2024 it is officially declared that the respective NPCs will use the allocated quota for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games. Any NPC that does not use its allocated team qualification slot(s) may be subject to sanctions by IPC and IBSA.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS

Any team qualification slots allocated and not used by the respective NPC will be reallocated to the highest ranked team (not otherwise qualified) at the respective competition where it was obtained. Should the host country not use any of its allocated slots, the slot will be reallocated to the highest ranked NPC (not otherwise qualified) at the 2022 IBSA Goalball World Championships regardless of region.

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