

WORLD PARA SWIMMING - WORLD SERIES 2023 - ADVISORY

1. EVENTS

1.1 Athletes and coaches are advised that all 2023 WPS- World Series entries for British athletes must be submitted by an athletes' national federation (i.e., British Para-Swimming). Therefore, athletes wanting to compete in any World Series Event in 2023 need to formally apply for permission from British Para-Swimming to participate.

1.2 The WPS – World Series 2023 will comprise:

- World Series – Melbourne (AUS) – 17-19 Feb 2023
- World Series – Lignano Sabbiadoro (ITA) – 9-12 Mar 2023
- World Series – Indianapolis (USA) – 20-22 Apr 2023
- World Series – Singapore (SGP) – 29 Apr – 1 May 2023
- World Series – Berlin (GER) – 11-14 May 2023
- World Series – Limoges (FRA) – 26-28 May 2023
- World Series – Tijuana (MEX) – 5-8 Oct 2023
- World Series – Athens (GRE) – 9-12 Nov 2023

The World Series in Sheffield – is incorporated into British Para-Swimming International Meet on the 16-19 March and all programme athletes are required to attend. This is the selection meet for WPS – World Championships 2023.

1.3 British Para-Swimming may select a squad to attend one or more of the World Series Events. If a squad is selected, the size and make up of this squad will be at the discretion of the Para-Swimming Head Coach and Pathway Performance Lead – Para Swimming.

2. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

2.1 Athletes wishing to enter must have a 2023 IPC Licence and must be IPC classified with a: C, R or R with fixed review date status.

2.2 Athletes should apply for permission by:

- i. Sending an email to Sarah Kennedy at sarah.kenedy@swimming.org with the following details:
 - The meet(s) they wish to participate in
 - Reason for attending World Series Event(s)
 - Individual events they wish to enter and their entry time
 - Details of how their participation fits within their performance plan for the 2022/23 season.
- ii. Email requests should be accompanied by a passport scan (photo page) and passport photograph, received **no later than 2 weeks before the closing date** published in the meet information packs.

2.3 All athletes and club personnel are required to complete an International Permit and Clearance Form. The link is <https://www.britishswimming.org/members-resources/international-permits/> This must be submitted no later than 28 days before the start of the event.

2.4 British Para-Swimming is under no obligation to approve requests to participate. You will be notified within 5 working days if your request has been approved

2.5 Athletes not attending as part of a British Para-Swimming selected squad, are advised if their application is approved:

- They will need to make their own logistical arrangements, including travel, accommodation, entry costs etc on a fully self-funded basis
- They will need to attend the World Series Technical Meeting for the respective meet they are attending
- They are responsible for any fines resulting from any infringement of the World Series meet procedures.

There will be no support staff from British Para-Swimming at any event that does not have a selected squad attending.

2.6 The following criteria provides a guide on the performance level that would ordinarily be supported.

- World Class Para-swimming Programme (WCPP) athletes at Podium level to support an IAP goal or as a direct racing opportunity.
- WCPP athletes at Podium Potential as direct racing opportunity (who have previously attended a series event as a squad selection)
- Non-Programme athletes who have achieved the below consideration and have an approved rationale for attendance
- The athletes must have achieved the below minimum World Para Swimming Points in the events they wish to enter since 1st January 2022

Minimum Points for consideration	850 points
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