

CURLING PRELIMINARY NOTICE TO ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES PARALYMPIC GAMES, MILANO/CORTINA 2026 DECEMBER 15, 2023

- TO: All eligible curlers interested in participating in the 2026 Paralympics Games
- FROM: United States Curling Association
- RE: Preliminary Notice to the Athlete Selection Procedure for the Paralympic Games, Milan/ Cortina 2026, Mixed Team

This note is to let wheelchair Curling athletes and the community know more about where we stand with qualification for the 2026 Paralympic Games.

- IPC Approved Qualification System:
 - The 2026 Paralympic Games Qualification System can be found here:
 - NOT YET AVAILABLE FROM IPC/ WCF
- While we are waiting for the formal selection document template from the USOPC as well as the Qualification System approved by the IPC and WCF, we would like to share the basic principles for Paralympic Mixed Team Selection:
 - Athletes interested in being selected to the 2026 Paralympic Mixed Team will come from the pool of athletes named to the 2024/2025 National Team.
 - 2024/2025 National Team Selection Camp
 - April 30- May 2, 2024
 - <u>https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5f34a2ea0d87a44</u> <u>cac1ebfb0/t/658474a2a9722b646b430641/17031794273</u> <u>24/2024-2025+National+Selection+Camp+FINAL.pdf</u>
 - All events and camps throughout the 2024/2025 season will be used as observation opportunities for selection with extra consideration given to performance at the 2025 Wheelchair Mixed Team World Championships, exact dates and location TBD. The team will be announced on or before June 30, 2025.
- If you have any questions, comments or follow ups at all please, contact us. You can reach Katie Baker at <u>katie.baker@usacurling.org</u>