

2016 PARA-ROWING DEVELOPMENT CAMP INFORMATION

The Following Costs are Paid for Selected Developing NF Teams:

- Travel costs to attend the Training Camp and Regatta in Gavirate, Italy.
- Accommodation, meals and equipment during the training camp and regatta.
- International classification of athletes.
- Support from mentor country during in-country training (before and after the camp)
- Seminars during the camp for athletes, including the Proud Paralympian Programme from IPC.
- Workshops for accompanying coaches on subjects such as rigging boats for para-rowers.

The Application Process

Step 1: FISA sends out information and an invitation to participate in October 2015

This email is FISA's invitation

Step 2: Interested National Paralympic Committees/National Federations submit an application (refer attached form)

This step requires applicants to:

- identify potential athletes and coaches
- complete a medical diagnostics form for each athlete, which would be signed by a physician
The forms are available from <http://www.worldrowing.com/para-rowing/> The forms can be downloaded from the bottom of the above FISA para-rowing web page. The FISA Medical Diagnostics Form is for athletes with a physical disability and the VI medical form is for athletes with a vision impairment
- commit to follow a training programme in the lead up to the camp
- demonstrate a commitment to support the program in your home country (e.g. coaching and equipment)
- submit completed application to FISA by **15 November 2015** to:
sastokes@ozemail.com.au
yihuan.chang@fisa.org

Step 3: FISA advises successful federations of their inclusion in the program.

This should take place in December 2015.

Step 4: Participants undertake in-country training with support of mentor Federation.

At this time athletes will be continuing their training program with the support of local coach/es and assistance from a mentor federation.

Countries will at this time also be obtaining visas and making travel arrangements.

Step 5: Training Camp, Gavirate Italy

The camp will be conducted from April 12 to 22. It will conclude with FISA Paralympic Qualification regatta from 20-22 April.

The camp will include:

- training opportunities for athletes
- classification of athletes
- an education program for coaches.

2016 PARA-ROWING DEVELOPMENT CAMP SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicant Criteria

- Medical diagnostic forms and attachments indicate that athletes are likely to meet classification requirements for the selected boat class.
- Potential for country to boat a crew for an eligible Paralympic boat class (ASW1X; ASM1X; TAMix2X; LTAMix4+) A description of these sport classes can be found at Appendix one of the FISA Classification Regulations available for download from the FISA para-rowing webpage.
- Evidence of available coaches and equipment for the athletes, such as ergometers and boats/oars.
- Commitment to a training program and evidence of athletes and coaches participating in regular training.

Global criteria

- NF has not participated previously in Paralympic Games in rowing.
- Consideration will be given to ensuring an overall athletes mix that supports global participation, gender equity and variety in impairments (from mild to severe).