

ATHLETE SELECTION PROCEDURES 2024 PARALMPIC GAMES RECURVE OPEN, COMPOUND OPEN AND W1

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1. SELECTION SYSTEM

To be eligible for nomination to the 2024 Paralympic Games (PAG or, the Games) athletes must meet the following criteria:

- 1.1. Provide the minimum eligibility requirements for an athlete to be considered for selection to the 2024 Paralympic Games team (the Team):
 - 1.1.1. Nationality/Passport requirements:
 - i. Athlete must be a national of the United States at the date of nomination.
 - ii. Athlete must hold a valid U.S. passport that will not expire for six months after the conclusion of the Games.
 - 1.1.2. Minimum International Paralympic Committee (IPC) standards for participation:

Any competitor in the Paralympic Games must be a national of the country of the National Paralympic Committee (NPC) which is entering such competitor. For additional information regarding an athlete who is a national of two or more countries, has changed their nationality or acquired a new nationality, refer to the IPC Handbook (Section 2, Chapter 3.1).

- 1.1.3. Minimum International Federation (IF) standards for participation (if any):
 - i. At the time of nomination, an athlete must be internationally classified in an eligible Sport Class with a Sport Class Status of Confirmed or Review with a Fixed Review Date after **December 31, 2024**. A description of sport-specific classification requirements and current international athlete sport class status can be found on the World Archery website (WA) website at http://www.archery.sport. If an athlete has not met IPC Classification standards, classification must take place prior to the beginning of the Stage #1 Paralympic Trials Qualification Event.
 - ii. All athletes must have achieved one (1) of the following Minimum Qualifying Scores (MQS) for their respective sport class between July 1, 2023, and July 1, 2024. The MQS for eligibility to participate in the Paralympic Games as set forth by WA are:

Sport Class	720 Round Score (70 M or 50M)
Men's Individual W1	590
Men's Individual Compound Open	650
Men's Individual Recurve Open	570
Women's Individual W1	520
Women's Individual Compound Open	620
Women's Individual Recurve Open	530

- iii. The MQS can be shot in any registered United States Archery Team (USAT) event, U.S. Team Trials event or other World Ranking event. A listing of sanctioned events can be found on the USA Archery website at www.usarchery.org.
- 1.1.4. Other requirements (if any):
 - i. Athletes must be members in good standing with USA Archery.
 - ii. Athletes must register and pay for entry into the 2024 Paralympic Games U.S. Team Qualification and Trials Events Stages 1 through 3, and also register and pay for entry into associated USAT events in the appropriate Para category (Recurve Open, Compound Open or W1) by the stated deadlines. If fewer athletes are registered in a Para category for the 2024 Paralympic Games U.S. Team Trials Stages 1 through 3 than quota slots available by the registration deadline, the athletes in that Para category who meet all other eligibility requirements will not need to attend the 2024 Paralympic Games U.S. Team Trials Stages 1 through 3. See Appendix 4.5.2 for athlete nomination process in this situation.
 - iii. Athletes must complete all USOPC Games Registration requirements by stated deadline(s).
 - a. Long List Deadline: March 10th, 2024
 - iv. Any athlete age 18 or older will be required to undergo a background screen in accordance with the current USOPC Background Check Policy.
 - v. Any athlete age 18 or older as of the Closing Ceremony will be required to remain current with the U.S. Center for SafeSport's education and training requirements in accordance with the <u>USOPC Athlete Safety Policy</u>.
 - vi. Athletes must meet all health and safety protocols, to include vaccine requirements and/or testing requirements set forth by the government, USOPC, World Archery and/or the local organizing committee.

1.2. Tryout Events:

- 1.2.1. Provide the event names, dates and locations of all trials, events and camps to be used as part of the selection process.
 - Stage #1 2024 Paralympic Trials Qualification Event: 2024 USAT

Event #1

- Stage #2 2024 Paralympic Trials Qualification Event: 2024 USAT Event #2
- Stage #3 2024 Paralympic Trials Event: 2024 Stand-Alone Event following 2024 USAT Event #2

All event names, dates and locations will be announced at least 45 days prior to the event and will be posted on the USA Archery website at http://www.usarchery.org. As event details are subject to change, athletes are encouraged to regularly check the calendar of events to ensure they are current with any schedule changes. The 2024 Paralympic Trials Qualification Events and Paralympic Trials calendar is published at https://www.usarchery.org/events/national-tournaments/US-archery-team-trials. USA Archery will inform athletes of any changes made that are outside of the 45-day window via email and will also post schedule updates online as soon as the changes are known.

1.2.2 Describe how athletes qualify for the events listed in 1.2.1:

Stages of the Paralympic U.S. Team Trials are described in Appendix A of this document.

The Stage #1 2024 Paralympic Trials Qualification Event will be an open event and athletes will need to meet all necessary registration requirements listed above prior to the start of competition.

- 1.2.2.1 Registration information and deadlines will be posted at www.usarchery.org. If any USA Archery and/or USOPC rules, policies and procedures are updated between stages, athletes will be provided with the relevant documents and will be required to sign an updated intent to compete form, including agreeing to abide by and be bound by those rules, policies, and procedures as a condition of participation.
- 1.3. Provide a comprehensive, step-by-step description of the method that explains how athletes will go through the selection process.

In accordance with the WA Qualification System for Paris 2024, the maximum team size per NPC (i.e., country) for Archery is two (2) qualification slot per individual medal event for a total of six (6) male qualification slots and six (6) female qualification slots. Mixed Teams will be offered at the Games for each category for which one male and one female qualifies (i.e. Recurve Open, Compound Open and W1). Quota places are allocated by WA to the National Paralympic Committee (NPC) and are not tied to the specific athletes who earned the quotas on behalf of their NPC.

In the case of a Bipartite Commission Invitation the slot is allocated to the individual athlete, not the NPC. Please see Section 2 regarding Bipartite Commission Invitations.

The U.S. Team Trials selection process is defined in **Appendix A**, and the number of quota positions per division and gender is dependent on the U.S. qualifying quota slots.

Selections through USA Archery's process that are determined prior to knowing the final Paralympic Team size for the U.S. are considered provisional until WA confirms quotas. The final team size based on quota slots earned will be posted at www.usarchery.org.

2. DISCRETIONARY SELECTION (if applicable)

- 2.1. Provide rationale for utilizing discretionary selection (if any):
 Discretionary selection will only be used if USA Archery intends to submit an application for a Bipartite slot(s).
- 2.2. List the discretionary criteria and explain how they will be used (if any):

USA Archery may, but is not required to, submit an application for a Bipartite slot. The 2024 Paralympic Games Archery Team Selection Committee (Section 2.3) shall be responsible for making any such selection.

The Selection Committee will consider whether there are athlete candidates who: (1) meet the below principles; (2) are capable of a top-three (podium) result; (3) can positively impact team performance; and (4) are considered to be on track to produce a top three (podium) result in the near future.

The IPC and WA allocate bipartite slots based on the principles below (in no priority order):

- Allowing the participation of top athletes who may have not had the opportunity to formally qualify through other methods due to extraordinary circumstances;
- Ensuring the representation of athletes with high support needs;
- Ensuring medal events will have sufficient representation for event viability purposes;
- Enabling greater representation by gender; and/or
- Optimizing the presentation of a particular contest within its competition format or schedule.

USA Archery will use the final results of the 2024 Paralympic Games U.S. Team Trials to select bipartite nominees, if the bipartite submission due date is after the conclusion of the Paralympic Trials event. If the Bipartite nomination deadline is before the 2024 Paralympic Games U.S. Team Trials begin or conclude, USA Archery will select nominees based on the highest ranked athlete in the Para National Ranking System by category as of December 31, 2023.

The final decision of any Bipartite slots will be at the sole discretion of the IPC and WA. USA Archery will disclose on its website the submission of selected athletes for the Bipartite slot(s).

If a Bipartite slot is awarded to an athlete by name, USA Archery will accept such athlete to the 2024 Paralympic Games Team pending USOPC approval. USA Archery will disclose on its website the name of any athlete named to the 2024 Paralympic Games Team through the Bipartite Invitation Allocation Method.

2.3. Provide the name of the committee that will be responsible for making discretionary selections, along with a complete list of the members' titles currently serving on the committee:

The 2024 Paralympic Games Team Selection Committee members include:

- USA Archery CEO
- USA Archery Chief of Sport Performance and Operations
- USA Archery Paralympic Head Coach
- USA Archery USOPC AAC Representative
- USA Archery Para AAC Chair
- 2.3.1 All members of the selection committee must comply with USA Archery's conflict of interest policy, to include completing and submitting a disclosure form for review by USA Archery's Ethics Committee prior to convening the committee. Any member of the selection committee who has an actual, possible, or perceived conflict of interest must disclose it to the USA Archery Ethics Committee prior to the start of the selection process and/or recuse themself from the review process and/or voting. A conflict of interest exists when a personal, family, financial, professional, club, team or business interest of the committee member poses a direct or indirect relationship, connection, or affiliation, past or present, with an athlete in contention for the applicable team selection that could compromise the committee member's ability to participate in the selection process in an unbiased manner. If a conflict exists, the USA Archery's Ethics Committee shall review the conflict and determine the committee member's level of involvement (e.g., whether that committee member must recuse themself from participating in discussions and/or voting). For example, if it is determined that a committee member must recuse themself from voting, the Ethics Committee may still determine that a committee member who has relevant and necessary information with respect to athlete performance, for example a national team coach or high performance director, may, if requested by the selection committee, provide such information to the committee so long as such information is provided in a fair and unbiased manner and so long as the committee member with the conflict of interest does not vote toward the final decision. The committee member must not otherwise influence other members of the committee in the selection process.

Additionally, any person (including any potentially impacted athlete or coach of a potentially impacted athlete) with a good faith belief that a committee member has a conflict of interest may report the alleged conflict of interest to USA Archery's Ethics Committee. Reports may be made anonymously. No committee member shall retaliate in any way against a person who, in good faith, reports an alleged conflict of interest.

Any recused individual shall be replaced in accordance with the USA Archery selection committee appointment process.

3. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES

3.1. Prior to entry by name to the Local Organizing Committee by the USOPC, USA Archery has jurisdiction over potential nominees.

An athlete who is to be nominated to the 2024 Paralympic Games Team by USA Archery may be removed for any of the following reasons, as determined by USA Archery:

- 3.1.1. Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to the USA Archery High Performance staff at highperformance@usarchery.org.
- 3.1.2. Injury or illness as certified by a physician (or medical staff) approved by USA Archery. If an athlete refuses verification of their illness or injury by a physician (or medical staff) approved by USA Archery, their injury will be assumed to be disabling and they may be removed.
- 3.1.3. Failure to participate in Mandatory Training and/or Competition as defined in Section 9 of these procedures.
- 3.1.4. Violation of USA Archery's <u>Intent to Compete Form</u> or USA Archery's <u>Code of Conduct.</u>
- 3.1.5. Removal by the IPC/IF of the event, in which the athlete qualified for the Team from the program of the 2024 Paralympic Games.
- 3.1.6. Change in the athlete's sport class(es) following team selection, such that:
 - The athlete's qualifying performance would not have qualified them for the team; and/or
 - The athlete is deemed Not Eligible (NE) by the IPC/IF.

An athlete who is removed from the Team pursuant to this provision has the right to a hearing per USA Archery's Bylaws, Section 15 and/or the USOPC Bylaws, Section 9 or Section 19 as appropriate.

- 3.2. Once athlete entries have been submitted to the Local Organizing Committee by the USOPC, the USOPC has jurisdiction over the Team, at which time, in addition to any applicable USA Archery Code of Conduct, the USOPC's Games Delegation Terms, including the Behavior Pledge and Code of Conduct and Grievance Procedures apply. The USOPC's Code of Conduct is included in the Games Forms made available prior to the respective Games; the USOPC's Grievance Procedures can be found at: www.teamusa.org/Footer/Legal/Governance-Documents
- 3.3. An athlete may be removed as a nominee to the Team or from the Team for an adjudicated violation of IPC, WADA, WA, USADA and/or USOPC anti-doping protocol, policies, and procedures, as well as the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, the USOPC Athlete Safety Policy and USA Archery's SafeSport Policy and Background Screen Criteria and Review Policy, as applicable.

4. REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES

- 4.1. Describe the selection and approval process for determining replacement athlete(s) should a vacancy occur:
 - 4.1.1. Should a vacancy occur prior to submission of Entries by Name to the Local Organizing Committee, USA Archery will select the next available eligible athlete based on the final ranking from the selection process described in Appendix A. Replacement athletes must also meet all the requirements listed in Section 1.1.
 - 4.1.2. Should a vacancy occur after submission of Entries by Name to the Local Organizing Committee, providing replacements are allowed, USA Archery will select the next available eligible athlete based on the final ranking from the selection process described in Appendix A. Replacement athletes must also meet all the requirements listed in Section 1.1.

5. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

USA Archery will retain the approved Selection Procedures and all supporting documents, including scouting or evaluation forms, etc., and data from the selection process for six months past the date of the Closing Ceremony of the Games.

6. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

In addition to the USOPC Code of Conduct, the following documents are required to be signed by an athlete as a condition of nomination to the PAG:

- USA Archery Intent to Compete Form
- USA Archery Athlete Agreement

7. PUBLICITY/DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEDURES

The USOPC approved Selection Procedures (complete and unaltered) will be posted/published by USA Archery in the following location(s):

7.1. USA Archery website: www.usarchery.org

These procedures will be posted as soon as possible, but not more than five business days following notice of approval by the USOPC.

8. DATE OF NOMINATION

Nomination of athletes, including replacements, will be announced to all athletes, and submitted to the USOPC on or before:

July 19, 2024

9. MANDATORY TRAINING AND/OR COMPETITION

The dates, locations and schedules of any mandatory training will be announced to team members through the Para Athlete Stipend and Support Program document and posted at www.usarchery.org at least 30 days in advance of the event, if applicable.

The following training camp is required for the Paralympic Team:

Paralympic Team Prep Camp – Paris, France

Waivers from mandatory training and/or competition for the Paralympic Games are not permitted, unless there are extraordinary circumstances, in which case, a request for an exception will be reviewed and either accepted or rejected by the CEO, Paralympic Head Coach, and the USA Archery USOPC AAC Athlete representative or their alternate, if needed.

10. ANTI-DOPING REQUIREMENTS

Athletes must adhere to all IPC, WADA, WA, USADA and USOPC anti-doping protocols, policies and procedures, as applicable. This includes participation in Out-of-Competition Testing as required by the IPC, WADA, WA, USADA and USOPC rules, as applicable.

11. DEVELOPMENT OF SELECTION PROCEDURES

The following group was responsible for creating these Selection Procedures:

USA Archery CEO, Rod Menzer
USA Archery, Chief of Sport Performance and Operations, Mary Emmons
USA Archery Paralympic Head Coach, Jonathan Clemins
USA Archery USOPC Representative, Jacob Wukie
USA Archery Para AAC Representatives, Kevin Mather and Wendy
Gardner

Once these procedures were developed, the USA Archery Para Athlete Advisory Council (https://www.usarchery.org/about/committees) was provided the document for further review/approval.

12. USA ARCHERY GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

The USA Archery Disciplinary Proceedings and Grievance Policy can be found at: www.usarchery.org.

13. INTERNATIONAL DISCLAIMER

These procedures are based on IPC and/or WA rules and regulations as presently known and understood. Any change in the selection procedures caused by a change in IPC and/or WA rules and regulations will be distributed to the affected athletes immediately. The selection criteria are based on the latest information available to USA Archery. However, the selections are always subject to unforeseen, intervening circumstances, and realistically may not have accounted for every possible contingency.

If any force of nature, or force majeure, should cause the alteration or cancellation of any of the selection events listed in this document, these selection procedures will be revised, pursuant to their resubmission to the USOPC.

14. ATHLETE OMBUDS OFFICE

The Athlete Ombuds Office provides cost-free, independent and confidential advice regarding athlete rights, grievance procedures and any other related guidance pertaining to selection procedures and can assist in mediating disputes between athletes and USA Archery.

To contact the Athlete Ombuds Office:

PHONE: (719) 866-5000

EMAIL: ombudsman@usathlete.org
WEBSITE: www.usathlete.org

15. USA ARCHERY SIGNATURES

I certify that I have read and understand the standards/criteria set by our IF and incorporated those standards/criteria into our Selection Procedures. I further certify that the information provided herein regarding Athlete Selection Procedures represents the method approved by USA Archery.

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
CEO, USA Archery	Rod Menzer	Row Merzen	8/15/23
Chief of Sport Performance and Operations, USA Archery	Mary Emmons	May J. Enmons	8/15/23
USOPC Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*	Jacob Wukie	Jevosh hu Cier	8/15/23

^{*} If the USOPC AAC Representative has delegated authority to the Alternate AAC Representative to sign the Selection Procedures, attach a letter from the AAC Representative indicating the reason he/she has delegated authority.

^{*} Signature by the Athlete Representative constitutes that they have read and understands the Selection Procedures. If the Athlete Representative reads and does not agree with the Athlete Selection Procedures being submitted by USA Archery, they may submit those reasons in writing to USA Archery at highperformance@usarchery.org.

^{*} If, for some reason, a sport does not have an elected USOPC AAC Representative, USA Archery must designate an athlete from that sport to review and sign the Selection Procedures.

Appendix A

2024 Paralympic Games U.S. Team Selection Process

Recurve Open, Compound Open and W1

2024 Paralympic Trials Qualification Events and Paralympic Trials Event Schedules (Subject to Change)

All event names, dates and locations will be announced at least 45 days prior to the event and will be posted on the USA Archery website at www.usarchery.org.

Paralympic Games - U.S. Team (USAT) Qualification Events, 2024 Paralympic Trials Qualification Events and Paralympic Trials Schedule and Format:

- Stage #1 Paralympic Trials Qualification Event: 2024 USAT Event #1
 - o 72 Arrow Round #1
- Stage #2 Paralympic Trials Qualification Event: 2024 USAT Event #2
 - o 72 Arrow Round #2
 - o CUT TO TOP 8
- Stage #3 Paralympic Trials Event: Stand-Alone Event Following 2024 USAT Event
 #2
 - o 72 Arrow Round #3
 - o 7 Round Robin Matches

Archers must compete in all stages of the 2024 Paralympic Games U.S. Team selection process to be eligible for team selection except as documented in Section 1.1.4 iii. A Paralympic Trials Qualification Event may be a stand-alone event or combined with another USA Archery event. If a Paralympic Trials Qualification Event is combined with another USA Archery event, any non-Paralympic Trials Qualification Event Elimination Round Matches will not be counted within 2024 Paralympic Games U.S. Team selection process.

1. STAGE #1 PARALYPMIC TRIALS QUALIFICATION EVENT: 2024 USAT EVENT #1

1.1 **72 ARROW ROUND #1**

1.1.1 The 72 Arrow Round #1 will be completed according to WA rules, and ranking points will be allocated to the top 8 (eight) archers according to their ranking at the conclusion of 72 Arrow Round #1. Recurve Open archers will shoot 70m and Compound Open and W1 archers will shoot 50M. 72 Arrow Round #1 Ranking Points will be awarded according to Table 1:

Ranking	Points	
1	5	
2	4	
3	3	
4	2.5	
5	2	
6	1.5	
7	1	
8	.5	

Table 1. 72 Arrow Round #1 Ranking Points Distribution

- 1.1.2 A tie in cumulative score following the 72-Arrow Round #1 for the 8th position will be broken with a single arrow shoot-off, in accordance with WA rule 14.5.2.
- 1.1.3 A tie within the top 8 archers from the 72-Arrow Round #1 will be broken by the total number of 10s followed by the total number of X's.
- 1.1.4 If a tie still exists between two or more archers, the tied archers will receive the same ranking and points associated with that ranking.
- 1.1.5 The next lower ranked archer will receive the ranking **y** places down from the ranking of the tied archers where **y** is the number of archers tied. For example, if three archers tie for 2nd place score with the same number of 10's and X's, then those three archers will receive the 2nd ranking for Qualification Ranking Round # 1 and will receive 4.0 points. The next lower ranked archer would be 5th ranked after 72 Arrow Round #1 and receive 2 points.

1.2 **72 ARROW ROUND #1 BONUS POINTS**

1.2.1 Following the 72 Arrow Round #1, 72 Arrow Round #1 Bonus Points will be awarded according to Table 2.

	TABLE 2. 72 ARROW ROUND #1 BONUS POINTS DISTRIBUTION	
	+2 Points	+1 Points
Recurve Men Open	625	610
Compound Men Open	687	682
W1 Men	656	641
Recurve Women Open	611	596
Compound Women Open	681	676
W1 Women	629	614

1.3 AWARDED POINTS –STAGE #1 PARALYMPIC TRIALS QUALIFICATION EVENT

- 1.3.1 Awarded Ranking and Bonus Points become final following the completion of the Stage #1 Paralympic Trials Qualification Event.
- 1.3.2 Any ties in Cumulative Total Points will remain and will not be broken.
- 1.4.3 An archer's total points from Stage #1 will equal the archer's 72 Arrow Round #1 Ranking Points + 72 Arrow Round #1 Bonus Points. Each archer's total points from Stage #1 will be carried forward to Stage #2.

2. STAGE #2 PARALYMPIC TRIALS QUALIFICATION EVENT: 2024 USAT EVENT #2

2.1 **72 ARROW ROUND #2**

2.1.1 The 72 Arrow Round #2 will be completed according to WA rules, and ranking points will be allocated to the top eight archers according to their ranking at the conclusion of 72 Arrow Round #2. Recurve Open archers will shoot 70m and Compound Open and W1 archers will shoot 50M. 72 Arrow Round# 2 Ranking Points will be awarded according to Table 3:

Ranking	Points
1	5
2	4
3	3
4	2.5
5	2
6	1.5
7	1
8	.5

Table 3. 72 Arrow Round #2 Ranking Points Distribution

- 2.1.2 A tie in cumulative score following the 72-Arrow Round #2 for the 8th position will be broken with a single arrow shoot-off, in accordance with WA rule 14.5.2.
- 2.1.3 A tie within the top 8 archers from the 72-Arrow Rounds #2 will be broken by the total number of 10s followed by the total number of X's.
- 2.1.4 If a tie still exists between two or more archers, the tied archers will receive the same ranking and points associated with that ranking.
- 2.1.5 The next lower ranked archer will receive the ranking **y** places down from the ranking of the tied archers where **y** is the number of archers tied. For example, if three archers tie for 2nd place score with the same number of 10's and X's, then those three archers will receive the 2nd ranking for 72 Arrow Ranking Round # 2 and will receive 4.0 points. The next lower ranked archer would be 5th ranked after 72 Arrow Round #2 and receive 2 points.

2.2 72 ARROW ROUND #2 BONUS POINTS

2.2.1 Following the 72 Arrow Round #2, 72 Arrow Round #2 Bonus Points will be awarded according to Table 4.

	TABLE 4. 72 ARROW ROUND #2 BONUS POINTS DISTRIBUTION	
	+2 Points	+1 Points
Recurve Men Open	625	610
Compound Men Open	687	682
W1 Men	656	641
Recurve Women Open	611	596
Compound Women Open	681	676
W1 Women	629	614

2.3 CUT TO TOP 8 ARCHERS PER GENDER AND DIVISION

- 2.3.1 Following the completion of 72 Arrow Round #2, the Total Points from the Stage #1 and Stage #2 Paralympic Qualification Events will be tabulated.
 - 2.3.1.1 An archer's Total Points will be based on their total cumulative points (a + b)
 - a. Stage 1: 72 Arrow Round #1 Ranking Points + 72 Arrow Round #1 Bonus Points
 - b. Stage 2: 72 Arrow Round #2 Ranking Points + 72 Arrow Round #2 Bonus Points.
 - 2.3.1.2 Awarded Ranking and Bonus Points become final following the completion of the Stage #2 Paralympic Trials Qualification Event.
- 2.3.2 A tie in Total Points following the completion of Stage #2 for the 8th position will be broken by using an Olympic Round Match using Set-System Scoring (for Recurve Open) or a Compound Round Match using cumulative scoring (for Compound Open or W1) to determine if the archer will advance into the Top 8.
 - 2.3.2.1 If more than two archers tie for the 8th position, the two archers with the highest 72 Arrow Round score from the Stage #2 Paralympic Qualification Event will shoot an Olympic Round Match or Compound Match.
 - 2.3.2.2 If more than two archers meet the requirement for the match outlined in 2.3.3.1 above, a single arrow shoot-off will be used to separate the tie and determine the two archers that will shoot the match against each other.
- 2.3.3 Based on Total Points, the field will be cut to the top 8 men and top 8 women per division. Only the top 8 men and top 8 women per gender and division

based on Total Points will proceed to the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials Event. All other archers will be eliminated from the trials process.

- o Any ties in Total Points will remain and will not be broken.
- Total Points from the Stage #1 and Stage #2 Paralympic Qualification Events will be carried over to the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials Event.
 - If an archer who qualifies for the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials Event withdraws prior to the start of 72 Arrow Round #3, the next highest ranked archer from the Total Points standings (2.3.1-2.3.2) will be allowed to compete in Stage #3 and they will retain any respective Total Points.

3. STAGE #3 PARALYMPIC TRIALS EVENT: STAND-ALONE EVENT FOLLOWING 2024 USAT EVENT #2

3.1 **72 ARROW ROUND #3**

- 3.2 If an archer abandons the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials event, USA Archery will bring in the next highest-ranked eligible archer from the total cumulative ranking points to compete in the next round of the Paralympic Trials if present. Any ties for the next highest ranked archer will be broken using the relevant tie breaker from the last completed round from the trials procedures. Tiebreakers must be completed prior to beginning the next stage, or of applicable, the next round of the trials.
 - 3.2.1 The next highest-ranked archer will begin the Paralympic Trials Qualification Events and/or Trials Event with the total cumulative ranking points they earned prior to being eliminated from the selection process.
- 3.3 The 72 Arrow Round #3 will be completed according to WA rules, and ranking points will be allocated to the top eight archers according to their ranking at the conclusion of 72 Arrow Round #3. Recurve Open archers will shoot 70m and Compound Open and W1 archers will shoot 50M. 72 Arrow Round# 3 Ranking Points will be awarded according to Table 5:

Ranking	Points
1	5
2	4
3	3
4	2.5
5	2
6	1.5
7	1
8	.5

Table 5. 72 Arrow Round #3 Ranking Points Distribution

- 3.3.1 A tie in cumulative score following the 72-Arrow Round #3 for the 8th position will be broken with a single arrow shoot-off, in accordance with WA Rules 14.5.2.
- 3.3.2 A tie within the top 8 archers from the 72-Arrow Rounds #3 will be broken by the total number of 10s followed by the total number of X's.
- 3.3.3 If a tie still exists between two or more archers, the tied archers will receive the same ranking and points associated with that ranking.
- 3.3.4 The next lower ranked archer will receive the ranking **y** places down from the ranking of the tied archers where **y** is the number of archers tied. For example, if three archers tie for 2nd place score with the same number of 10's and X's, then those three archers will receive the 2nd ranking for Qualification Ranking Round # 3 and will receive 4.0 points. The next lower ranked archer would be 5th ranked after 72 Arrow Round #3 and receive 2 points.

3.4 72 ARROW ROUND #3 BONUS POINTS

3.4.1 Following the 72 Arrow Round #3, 72 Arrow Round #3 Bonus Points will be awarded according to Table 6.

	TABLE 6. 72 ARROW ROUND #3 BONUS POINTS DISTRIBUTION	
	+2 Points	+1 Points
Recurve Men Open	625	610
Compound Men Open	687	682
W1 Men	656	641
Recurve Women Open	611	596
Compound Women Open	681	676
W1 Women	629	614

3.5 7 ROUND ROBIN MATCHES

- 3.5.1 In the seven Round Robin Matches, each male athlete will shoot against each other male athlete once and each female athlete will shoot against each other female athlete once within their respective divisions (recurve open, compound open or W1).
- 3.5.2 Each Round Robin Match will be conducted using either a Olympic Round Match using Set-System scoring (three arrow ends, 2 minutes per end) for Recurve Open archers or a 15 arrow Compound Match Round with cumulative scoring (three arrow ends, 2 minutes per end) for Compound Open and W1 archers. Timing for three arrow ends will be 2 minutes per end.

- 3.5.3 In divisions with 5 or fewer archers, each archer will shoot against each archer of their gender twice.
- 3.5.4 Ties will be broken using a single arrow shoot-off procedure in accordance with WA rule 14.5.
 - 3.5.4.1 Timing for shoot-offs will be 40 seconds per arrow as per WA rules.
- 3.5.5 Round Robin Match Win Points One point will be awarded for a win and zero points will be awarded for a loss, in each of the seven matches.
- 3.5.6 If an archer withdraws from the Round Robin Matches after competition has commenced but before all matches are completed, all archers will receive a win bonus point for the match shot against the withdrawn archer, regardless of whether they won or lost the match against the withdrawn archer.
 - 3.5.6.1 See 5.4 for information about withdrawing from the event.

3.6 THREE-ARROW END AVERAGE

- 3.6.1 Three Arrow End scores will be recorded for each match against other archers, per category, in Round Robin Matches.
- 3.6.2 Following the seven Round Robin Matches, archers will be ranked and awarded points according to their Three Arrow End Average for their scores shot during the Round Robin portion of the event.
- 3.6.3 The Three Arrow End Average will be rounded to the thousandth place.
- 3.6.4 End scores shot during bye matches will not be calculated in the Three Arrow End Average.
- 3.6.5 Points will be allocated according to the archer's Three Arrow End Average Ranking, as shown in Table 7:

Table 7. Three Arrow End Average Ranking Points Distribution.

Ranking	Points
1	10
2	8
3	6
4	5
5	4
6	3
7	2
8	1

archers who have shot against that archer prior to that archer withdrawing, will have their match score shot against the withdrawn archer count towards their Three Arrow End Average.

- 3.6.6.1 Archers who did not shoot against the withdrawn archer prior to that archer withdrawing will receive a bye and will not score their ends shot in the bye match. These arrows shot in this situation will NOT count toward the archer's Three Arrow End Average.
- 3.6.6.2 See 5.4 for information regarding withdrawing from the event.
- 3.6.7 If a tie exists between two or more archers in the Three Arrow End Average for the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials event, the tied archers will receive the same ranking and points associated with that ranking.
 - 3.6.7.1 The next lower ranked archer will receive the ranking **y** places down from the ranking of the tied archers where **y** is the number of archers tied. For example, if three archers tie for 2nd place score with the same Three Arrow Average, then those three archers will receive the 2nd ranking for the Three Arrow Average and will receive 8 points. The next lower ranked archer would be 5th ranked in the Three Arrow Average and receive 4 points.

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- 4.1 Archers will receive a Final Rank based on their total cumulative points (a + b + c + d):
 - a. 72 Arrow Round #1 Ranking Points + 72 Arrow Round #1 Bonus Points
 - b. 72 Arrow Round #2 Ranking Points + 72 Arrow Round #2 Bonus Points
 - c. 72 Arrow Round #3 Ranking Points + 72 Arrow Round #3 Bonus Points
 - d. Round Robin Match Win Points + Three Arrow Average Points

An archer's Final Rank will determine the order of selection to the Team.

- 4.2 In the event of a tie for any position in the top 4 of the Final Rankings the tie will be broken using an Olympic Round Match using Set-System scoring (three arrow ends, 1 minute 30 seconds per end) for Recurve Open archers or a 15 arrow Compound Round Match with cumulative scoring (three arrow ends, 1 minute 30 seconds per end) for Compound Open and W1 archers.
 - 4.2.1 If more than two archers are tied for a position in the top 4, the two archers with the highest 72 Arrow Round score from the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials event will shoot for the higher-ranking position. For example, if three archers are tied for the 3rd position, the two archers with the highest 72-Arrow Round score from Stage #3 Paralympic Trials Event will shoot a match for 3rd place. The archer with the lowest 72-Arrow Round score from the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials event will be ranked 5th. Matches will be conducted using an Olympic Round Match using Set-System scoring (three arrow ends, 1 minute 30 seconds per end) for Recurve Open archers or a 15 arrow Compound Round Match with cumulative scoring (three arrow ends, 1 minute 30 seconds per end) for Compound Open and W1 archers.

- 4.2.1.1. If more than 2 archers are tied for the highest three-arrow average, a single arrow shoot-off between the archers tied with the highest three-arrow average will be used to separate the tie and determine the two archers that will shoot against each other in the Olympic Round Match or the Compound Round Match. The single arrow shoot off will be repeated until the tie is broken.
- 4.3 In the event of a tie for positions 5th through 8th, the tie will be broken by using the Three Arrow Average from the Round Robin portion of the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials event.
 - 4.3.1 The archer with the higher three arrow average from the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials Event Round Robin Matches will receive the higher final ranking.
 - 4.3.2 If a tie still exists, the archer with the higher 72-Arrow Round Score from the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials Event will receive the higher final ranking.
 - 4.3.3 If a tie still exists, the tie will be broken with a single arrow shoot-off, in accordance with WA rule 14.5.2.
 - 4.4 Upon completion of the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials Event and any necessary tiebreakers the Total Points become final.
 - 4.5 The top 2 male and top 2 female archers in each category from the Paralympic Games U.S. Team trials rankings who meet all eligibility requirements will be nominated to the Team.
 - 4.5.1 In addition, any athlete selected for a Bipartite slot will be nominated to the Team, if applicable. If an athlete is nominated to the Team through a Bipartite award and finishes in first place in the Paralympic Games Trials, the next highest-ranking archer who meets all eligibility requirements will be nominated to the Team.
 - 4.5.2 If a Paralympic Games Trials event was not held for a specific category per Section 1.1.4 iii., USA Archery will select nominees based on the highest ranked athletes in the Para National Ranking System by category as of December 31, 2023.
 - 4.6 Archers nominated to the team must stay for a mandatory meeting immediately following the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials Event awards ceremony.
 - 4.7 If a nominated archer is unable to compete for the Team, USA Archery will nominate a replacement based on the process set forth in Section 4.
 - 4.8 Athletes must maintain their performance level leading up to the 2024 Paralympic Games and participate in mandatory training camps and competitions, if applicable.
 - 4.9 Failure to participate in the mandatory training camps and competitions may result in USA Archery withdrawing the athlete's nomination to the NPC.
 - 4.9.1 If this situation occurs, USA Archery will nominate a replacement athlete based on their 2024 Paralympic Games U.S Team Trials

final rank and compliance with all requirements.

5. MIXED TEAM SELECTION

Where the U.S. is eligible to compete in the Mixed Team event, the highest-ranking male archer and highest-ranking female archer in each division from the 72 Arrow Ranking Round at the 2024 Paralympic Games will be selected to participate in the Mixed Team event. If the highest-ranking male or female archer is unable to compete in the Mixed Team event, the following will provide the priority level for selecting the replacement archer:

- i. The next highest-ranked archer from the 72 Arrow Ranking Round of the 2024 Paralympic Games.
- ii. If two or more archers are tied for the next highest ranking from the 72 Arrow Ranking Round of the 2024 Paralympic Games, the archer with the highest final ranking in the 2024 U.S. Paralympic Games U.S. Team Trials will compete in the Mixed Team event.

6. <u>ADDITIONAL RULES REGARDING U.S. PARALMPIC GAMES U.S. TEAM TRIALS SELECTION</u> PROCESS

- 6.1 WA Rules apply to all components of the 2024 Paralympic Qualification Events and Trials Events.
- 6.2 Archers are responsible for ensuring their scores are correct. If a scoring mistake is discovered after bonus points are awarded, any proposed changes to an archer's score will not be considered.
- 6.3 There will be no equipment failures during round robin matches.
- 6.4 If an archer withdraws from the Stage #3 Paralympic Trials event for any reason other than the reasons listed below or in Section 1.1.4 that athlete may be subject to a Code of Conduct Violation for affecting the outcome of a trials event. The archer may have to appear before the USA Archery Board of Justice for a hearing, which could result in a sanction.
 - 6.4.1 Required military service.
 - 6.4.2 Death in the immediate family. Immediate family is defined as an athletes partner, or the parents, children, stepchildren, fostered or adopted children, brothers, sisters, grandchildren, or grandparents, of either said athlete or partner.
 - 6.4.3 Serious injury or illness preventing the athlete from competing. Serious injury defined as one of the following:
 - i. injury or illness requiring emergency medical treatment where the athlete is hospitalized for one or more days which prevents an athlete from traveling or competing at the event.
 - ii. injury or illness requiring emergency medical treatment where the athlete is treated by a physician and not allowed to compete due to doctor's orders.

Paralympic Trials event, the archer shall be deemed to have abandoned the event.

- 6.6 If an archer abandons any portion of the Stage #3 2024 Paralympic Trials event, the remaining archers will continue to compete with the other remaining archers.
- 6.7 USA Archery event protocol will be followed throughout the course of the selection event.
- 6.8 Archers' results and point totals are final upon the completion of each stage of the 2024 U.S. Team Trials.
- 6.9 The number of quota positions per division and gender is dependent on the U.S. qualifying quota slots per the IPC approved Qualification Guide. Selections through USA Archery's process that are determined prior to knowing the final Paralympic Team size for the U.S. are considered provisional until WA confirms quotas.
- 6.10 In the event the 2024 Paralympic Trials Qualification Events and Trials Event cannot be completed as written due to causes beyond control, including but not limited to acts of God, acts of civil or military authority, epidemics (i.e., COVID-19 or other), war, terrorist acts, riots, insurrections, fires, explosions, earthquakes, nuclear accidents, floods, power blackouts, volcanic action, other environmental disturbances or unusually severe weather conditions, USA Archery reserves the right to modify the 2024 Paralympic Trials Qualification Event and Trials Event format, schedule, dates and locations to ensure the safety of all participants. USA Archery will make reasonable attempts to finish the selection procedures as written on a later date and notify athletes, if applicable.
 - 6.10.1 In the event the Selection Procedures cannot be completed as written due to causes beyond control, USA Archery will name the Team based on the total cumulative points from the last fully completed stage of the 2024 U.S. Team Trials. In accordance with Appendix A 4.5., the top 2 male and top 2 female ranked archers in each category will be nominated to the Team.
 - 6.10.2 If it becomes necessary for USA Archery to modify the event format, schedule, dates and/or locations due to a change in USOPC policies and procedures and/or due to reasons listed in 6.9 above, USA Archery will notify the athletes of the revised format, schedule, dates and locations as soon as possible.