



Move United
Delegation Selection Procedures
2023 World AbilitySport Games
December 1-9, 2023

Move United will use a consistent, fair, and transparent process to select athletes to represent the USA Delegation at World AbilitySport competitions.

Team Selection Requirements

Team Selections are made by members of the Move United staff and the Move United Competition Committee.

Move United in cooperation with National Governing Bodies (NGB) will oversee a Delegation for the 2023 World AbilitySport Games. Move United will manage the Delegation for the following sport: track and field (athletics).

Athletes and staff interested in being a part of the Delegation for track and field must apply in order to be considered for selection.

Athletes and staff wishing to compete in wheelchair fencing at the 2023 World AbilitySport Games should contact USA Fencing.

Minimum Qualifying Standards by Sport

- [Track and Field Standards](#)

Athlete Eligibility Guidelines

- Athletes must be 14 years of age or older by 12/31 of the competition year to apply.
- Athletes must have an eligible physical impairment under the [IPC classification system](#).
- Athletes must achieve required [performance standards](#) in event(s) at least once during the designated qualification period. Qualification period varies and is dependent upon date of World AbilitySport competition.
- Athletes must have 2 or more years of competition experience at the national level, at Move United Sanctioned Competitions, and/or at recognized competitions (ie: USATF, USA Swimming, high school sanctioned events).
- Athletes must be a citizen of the USA.
- 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.
- Any athlete age 18 or older as of the Closing Ceremony will be required to undergo a background screen.

Staff Eligibility Guidelines

- Staff must be 22 years of age or older by 12/31 of the competition year to apply.
- [Assistant team leader](#) must have 2 or more years' experience with management of adaptive sports programs.
- [Coaches](#) must have 2 or more years of coaching experience with para athletes. Coaching experience at the national level or higher is preferred.
- [Medical staff](#) must have a medical background such as a doctor, athletic trainer, or other medical professional and have experience working with para athletes.
- Equipment staff must have experience with repairs on wheelchairs, racing chairs, field chairs, and/or experience with prosthetics.
- All staff will be required to remain current with the U.S. Center for SafeSport's education and training requirements.
- All staff will be required to undergo a background screen.



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Competition Age Divisions

Track and Field

- Juniors: Under 20 (Any athlete between 14 and 19 years of age on 12/31/2023)
- Open: At least 14 years old by 12/31/2023

Application Process

Athletes: There are two parts to the athlete application that must be completed for submission to be considered complete.

- [Part 1 – Completed by the athlete](#)
- [Part 2 – Completed by the athlete's coach](#)

Athletes will provide their top results for events they would like to be considered for team selection. All verified results for each eligible athlete will be given a percentage score comparing the verified result to the Move United standards. An athlete ranking list will be created based upon this percentage with a higher percentage being better than a lower percentage using the following formula:

- Track events: $(\text{Move United Qualifying standard/result}) \times 100$
- Field events: $(\text{result/Move United Qualifying standard}) \times 100$

Staff: Move United will fund the staff to support this delegation.

- [Staff application](#)

Team Size

Move United will field a maximum team size of 22 athletes and 10 staff. A minimum of 12 qualified athletes must apply for a delegation to be named.

Removal of Athletes

An athlete who is to be selected to the team by Move United may be removed for any of the following reasons.

- Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to Move United.
- Injury or illness as certified by a physician (or medical staff). If an athlete refuses verification by a physician (or medical staff) of an known or suspected injury, his/her injury will be assumed to be disabling and he/she may be removed.
- Violation of the Move United Code of Conduct
- An adjudicated violation of IPC, WADA, WPA, WPS, WPPO, USADA and/or USOPC anti-doping protocol, policies, and procedures, as applicable.

Withdrawal from team refund

The initial deposit payment of \$500 is non-refundable. As other team/athlete costs are incurred and paid for by Move United, if these costs are not refundable to Move United, these will be considered non-refundable to an athlete. Move United will make every effort to obtain refunds on all costs for the team/athlete. All refundable monies will be awarded to athlete/family within 60 days after the completion of the World Abilitysport Games.

We recognize there's a Parapan American Games team pending selection. We will take into consideration a refund of the \$500 non-refundable deposit for athletes that are selected to the Parapan American team.



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Supporting Documents

Move United 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 2023 World AbilitySport Games

Required Documents

The following documents are required to be completed by an athlete as a condition of nomination to the 2023 World AbilitySport Games team.

- Delegation Information Form
- Move United Code of Conduct
- Move United Medical Form
- Move United Release of Liability (required) and Media Release (optional)
- Parental Consent Form for Minor Child to Travel (for athletes under 18 years of age)
- Parental Consent Form for Over the Counter Medication (for athletes under 18 years of age)
- Parental Consent Form for Medical Treatment (for athletes under 18 years of age)
- Payment and Refund Policy