



Event Information

About U.S. Paralympics

U.S. Paralympics, a division of the U.S. Olympic Committee, was formed in 2001 to increase support for Paralympics sport in the USA. U.S. Paralympics coordinates the preparation and selection of athletes to U.S. Paralympic Teams, both summer and winter, in conjunction with pertinent National Governing Bodies (NGBs) and other partner organizations. U.S. Paralympics also works with national and locally focused sport organizations that offer Paralympic programs to children and other developing athletes. Through these efforts, U.S. Paralympics promotes Olympic ideals throughout the American population, especially among those Americans who have physical and visual disabilities.

International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Approved Event

The 2016 U.S. Paralympics Team Trials - Track & Field will be hosted as an IPC Approved event. All results will be sent to the IPC for rankings and records verification.

Paralympic Games Team Selection

The 2016 U.S. Paralympics Team Trials - Track & Field will serve as the primary selection event for the Paralympic Games Team Selection. The top ranked athletes from this competition will represent Team USA at the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games.. Selection Procedures are posted on the U.S. Paralympics Track and Field website (link below).

<http://www.teamusa.org/US-Paralympics/Sports/Track-and-Field/Selection-Procedures>

Event Website

www.USParalympics.org/2016TeamTrials

#USParalympicTrials

Competition Venue

Johnson C. Smith University (JCSU)

500 N. Summit Avenue

Charlotte, NC 28216

http://goldenbullsports.com/sports/2009/12/9/GEN_1209093703.aspx?id=18

Internet login: JCSU Guest (password will be provided on-site)

Irwin Belk Complex (4,500) Mondo surface including runways for jumps, pole vault, and javelin

Hampton Inn Uptown Charlotte (Swimming and Track & Field Athletes)

530 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Charlotte, NC 28202

Phone: 704-373-0917, Fax: 704-377-5496

- Self-parking: \$15.00/day (space permitting) Valet parking: \$20.00/day
- Complimentary Wireless High-Speed Internet
- Complimentary Breakfast (6am-10am Monday-Friday and 6am-11am Saturday/Sunday)
- Complimentary Equipment storage provided in first floor meeting room
- Complimentary hotel shuttle (no wheelchair lift) within a 3-mile radius (which includes Romare Bearden Park where the Team Announcement will be held on 3 July)

Group rate: \$149+tax USD/night for king and two queen bedded room (based on availability)

Reservations website:

Note: This hotel will be included in the complimentary track and field competition venue transportation route 28 June – 2 July

Hilton Garden Inn Uptown Charlotte (Swimming and Track & Field USOC Staff)

508 E Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Charlotte, NC, 28202

Phone: 704-347-5972, Fax: 704-377-1519

- Self-parking: \$15.00/day (space permitting) Valet parking: \$20.00/day
- Complimentary Wireless High-Speed Internet
- Breakfast: \$12.95/per person/per day
- Complimentary Equipment storage provided in first floor meeting room
- Complimentary hotel shuttle (no wheelchair lift) within a 3-mile radius (which includes Romare Bearden Park where the Team Announcement will be held on 3 July)

Reservations (while rooms are available) can be made through the Hilton athlete website:

<http://teamusa.hhonors.com/>

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Hilton Charlotte Center City (Media, Marketing, USOC Staff)

222 East Third Street, Charlotte, NC 28202

Reservations (while rooms are available) can be made through the Hilton athlete website:

<http://teamusa.hhonors.com/>

By Plane

Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT)

The airport is conveniently located about seven miles from the Charlotte City Center.

(704) 359-4910

www.charlotteairport.com

By Train

Amtrak provides daily passenger rail service on the North and South lines, which access most of the United States.

(800) USA-RAIL

www.amtrak.com

Greyhound

601 W. Trade St.

Daily service to and from Charlotte is available, with connections to Raleigh, Atlanta, Richmond and more. greyhound.com

Charlotte Airport Ground Transportation

<http://charmeck.org/city/charlotte/Airport/GroundTransportation/Pages/default.aspx>

Public Transportation between Charlotte Airport to/from Hampton Inn Uptown Charlotte:

<https://goo.gl/maps/m2fDDckS5uS2>

Sprinter Bus

This hybrid-electric bus is an easy and affordable way to get from Charlotte Douglas International Airport to Center City, with stops in central locations. It runs every 20 minutes on weekdays and every 30 minutes on nights and weekends. \$2.20 each way. ridetransit.org

Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS) Bus Service

With more than 70 routes across the city and county, CATS buses serve more than 25 million passengers each year. Most operate from 4:49 a.m. to 2 a.m. Monday through Saturday and 5:25 a.m. to 2 a.m. on Sundays. \$2.20 each way; \$3 each way for Express Routes; children under 5 ride free; seniors and youth 5-12 ride for \$1. ridetransit.org

Crown Cab Company

Crown Cab Company operates a mobile app that allows users to book and track their rides on their phones. Its wheelchair accessible vehicles accommodate handicap users. Service is available 24 hours per day, seven days per week and 365 days per year. \$2.50 drop charge (to enter a cab), plus \$0.50 per 1/5 mile and \$0.50 per minute of traffic wait time. 704.334.6666. crowncabinc.com

Passenger Transportation Schedule

Complimentary wheelchair accessible transportation will be provided from the host hotels (Hampton Inn Charlotte Uptown and Hilton Garden Inn Charlotte Uptown) to/from Johnson C. Smith University (JCSU) as outlined below. Transportation is open but the priority is for athletes. Competition equipment will be transferred in a storage vehicle separately from the passenger buses.

June 29-- Training (1 bus)

Depart Hilton Garden Inn/Hampton Inn parking lot to **Johnson C. Smith**

9:00am	3:00pm
10:00am	4:00pm
11:00am	5:00pm

Depart Johnson C. Smith to **Hilton Garden Inn/Hampton Inn**

9:30am	3:30pm
10:30am	4:30pm
Noon	6:00pm

June 30 and July 1—Competition (2 buses)

Depart Hilton Garden Inn/Hampton Inn to **Johnson C. Smith**

8:00am	3:30pm
9:00am	4:30pm
10:00am	5:30pm
11:00am	6:30pm
	7:30pm

Depart Johnson C. Smith to **Hilton Garden Inn/Hampton Inn**

8:30am	4:00pm
9:30am	5:00pm
10:30am	6:00pm
11:30am**	7:00pm
	8:30pm**

****Last bus departs 30 mins. after the last event of each competition session**

July 2—Competition (2 buses)

Depart Hilton Garden Inn/Hampton Inn to **Johnson C. Smith**

1:00pm
2:00pm
3:00pm
4:00pm
5:00pm

Depart Johnson C. Smith to **Hilton Garden Inn/Hampton Inn**

1:30pm
2:30pm
3:30pm
4:30pm
5:30pm***

*****Last bus departs 30 mins. after the last event**

Equipment Transportation Schedule

Competition equipment (i.e., racing chairs, throwing frames, etc.) will be moved from the designated storage areas at the Host Hotels (Hampton Inn Charlotte Uptown and Hilton Garden Inn Charlotte Uptown) to the designated storage area at the Johnson C. Smith Track and Field Stadium as outlined below. Athletes can use the tags in each storage area to mark equipment (blue=Hampton Inn, green=Hilton Garden Inn). Equipment is not allowed to be transferred on the passenger buses.

Transfer Equipment from Host Hotels to Johnson C. Smith

June 29 (training day): 9:00am, 11:00am, 3:00pm and 5:00pm

June 30 and July 1 (competition days): 8:00am and 3:30pm

July 2 (competition day): 1:00pm

Transfer Equipment from Johnson C. Smith to Host Hotels

June 30 and July 1 (competition days): Noon and 9:00pm

July 2 (competition day): 6:00pm

The competition schedule will include only the events projected to be contested at the 2016 Paralympic Games. The competition schedule is posted and will continue to be updated on the event website:

www.USParalympics.org/2016TeamTrials

Implement weigh-in times are included on the competition schedule. **Competition specific equipment is NOT provided--athletes MUST bring and check-in all of their own equipment.**

Athletes should attend packet pick-up the day BEFORE their first event.

Sunday, June 19th

Registration closes at midnight pacific time

Thursday, June 23rd

Final schedule and heat sheets published on the event website

Wednesday, June 29th Competition venue (JCSU)

- Packet Pick-up and Merchandise sales: 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- Training: 9:00am-Noon and 2:00pm - 6:00pm
- Equipment Storage: 9:00am-Noon and 2:00pm - 6:00pm
- Throwing frame and racing chair pre-check: 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Thursday, June 30th and Friday, July 1st Competition venue (JCSU)

- AM and PM competition session
- Packet Pick-up/Merchandise sales/Equipment Storage: one hour before the start of each competition session through the end of each competition session
- Throwing frame and racing chair pre-check: 8:30am - 10:30am and 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Saturday, July 2nd

- Games Team competition uniform try-on (optional): 10:00am - Noon at the Hilton Garden Inn Charlotte Uptown
- Afternoon competition session (JCSU)
- Packet Pick-up/Merchandise sales/Equipment Storage: one hour before the start of each competition session through the end of each competition session (JCSU)

Sunday, July 3rd

- Private Games Team Announcement: 9:00am at the Hilton Charlotte City Center hotel in the Charlotte meeting room (Please note: the private announcement is only open to athletes) Athletes, please note that NBC cameras will have a presence at the private announcement.
- Public Games Team Announcement Celebration: 11:00am at Romare Bearden Park: 300 S Church St, Charlotte, NC 28202 (Please note that the public announcement will be an outdoor set-up. In the event of inclement weather, the public announcement will be moved indoors at the Hilton Charlotte City Center Hotel)
- Games Team competition uniform try-on (optional): 1:00pm – 5:00pm at the Hilton Garden Inn Charlotte Uptown

IPC Licensing and International Classification

All athletes who register for the 2016 U.S. Paralympics Team Trials-Track and Field MUST have an IPC/IF International Classification with an international sport class status of C-Confirmed or R-Review with a review date after Dec. 31, 2016 and hold a current 2016 IPC License.

The list of classification sport class status and License numbers is posted on the IPC Athletics website within the Classification Masterlist: <http://www.paralympic.org/athletics/classification/master-list>

Eligibility

The 2016 U.S. Paralympics Team Trials - Track & Field are open to all U.S. athletes above 14 years of age (age 14 by December 31, 2016) with physical, visual and intellectual disabilities who have met the international classification and licensing requirements as well as the entry standards. Athletes between the ages of 14-19 (may not turn 20 in 2016) are considered “Junior” athletes for the 2016 U.S.

Paralympics Team Trials - Track & Field. The Junior events will be combined with the Elite events. Juniors will throw the adult/open weight implements.

Registration and Credentials

The entry deadline is Sunday, June 19, 2016 at 11:59pm pacific time. **No late entries will be considered and no event changes (add or scratch) or updates will be accepted after the close of registration!**

Athletes must enter and compete in all of the events at the 2016 U.S. Paralympic Team Trials - Track & Field for which they wish to be nominated to the Paralympic Games Team. For example, an athlete must compete in the 100m at the Trials if they want to be considered for nomination in the 100m during Games team selection. In addition, athletes will be considered for nomination to the Games team in all of the events in which they compete at the Trials. For example, an athlete who competes in the 100m, 200m, 400m and Long Jump will be considered for nomination to the team in all four of those events.

The \$55 registration fee (per athlete) includes one Athlete Support credential for the coach designated in the athlete’s registration and (if applicable) one additional Athlete credential for the guide designated in the athlete’s registration. Registration fees are non-refundable.

Registration Form: <https://www.simplyregister.net/register/?e=108464>

Registration Status: <https://www.simplyregister.net/status/?e=108464>

Event Changes

NO EVENT CHANGES (scratch or add) can be made after the close of registration on June 19, 2016. Failure to compete in an event for which an athlete is registered may result in the athlete being disqualified from the remainder of the meet (IPC Athletics Rule 5.3). Scratches will only be accepted for a legitimate and approved medical reason and must be reported to the Clerking/Call Tent in writing as soon as possible but no later than 90 minutes prior to the start of the event.

Awards

Awards will be given to the top three finishers in each event and the top three finishers of the combined events (based on points). The awards tent will be located on the concourse level within the stadium. Awards will be distributed approximately 35 minutes after each event unless a protest is filed for the event. Athletes are responsible for collecting their own medals after their competition.

Bib Numbers

As per IPC Rules, each athlete will receive and is required to wear two bib numbers (except for the high jump). Bibs should be worn as follows:

- Ambulatory track, long jump and throws: front and back of uniform
- Wheelchair track: back of racing chair and athlete's choice of front or back of uniform
- High jump: athlete's choice of front or back of uniform
- Seated throws: throwing frame and athlete's choice of front or back of uniform (if athletes are sharing a throwing frame, both numbers should be attached).

Call/Check-in Times

Electronic devices are NOT allowed in the clerking area/call tent or on the field of play and will be confiscated if used-including cameras, cell phones, MP3/4 players, etc.

- All track events: report to the clerking area/call tent at least 20 minutes prior to the start time of the event (double leg amputee height will be checked at the clerking area/call, tent-double leg amputees must have their running legs on at check-in). It is the responsibility of the athlete to ensure that their racing chair is at the call tent with them at the time of check-in.
- Seated throws: report to the clerking area/call tent at least 15 minutes prior to the start time of the event (throwing frames will be checked at the clerking area/call tent or during the pre-check times outlined on the event schedule). If the throwing frame did not go through pre-check, it is the responsibility of the athlete to ensure that their throwing frame is at the call tent with them at the time of check-in.
- Ambulatory jumps and throws: report to the clerking area/call tent one hour prior to the start time of the event.

Competition Clothing

All clothing worn by competitors in the competition areas must conform to IPC Athletics Regulations.

With the exception of standard manufacturers' equipment identification permitted by the *IPC Manufacturer Identification Guidelines for the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games* (link below), the equipment, uniforms and the bibs/numbers of the competitors and officials at the Trials may not bear any identification or promotional material of any kind (whether commercial or noncommercial). Per the IPC's Guidelines, apparel manufacturers may be identified on garments in the following manner:

- T-shirt, singlet, vest - One Identification of the Manufacturer per item will be permitted, to a maximum size of 30cm². The lettering shall not exceed 4cm in height and the total identification shall not exceed 5cm in height.
- Under garments - No Identification of the Manufacturer shall appear on under garments.

- Lower body attire - One Identification of the Manufacturer per lower body attire will be permitted, to a maximum size of 20cm², with a maximum height of 4cm.
- Leotard/One-piece body suit- One Identification of the Manufacturer on the front of the leotard will be permitted, in a rectangular form to a maximum size of 30cm². The lettering shall not exceed 4cm in height and the total Identification of the Manufacturer shall not exceed 5cm in height.

or

One Identification of the Manufacturer shall be permitted above the waist and one shall be permitted below the waist. Such identifications shall be identical, in rectangular form with a maximum size of 20cm². The lettering shall not exceed 3cm in height and the total Identification of the Manufacturer shall not exceed 4cm in height. However, these Identifications of the Manufacturer shall not be placed immediately adjacent to each other.

- Racing Chairs and Throwing Frames - one logo is allowed on the frame, one logo per rear wheel, no logos on the front wheels. (Heat logo with hair dryer and most will peel off, or cover them with duct tape).

U.S. Paralympics will be responsible for enforcement of this USOC policy at the Trials which includes the competition venues as well as the Games Team Announcement. **Competitor uniforms may bear the name/logo of individual club teams provided the mark is appropriate in size.** Size restrictions shall not apply to uniforms of colleges, universities, or military units or branches whose names do not include any sponsor identification. If you have questions about whether or not your apparel is compliant, please submit a photo to Nora Reilly, at Nora.Reilly@usoc.org.

For U.S. Paralympics Track and Field, equipment and uniforms will be inspected during the final clerking process before competition to ensure compliance. Any violation of the rules may result in consequences up to and including disqualification. We appreciate your attention and understanding to these rules that will be enforced throughout the 2016 U.S. Paralympic Team Trials. These are the same rules that will be enforced at the 2016 Paralympic Games.

https://www.paralympic.org/sites/default/files/document/150903153514306_IPC+Manufacturer+Identification+Guidelines+Rio+2016.pdf

Concessions

Concessions will be available during the dates/times of competition.

Field Events

- Heights for the high jump will be assigned at the event
- Only one assistant of the F11/12, F31-33 and F51-54 classes during their event will be allowed access to the field of play (assistants will be given a vest and should check-in with the athlete and plan to stay in the competition area through the end of the event).
- Athletes with an anatomical limitation exemption from rule 36 (secured throwing technique, lifting and failure) must have it processed by IPC in advance of the competition and must present a copy of the approval at the call tent at the time of check-in where it will be verified

Doping Control (USADA)

All athletes who compete in the 2016 U.S. Paralympics Team Trials - Track & Field are subject to drug testing. Drug testing will be conducted by and will follow all U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) policies and procedures. More information about banned substances and doping control can be found by visiting: www.usada.org. Drug testing will take place in the locker room located on the lower level of the Johnson C. Smith University stadium. If athletes are notified for drug testing they must bring an ID with them and are allowed and strongly encouraged to have one representative to accompany them through the drug testing process.

If athletes are in need of a Therapeutic Use Exemption Form (TUE), be sure to submit that application prior to the Trials. The TUE form can be found on the USADA website: www.usada.org

Emergency Plan

If weather interrupts the competition, everyone in/around the stadium will evacuate to the gymnasium across N Summit Ave. from the JCSU stadium.

Medical

Medical staff, emergency services and first aid will be available at the competition facility during all the hours of training and competition.

Merchandise

Event merchandise will be sold during the times of Packet Pick-up at JCSU (competition venue). Only Cash and VISA credit cards will be accepted for payment.

Parking

Designated event parking (Stadium "A" and "B" lots) is free during the training and competition dates. Please be cautious as N Summit Ave. (the street in front of the stadium) will be closed during the days of competition for wheelchair track warm-up.

Golf carts will be on a consistent shuttle schedule between the stadium both event parking lots.

Personal Competition Equipment

- Racing chairs, throwing frames and other competition equipment can be stored at the competition venue (at your own risk) from June 29 through the end of competition on July 2.
- Competition specific equipment (i.e., throwing implements, throwing chairs, etc.) is NOT provided--athletes MUST bring their own equipment for the competition.
- Wheelchair track competition chairs will be checked at the call tent or during the pre-check times outlined on the event schedule.
- Athletes in the wheelchair track events must provide their own equipment including a helmet (and wear it) for ALL races including warm-up and training.
- Throwing frames will be checked at the call tent or during the pre-check times outlined on the event schedule.
- Personal throwing implements must be approved through weights and measures prior to the event. Weights and measures will be available at the competition venue based on the dates/times

outlined in the event and competition schedule. Once the implements are weighed/measured or chairs have been approved through pre-check, they will be impounded and athletes should pick them up after the event at weights and measures area.

Photography

Event photos may be taken during the competition only by accredited media. Personal photography will be allowed ONLY outside of the competition areas. Personal photography is NOT allowed in competition areas.

Protests

All protests will be handled according to IPC rules. Protests can be filed in the clerking area/call tent with the Head Clerk no later than 30 minutes after the official competition results are posted at the competition stadium. There will be a \$50 protest fee that will be forfeited if the protest is not upheld by the Track/Field Referee. If the protest is then sent to appeal, another \$50 fee is required and will be forfeited if the protest is not upheld by the Jury of Appeals.

Results

Results will be posted at the competition venue, at the host hotels and on the event website. The Official Competition results will be posted within the JCSU stadium. Live results will be posted on the event website and <http://halfmiletiming.com/>

Rules

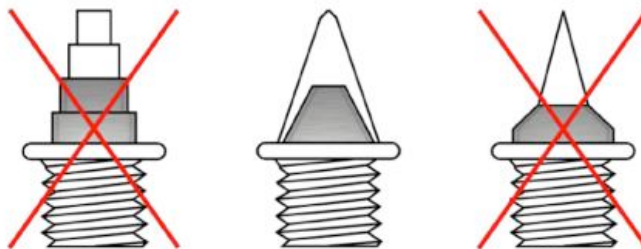
The 2016-2017 IPC Athletics Rules will govern the competition.
<http://www.paralympic.org/athletics/rules-and-regulations/rules>

Tickets

All events are open to the public--no tickets will be sold. Credentials must be worn in order to access designated areas.

Track Events

- Guide vests will be provided in the clerking area/call tent for all guide runners
- Only ¼ inch pyramid spikes are allowed--no other spikes are permitted
- Spikes will be checked in call/clerking tent



Visitor Information

<http://www.charlottesgotalot.com/>

Deals: <http://www.charlottesgotalot.com/transportation-visitor-service-deals>

Warm-up

The grass areas surrounding the outside of the track and field stadium will be used for ambulatory warm-up during the times of competition and the road (N Summit Ave.) in front of the stadium will be closed from vehicle traffic for wheelchair warm-up (see map for more details). There is also an asphalt track (and surrounding grass areas) up the hill from the stadium that is also reserved for warm-up. The schedule is built with specific times for wheelchair track athletes to set their compensators on the track prior to their event.

Weather

Be sure to check the weather for the competition prior to traveling to the event. You may benefit from bringing the following items: hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, bug spray, wind/rain jacket and a water bottle. Please note that tent areas are primarily meant for athlete use only during the time(s) of their competition.

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