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This document will detail the Host Selection Process for the 2026 WWR Wheelchair Rugby World Championship.

Expression of Interest

The first step in the process is to submit the Expression of Interest document to the WWR. This document indicates that a member is interested in bidding to host the World Championship and provides the WWR with the opportunity to support those interested in bidding through the bid phase. Expressions of Interest are to be submitted by **April 30, 2023**.

Host Application

The next stage in the process is completion of the Host Application. This must be completed in full, providing details on plans for hosting the event. The Event Requirements document provides details on the minimum required standards for the event. The Host Application must be submitted no later than **July 31, 2023**.

Bid Fee

Each bid organization must submit the Bid Process Fee of USD 5000 to WWR, no later than **July 31, 2023**. The bid fee will be used to cover the costs to WWR of the Host Selection Process.

Site Evaluation

Following completion of the Host Application, WWR will conduct a Site Evaluation of each of the bidding cities. Two representatives appointed by WWR will visit to verify the information in the Host Application and to confirm that the bid meets all Event Requirements. Costs for travel for the Site Evaluation will be paid by WWR; the bid organization is responsible for local costs including accommodation (minimum three nights, single occupancy), local transportation, and meals.

Site evaluations will take place between **August 1, 2023 and September 30, 2023**. WWR will contact each bid organization upon receipt of the completed Host Application to set dates for the Site Evaluation.

Evaluation Report

After the Site Evaluation, each bid organization will be provided an Evaluation Report detailing how the bid meets the Event Requirements and highlighting any areas of concern with the bid. Evaluation reports will be provided within fourteen days of completion of the Site Evaluation.

Host Presentations and Site Selection

In **October 2023**, each bid organization will be invited to make a Host Presentation to an WWR Site Selection Committee. The Host Presentation is the opportunity to provide feedback or more detail on any areas in the Host Application and the Evaluation Report. There will be one date for Host Presentations; this date will be set by WWR in consultation with the bid organizations.

Following the Host Presentations, the Site Selection Committee will make the final decision on which bid will be awarded the right to host the 2026 WWR World Championship.

Costs for bid organizations to attend the Host Presentations, including travel, accommodation, and meals, are the responsibility of the bid organizations. Costs for the Site Selection Committee to attend are the responsibility of WWR.

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The final decision will be made by **November 15, 2023**. (note after receiving the bid on due date the WWR reserves the right to change dates outlined for the selection timeframe if required)

Key dates:

April 30, 2023	Submit Expression of Interest
July 31, 2023	Host Application deadline Bid fee deadline
Aug 1, 2023 - Sept 30, 2023	Site Evaluations
October 2023	Host Presentations and Site Selection
November 15, 2023	Site Selection deadline

If you have any questions regarding the site selection process or require more information, please contact Tim Johnson, WWR Lead Competitions, at tim.johnson@worldwheelchair.rugby