

Event Requirements

2026 WWR World Championships Qualification Tournament

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As part of the qualification system for the Wheelchair Rugby competition at the 2026 World Championships, WWR will conduct a World Championship Qualification Tournament to determine the final three qualification positions for the 2026 World Championships.

This document details the sport technical, logistical, and administrative requirements to host the 2026 World Championship Qualification Tournament. WWR members interested in submitting a bid for this event should confirm that they are prepared to meet these requirements.

PARTICIPANTS

| Category | Number |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Teams | (up to) 8 |
| Athletes | 96 |
| Team Staff | 48 |
| WWR Technical Officials and Personnel | 24 |

SCHEDULE

| Day | Activity |
|-----|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | Arrivals of teams and officials |
| 2 | Training and Classification |
| 3 | Training and Classification |
| 4 | Opening, Competition |
| 5 | Competition |
| 6 | Competition |
| 7 | Competition |
| 8 | Competition, Closing |
| 9 | Departures of teams and officials |

COMPETITION VENUE

1 x Competition Court

- Hardwood surface – 21m x 36m
- Minimum end run off - 5m
- Minimum side run off - 3m
- Ceiling height minimum 7.5 m
- Wheelchair Rugby lines marked; may have other lines
- 2 x 40 second shot clocks with integrated game clock
- At least one full scoreboard clearly visible from Field of Play

Warm up area

- Does not need to meet competition standards

Temperature and light

- Should be climate controlled for cooling and heating with the ability to maintain temperature range of 19 – 22 degrees Celsius on Field of Play
- If cooling is not available the LOC must provide temporary solutions for the Field of Play (e.g., large fans or blowers)
- Lighting must be sufficient and equal over entire field of play

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Rooms

- 1 x office for WWR Technical Delegate
- 2 x officials change rooms including showers
- 1 x referee meeting room

Classification

- 2 x classification rooms with massage table and mat on floor
- 1 x classifier meeting room
- Must have hard floor surface access for testing athletes
- Adequate area for out of competitions evaluation 8m x 15m minimum

Wheelchair & Equipment Storage

- 8 x secure lockable storage rooms or cages
- Minimum 5m x 5m each
- Additional space required for other equipment storage

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation must be provided for all registered participants. All accommodation should be minimum 3-star hotel-standard. Room availability should be a minimum of 78 double-occupancy rooms and 5 single-occupancy rooms.

All rooms for athletes and at least 25% of rooms for other participants must be accessible to persons in wheelchairs, or able to be adapted to allow wheelchair access. Hotel facilities must be wheelchair accessible and generally suitable for people with physical disabilities. There must be a minimum of two elevators serving every floor where participants will be accommodated.

If multiple hotels are to be used for accommodation, all must be of the same general standard.

ITO accommodation bookings need to be guided by the WWR ITO travel policy which can be found [here](#).

Room Breakdown for ITO's / WWR as follows:

Single Accommodation

- 1 x Technical Delegate
- 1 x WWR Representative
- 1 x WWR Media Representative
- 1 x Head Official
- 1 x Chief Classifier
- 1 x Classifier Evaluator

Twin Accommodation

- (up to) 8 x Referees
- 6 x Classifiers
- 2 x Game Commissioners
- 2 x Evaluators

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MEETING ROOMS

Meeting rooms must be available for teams and officials throughout the entire event. There should be a minimum of 2 meeting spaces available. Meeting space should be at the host hotel or competition venue with convenient access.

TRANSPORTATION

WWR cover the cost of return airfares for up to 24 WWR personnel.
(The Event entry Fees will cover this cost that are collected by WWR).

This comprises the following:

- 1 x Technical Delegate
- 1 x WWR Representative
- 1 x WWR Media Representative
- 1 x Head Official
- 1 x Chief Classifier
- 1 x Classifier Evaluator
- (up to) 8 x Referees
- 6 x Classifiers
- 2 x Game Commissioners
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Accessible transportation will be provided by the LOC between ports of entry and the host hotel for all participants. Accessible transportation must be provided between ports of entry and the host hotel for all participants. Arriving personnel should wait no more than 90 minutes before transport leaves to the accommodation. Departing personnel should not arrive at the airport more than 3 hours prior to flight departure times.

Accessible transportation must be provided between the host hotel and training and competition venues. This should include scheduled transportation for teams and officials, as well as a regular shuttle service throughout the day. The time to travel between the host hotel and training and competition venue should be no more than 30 minutes.

FOOD SERVICES

The host must provide breakfast, lunch and dinner for all participants throughout the duration of the event. Food service should begin with lunch on Day 1 (Arrivals) and should not end prior to lunch on Day 9 (Departures). Food services must be nutritious and varied.

The host must provide water, sports drinks, and nutritious snacks for teams and officials at the competition venue. This should be provided in the appropriate locations e.g. athletes' lounge, officials lounge, office areas.

MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS

Minimum broadcast (live stream) requirements: 1 single camera (HD 1080p with 3-5x zoom capability) installed at centre court facing crowd (if possible). Inclusion of scoreboard graphics and time clock is required. English commentary required. Main distribution: WWR YouTube channel with assistance from WWR staffing. To note all Media, Broadcast and digital rights are retained by WWR.

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SUSTAINABILITY

As host, consider how you can include sustainability initiatives throughout the planning and delivery phases of this event.

ANTIDOPING

Doping control will be conducted at the event. The LOC is responsible for liaison with the appropriate National Anti-doping Organization to conduct sample collection and analysis. WWR will direct the number and type of tests to be done and will be the results management authority for the event. The costs of doping control will be paid by the LOC.

BUDGET

When preparing the budget be sure to include the following items in addition to other expenses related to the delivery of the event:

- Registration fees should not be higher than USD 200 per day per registered participant (team athletes and staff)
- Doping control tests (A minimum budget of 10 Tests)
- Per Diems for all WWR officials based on USD 50 per day
- WWR bid fee of USD 2500
- Licence fee of USD 250

If you would like a more detailed sample budget please contact Competitions Working Group via office@worldwheelchair.rugby