



# Para Alpine Skiing Information Book

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## About the Sport Information Books

Published in January 2017, the Sport Information Books offer a detailed introduction to each sport at the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games, as well as provide information on a variety of other fundamental topics that may be of importance to teams as they continue their planning and preparations. *Sport Information Books* is the new name for what was called *Sport Explanatory Books*.

This guide is divided into several sections:

- Sport-specific information on subjects such as the competition venue and format; rules; training; and qualification criteria;
- General information touching on the athletes' village, transport, doping control and awards;
- (appendix) A venue map, a venue fact sheet and a daily competition schedule for all sports.

All information provided in this Information Book was correct at the time of publication in January 2017; however, please note that details may change between this date and the Games. NPCs are advised to check the PyeongChang 2018's NPC Extranet ([extranet.pyeongchang2018.com](http://extranet.pyeongchang2018.com)) for important updates on topics, such as the competition schedule.

Detailed Team Captains' Manuals, covering Games-time plans for every Paralympic sport, will be distributed to NPCs in January 2018.



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## Overview

The Jeongseon Alpine Centre will host the Para alpine skiing competitions for the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games from 10 to 18 March 2018.

The official training will take place from 7 to 9 March.

General trainings will also take place at the warm-up course in Jeongseon beginning on 3 March 2018.

## Events

### 30 medal events:

#### Men's

##### Speed Events

- Downhill
  - Visually Impaired
  - Sitting
  - Standing
- Super-G
  - Visually Impaired
  - Sitting
  - Standing
- Super Combined
  - Visually Impaired
  - Sitting
  - Standing

##### Technical Events

- Giant Slalom
  - Visually Impaired
  - Sitting
  - Standing
- Slalom
  - Visually Impaired
  - Sitting
  - Standing

#### Women's

##### Speed Events

- Downhill
  - Visually Impaired
  - Sitting
  - Standing
- Super-G
  - Visually Impaired
  - Sitting
  - Standing
- Super Combined
  - Visually Impaired
  - Sitting
  - Standing

##### Technical Events

- Giant Slalom
  - Visually Impaired
  - Sitting
  - Standing
- Slalom
  - Visually Impaired
  - Sitting
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## Competition Venues

### Jeongseon Alpine Centre

#### Gross Capacity

6,500 (3,600 seats and 2,900 standing)

Seating for Spectators with an Impairment (As of January 2016)

36 wheelchair spectator positions and companion seats

#### Field of Play

The following table describes the courses at the Jeongseon Alpine Centre. (As of Homologation)

Competition	Start Altitude	Finish Altitude	Vertical Drop	Course Length
Downhill	1238 m	545 m	693 m	2260 m
Super-G	1108 m	545 m	563 m	1940 m
Giant Slalom	940 m	545 m	395 m	1420 m
Slalom	745 m	545 m	200 m	560 m

#### Athletes Services

Each team is assigned to a wax cabin depending on the team size and is entitled to use of the athlete lounge which includes free Wi-Fi and food services.

## Directions from PyeongChang Paralympic Village



The PyeongChang Paralympic Village will be constructed as high-quality apartments which will remain as a legacy of the Games to advance the regional development of Gangwon Province.

The village will be located on a 107,276 m<sup>2</sup> site at an altitude of 700 m. The style of housing in the village consists of apartment units of five or six beds with two bathrooms.

### PyeongChang Paralympic Village Facts

Planned Number of Residents	1,720
Residents by Sport Discipline	Para alpine skiing, Para biathlon, Para cross-country skiing, Para ice hockey, Para snowboard, wheelchair curling
Housing Type	Apartments (600 flats in 8 buildings, 15 storey)

### Distances from the PyeongChang Paralympic Village to:

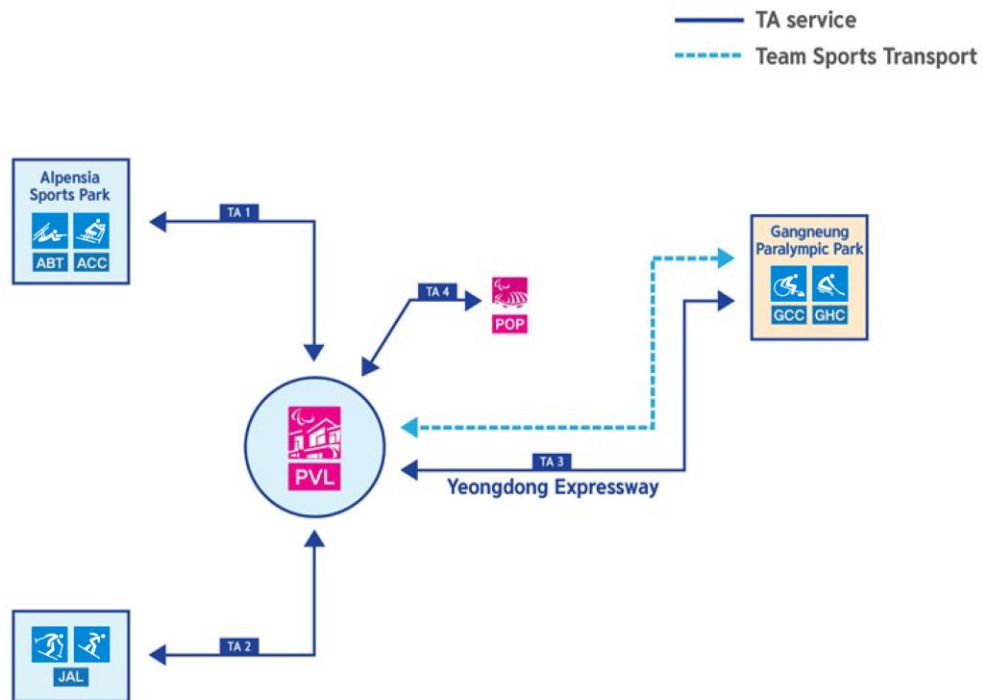
Jeongseon Alpine Centre	< 41.5 km	57 min.
Alpensia Biathlon Centre	< 3.0 km	6 min.
Gangneung Curling Centre	< 46.5 km	53 min.
Gangneung Hockey Centre	< 46.5 km	53 min.
PyeongChang Olympic Plaza	< 2.0 km	3 min.
Jinbu Station (Transport Hub)	< 14.2 km	23 min.
Incheon International Airport (ICN) to Jinbu Station	< 236.8 km	98 min.(train)
Jinbu Station to the PyeongChang Paralympic Village	< 14.2 km	23 min. (bus)
Yangyang International Airport (YNY)	< 68.0 km	44 min.

## Transport System

### Athletes Transport System (TA)

The TA System is divided into two separate systems that connect the PyeongChang Paralympic Village with the competition venues. The services include for trainings, competitions, opening & closing ceremonies and from/to the PyeongChang Paralympic Plaza.

- 1) The shuttle will be available to both competing and spectating athletes travelling from the Paralympic Village to the Gangneung Hockey Centre and the Gangneung Curling Centre. Shuttles will operate with a regular frequency based on competition times
- 2) Accessible vehicles will be provided for the team sports (ice hockey and wheelchair curling) from the front of a team’s accommodation inside the Paralympic Village directly to the venue.



PyeongChang Paralympic Village to the Jeongseon Alpine Centre	
Transport Dates	3 - 18 March 2018
Estimated Distance / Travel Time	41.5 km / 57 minutes
Vehicle Type and Capacity	Bus with 45 seats

## General Rules

### Qualification System for Para Alpine Skiing

The following information is taken from the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games Qualification Guide, a publication updated by the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) in January 2017.

#### Athletes Quota

Male	Female	Total
130	60	190

#### Allocation of Qualification Slots

The qualification slot is allocated to the NPC, not to an individual athlete. In the case of a Bipartite Commission Invitation the slot is allocated to the individual athlete, not to the NPC.

#### Maximum Quota Allocation per NPC

An NPC may be allocated a maximum of twenty (20) male qualification slots and ten (10) female qualification slots. Exceptions may be made via the Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation method.

#### Athlete Eligibility

To be eligible for selection by an NPC, athletes must:

- Hold a valid WPAS license for the 2016/2017 and 2017/2018 seasons;
- Have achieved race points in at least one (1) race of the 2017/2018 season by 19 February 2018;
- Be at least sixteen (16) years of age by 31 December 2017; and
- Be internationally classified with either a 'Confirmed' sport class status or a 'Review' sport class status with a review date after the 2017/2018 season.



### For Technical Events

- Be ranked and have achieved for the Men 220 WPAS Points and for the Women 240 WPAS Points or less either on the WPAS Slalom Ranking List or on the WPAS Giant Slalom Ranking List as of 19 February 2018.

### For Speed Events

Be ranked and have achieved for the Men 140 WPAS Points and for the Women 180 WPAS Points or less either on the WPAS Downhill Ranking List or on the WPAS Super-G Ranking List or on the WPAS Super Combined Ranking List (only for Super Combined) as of 19 February 2018.

### Maximum Entry per NPC

An NPC can enter a maximum of five (5) eligible athletes per medal event (Bipartite exceptions apply).

### Qualification System

Qualification slots will be allocated as follows:

Method	Qualification	Total
2016/2017 WPAS Nations Ranking Allocation	Each NPC considered by WPAS to be widely and regularly practising Para Alpine Skiing and that has at least one (1) licensed male and/or female athlete in the 2016/17 season will receive one (1) male and/or one (1) female qualification slot. All remaining qualification slots (except the reserved Bipartite slots) will be allocated through the Ranking Factor Allocation method (below).	TBD
2016/2017 WPAS Ranking Factor Allocation	<p>Each male athlete with 220 WPAS points or less from both Super-G and Giant Slalom Point Lists on 1 May 2017 obtains one (1) qualification slot for their NPC up to the maximum quota and subtracting the slot already obtained through the Nations Ranking Allocation (above).</p> <p>Each female athlete with 240 WPAS points or less from both Super-G and Giant Slalom Point Lists on 1 May 2017 obtains one (1) qualification slot for their NPC up to the maximum quota and subtracting the slot already obtained through the Nations Ranking Allocation (above).</p> <p>In the case that the total number of male and/or female athletes with the required points score on 1 May 2017 exceeds the number of slots available per gender, a factor allocation will be established for each gender as follows:  <math>(A \div B) \times C = \text{number of slots per NPC}</math>                      A - NPC's athletes                      B - Total number of athletes from all NPCs                      C - Total number of available slots</p> <p>Each NPC's allocation will be rounded up or down to the nearest whole number (up to the maximum quota).</p> <p>Any slots that cannot be allocated through this method will be allocated through the Bipartite Invitation Allocation method (below).</p>	TBD

Bipartite Commission Invitation Allocation	Ten (10) eligible male athletes and ten (10) eligible female athletes will be considered by WPAS and the IPC for Bipartite Commission Invitation slots in technical events (Slalom and Giant Slalom). To be considered for a Bipartite Commission Invitation, NPCs must submit an official application in writing to WPAS by 25 January 2018.	10 male athletes 10 female athletes
Total		130 male athletes 60 female athletes

### Qualification Timeline

Date	Milestone
1 May 2017	Closing date of the 2016/2017 WPAS World Ranking Lists for qualification slot allocation
1 June 2017	WPAS confirms to NPCs in writing the number of qualification slots allocated
1 July 2017	NPCs confirm in writing to WPAS the use of allocated qualification slots
8 December 2017	Deadline for PyeongChang 2018 Organising Committee to receive accreditation forms submitted by NPCs for all potential athletes ('Long List')
8 January 2018	Start of Bipartite Commission Invitation application process
25 January 2018	Deadline for NPCs to submit applications for Bipartite Commission Invitations
1 February 2018	WPAS confirms in writing to the NPCs the awarding of Bipartite Commission Invitation slots
19 February 2018	Deadline for athletes to achieve race points in at least one race of the 2017/2018 season for eligibility purposes
23 February 2018	Deadline for PyeongChang 2018 Organising Committee to receive sport entry lists submitted by NPCs

### CONFIRMATION PROCESS OF ALLOCATED SLOTS

By 1 July 2017 each NPC must confirm to WPAS in writing (fax and email are accepted) the number of qualification slots they will use. NPCs that have not replied by this date will have lost their slots and WPAS may reallocate them.

By 1 February 2018 it is officially declared that the respective NPCs will use the allocated slots for the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games. Any NPC that does not use its allocated slots may be subject to sanctions by IPC and WPAS.

### REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION SLOTS

Any qualification slot that is not used by an NPC will be reallocated through the Bipartite Commission Invitation method by 1 February 2018.

*Note: For complete and updated information on all elements of the qualification criteria for athletes, please refer to the official text in the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games Qualification Guide, which is regularly updated by IPC on its website ([www.paralympic.org](http://www.paralympic.org))*

## General Eligibility

Only athletes meeting the General IPC Regulations on eligibility and the athlete eligibility rules for Para alpine skiing, as laid down in the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games Qualification Guide, may compete in the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games.

## Nationality of Competitors

Any athlete in the Paralympic Winter Games must be a national of the country/territory of the NPC entering him/her and in compliance with the provisions of the IPC Athletes Nationality Code.

## Classification

Please refer to the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games Classification Guide to get detailed information on classification policies and procedures.

## Sport Entries and Qualifications (PEQ)

The PyeongChang 2018 Games will implement the online sport entries system (eSEQ) only. The system will provide NPCs with the ability to manage, review and submit their individual athlete and team entries online.

## Sport Entries

Entries for the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games must be submitted by NPCs through the online entries system, eSEQ. Instructions for the eSEQ system will be distributed to NPCs in advance. All entries must be submitted to PyeongChang 2018 by **21:00 GMT on 23 February 2018 (06:00, Korean time, on 24 February 2018)**.

## Eligibility Form

All NPC categories including athletes, coaches, trainers, officials and other members of NPC delegations participating in the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games will need to complete and sign a copy of the Eligibility Form. Each form must include a signature of a representative of the NPC and the NPC's official stamp. A parent or legal guardian of all participants who are under the age of 14 or who have not reached the age of majority in their country on the date of signing the form must also complete and sign a Parent/Legal Guardian Acknowledgement of Consent for Minors Form. The forms will be distributed electronically to the NPCs. Only original signed copies of the form(s) will be accepted, and must be received at, or prior to, each NPC's Delegation Registration Meeting.

## Late Replacements

All replacements requested by NPCs after the final entries deadline of 21:00 GMT on 23 February 2018 (06:00, Korean time, on 24 February 2018) must follow the IPC and PyeongChang 2018's late athlete replacement policy. Details of the late athlete replacement policy for the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games will be included in the Sport Entries and Qualification Manual, which will be distributed to NPCs in 2017.

## Doping Control

During the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games, doping control is carried out in accordance with the IPC's anti-doping rules. Urine and blood samples can be collected anytime, anywhere.

The IPC is responsible for the test distribution plan. The selection criteria may include targeted or random selections

Doping control includes testing for all prohibited substances and methods referred to on the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) prohibited list

## Competition Rules

### Competition Management

The PyeongChang 2018's Competition Management team is responsible for organising the Para alpine skiing competitions at the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games.

#### PyeongChang 2018 Competition Management

##### Vice President of Games Operations

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##### Deputy Sport Manager

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##### Deputy Sport Manager

LEE Chang-wook

##### Sport Coordinator

KIM Su-jung

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Brad SERWA

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Alison BOMBARDIER

## Competition Format

In case of any divergences, the Competition Rules in effect prevail.

The format for the men's and ladies' Para alpine skiing competitions is identical; however, they are held as two separate events on two different courses except for slalom which will be held on the same slope with different start elevation.

### Downhill

Each athlete competes one run down the course with their finish time determining the final order based on ascending time. Athletes ski down a long, steep course and must pass through a relatively few number of gates. If an athlete misses a gate they are disqualified.

### Super-G

A speed event where each athlete completes one run down the course with their finish time determining the final order based on ascending time. The course is generally shorter than downhill, but longer than slalom and giant slalom.

### Slalom and Giant Slalom

Each athlete competes two runs on the same day on different courses. Times from the two runs are added together to determine the final order based on ascending total time. It is a technical event over a shorter course than other events but with a high number of gates that the athlete must negotiate. If an athlete misses a gate they are disqualified.

### Super Combined

A combined competition which represents the final result of two disciplines: Super-G and a single run of Slalom. Each athlete competes two runs on the same day on different courses. Times from the two runs are added together to determine the final order based on ascending total time.

## Team Captains' Meetings

The first information meeting will take place on the day before the first official training day.

All Para alpine skiing team captains' meetings will be held as per World Para Alpine Skiing rules and regulations. The date, time and location of the meetings will be approved by the World Para Alpine Skiing Technical Delegate.

## Protests

Protests must be submitted in writing within 15 minutes of the posting of the unofficial results. The protest must be submitted in English, accompanied by 100 Euros or Korean equivalent, in accordance with World Para Alpine Skiing rules. The competition jury handles the protest in accordance with World Para Alpine Skiing rules and regulations.

## Competition Equipment

All equipment and accessories must conform to World Para Alpine Skiing equipment rules. Equipment inspection is carried out according to World Para Alpine Skiing equipment rules.

## Awards

An in-venue medallist recognition announcement will take place following the completion of each medal event. Immediately after racing has finished in a medal event, the winners of the gold, silver and bronze medals will gather in a designated area on or near the field of play. Their names and rankings will be announced to the spectators, but no gifts or medals will be presented. There will also be no raising of their countries' flags or playing of any anthems. The announcement is a short opportunity for photographers and broadcasters to capture post-race images of the winners. Athletes may carry with them their sport equipment as long as it complies with the IPC Manufacturers Guidelines.

Victory Ceremonies, including the presentation of medals, will take place at the Paralympic Medals Plaza in PyeongChang on the same day except when the competition event is late in the day, in which case it will be held the following evening. For the events which will take place on the last day of the Paralympic Winter Games, the Victory Ceremony will be held at the competition venue.

Medallists and presenting officials should arrive at the Paralympic Medals Plaza by 18:00. Victory Ceremonies will begin at 19:00h each evening.