

Qualification Standards

The standards below apply to regulated events, coming under the auspices of World Sailing, the BOA and the BSA, or any other body that has delegated eligibility and/or qualifications to BSA.

Criteria are transparent and are intended to ensure that athletes representing Bermuda are of a sufficient standard to compete for Olympic and Paralympic medals or have athletes consistently achieve top 50% results at major events.

BSA aims to support sailors who have shown a commitment to the sport, and whose training plan and performance demonstrates that they will be competitive. Without that demonstration BSA will not support sending sailors to these major events. BSA will not enter sailors to “make up numbers”.

The detailed standards will change as the sailing calendar is updated. Check with the BSA before committing to specific events to ensure the latest information is used and that the BSA are aware of your plans.

Noting that there may be circumstances where a qualifying event falls short in assessing performance on a global stage (e.g. weather, top sailors not taking part, etc.) BSA reserves the right to adjust the standard, grading or selection, which will require the support of the majority of the Board of Governors.

All major events will, however, require a demonstration to, and performance in the event class the athlete expects to participate in.

To maintain regional flexibility and to allow for postponements and cancellations of qualifying events this year we are looking at a rolling ranking garnered from results from a series of events for potential athletes who meet general qualification standards (age, gender, etc.). Due to the varied degree in strength of fleets and the fact that athletes may not consistently race head-to-head we have designed a format that allows the athlete to choose their events regionally (*where they may be at school for instance*).

The formula being used is a modified version of the World Sailing ranking system:

$$\text{Ranking Points} = E(N-P+1)/N$$

Where:

E = Event Rank (Weighting)

N = Number of Entries

P = Position in Regatta

While we will try to keep the ranking system consistent ‘Event Rank’ (Grade) may have to be altered based on the actual event if it doesn’t meet expectations – either below or above the anticipated ranking.

Certain events may have more depth of competition, or less and this will impact the ‘Grade’.

Other events may be added at the request of the athlete if they are not already included qualifying events.

Pan American Games 2023

Date:	October 20 – November 5, 2023
BSA Role:	Team selection and qualification process with BOA
Registration Criteria:	MNA Awarded 1 entry per event – country must qualify before individual selected
Bermudian Status:	Yes, Registered
Age:	15 + in the year of the games
BSA Criteria:	Yes
Location:	Santiago, Chile
Website:	2023 Pan Am Games
Country Qualification:	2023 Pan Am Country Qualis
Equipment:	Men's Single Handed – Laser 7.0 Women's Single Handed – Laser 6.0 <i>Additional classes as per Country Qualification document</i>
Entry Selection Date:	Monday July 31 st , 2023 * *

- If more than one athlete is competing for a spot the best three event points total based on the previous **15** months prior (April 30th, 2022) to the selection date, using the formula as described above in the general Qualification Standards;
- Qualification points will only be considered from events in the same Equipment Class;
- At least one event must have an Event Grading of **50** or higher included in the 3-event total;
- The athlete must be in the top 50th percentile in at least one of the events graded **50** or higher;
- To be selected the athlete must be compliant with all aspects of the NoR;
- An athlete wishing to qualify for these games must sail in at least one of the Country Qualifying event as prescribed in 'Country Qualification' link above.

The list of qualifying events below *may* not be inclusive:

- It does include events received on your 2022 event plans, plus others.
 - Additional or missing events *may* be considered upon request to the BSA.
 - The "Qualification Standards" apply to all sailors/teams.
 - The "Ranking System" above is primarily for situations when more than one sailor/team is vying for a spot for a particular event.
 - Other Equipment Qualifying Events available on request.
- Current event grades/rankings can be found at: [Event Grades & Points](#)

* * July 31st, 2023 may be modified based on Bermuda Olympic Association criteria.
