

PARA ATHLETICS

14th Sharjah International Open Para Athletics Meeting 2027



25–27 January 2027

Al Thiqah Club for Disabled, Sharjah, UAE

Welcome Message

Dear Sports Friends and Colleagues,

It is our great pleasure to welcome you once again to Sharjah, United Arab Emirates, for the 14th Sharjah 2027 International Open Para Athletics Meeting, taking place from 25 to 27 January 2027 at the newly upgraded Mondo Track – Al Thiqah Club for Disabled.

Since 2011, and with your support and cooperation, the Sharjah International Open Para Athletics Meeting has become one of the most successful and popular competitions in the WPA calendar. The 2027 edition marks an exciting new chapter for the Sharjah International Open Para Athletics Meeting. With a refreshed identity and the introduction of our new Mondo track, we are entering a new era of excellence, innovation and inclusion, offering athletes high-quality conditions in which to perform at their best.

The 2027 edition is a new opportunity for all participants to take part in international competitions and engage with high-level athletes. It also serves as a valuable chance to achieve standards for Tashkent 2027 World Para Athletics Championships and LA28 Paralympic Games. We look forward to another exciting edition that continues to build the future of Para Athletics and to celebrate the dedication and performance of all participating athletes.

Dr. Khalid Al Midfa
Chairman



Information About Sharjah

Sharjah is located at approximately 25.36° North and 55.4° East longitude. As one of the seven emirates of the United Arab Emirates (UAE), it is situated on the eastern coast of the Arabian Peninsula.

Sharjah is known for its welcoming culture, modern infrastructure, and strong commitment to inclusion and accessibility. It offers participants and visitors a unique opportunity to experience Emirati hospitality combined with world-class facilities.

Country: United Arab Emirates (UAE)

Sharjah: Population: 1.91 million

Sharjah Climate: Mild and pleasant climate 18–28°C

Language: Arabic & English

Religion: Islam

Local Time: UTC +4

International Calls: +971

Currency: UAE Dirham (1 USD = 3.67 AED)

Electricity: The United Arab Emirates uses the Type G (British) plug with a 230V / 50Hz power supply. Participants are advised to bring suitable plug adapters.

Water: Tap water in Sharjah is potable and safe to drink, though bottled water is also widely available.

EVENT PROFILE

General Information

DATE

25 to 27 January 2027

COMPETITION DIRECTOR

Mohamed Abdalla AlQayed

PLACE

Sharjah, UAE

VENUE

Al Thiqah Club for Disabled

ORGANIZER

Al Thiqah Club for Disabled

CLASSES

10's, 20's, 30's, 40's, 50's, 60's and 70's (Men & Women)

CHAIRMAN

Dr Khalid Al Midfa

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Highly qualified officials from UAE Athletics Federation

Competition Overview

The meeting will feature both track and field events for men and women across all Para Athletics classes.

Track: 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 5000m and 4x100m Universal Relay

Field: Shot Put, Discus, Javelin, Club Throw, Long Jump and High Jump

Officials

World Para Athletics International Technical Official (ITOs) and National Technical Officials (NTOs) from UAE Athletics Federation will be overseeing the Sharjah 2027 International Open Para Athletics Meeting

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Important Dates & Deadlines

Participating delegations are requested to observe the following deadlines to ensure smooth registration, visa processing, accommodation and competition entry.

25 OCT 2026

Registration Opens

24 DEC 2026

Free Cancellation Deadline

25 DEC 2026

Visa Assistance Deadline

04 JAN 2027

Final Entries Deadline

04 JAN 2027

Full Payment Deadline

23 JAN 2027

Arrival & Classification

24 JAN 2027

Classification & Technical Meeting

25–27 JAN 2027

Competition

FROM 28 JAN 2027

Departure

Key Information

Athlete Eligibility & Licensing

Participating countries are strongly encouraged to register their athletes in SDMS and ensure that athletes hold an active World Para Athletics (WPA) Athlete Licence for the 2027 season to facilitate the official recognition of eligible performances.

Competition Rules

The competition will be conducted in accordance with the World Para Athletics Rules and Regulations September 2026.

Combined Events

Where Sport Classes are combined, the applicable WPA Points System may be used to determine placings in accordance with WPA Rules and Regulations and the approved competition program.

Event Viability

The Local Organizing Committee reserves the right to combine events with insufficient entries. Final event combinations will be confirmed following the entry deadline.

The Top three athletes in each event will be awarded (if 4 or more participants are in the event).

Athletes may enter an unlimited number of events.

The final training and competition schedule will be released following the final entry deadline.

Technical Meeting

The Technical Meeting will be held on 24 January 2027. The exact time and location will be communicated to participating delegations in due course. Each NPC may nominate up to two representatives to attend. If required, one interpreter may also attend.

Delegations are requested to submit technical questions at least one day before the Technical Meeting. Questions requiring detailed review should be submitted in advance to allow sufficient time for an accurate response.

Technical Information Centre

The Technical Information Centre (TIC) is located at the competition venue. The TIC is responsible for the following:

Official Communication

Urgent Notices

Technical Meeting Queries

Forms Management

General Enquiries

Personal Implement Check-in

An information desk will be located in each official team hotel. These desks will provide information and respond to queries regarding accommodation, meals, transportation, and general meeting matters (excluding technical competition-related queries, which are handled by the TIC).

TECHNICAL

Protest

Protests shall be submitted to and processed by the Technical Information Centre (TIC) in accordance with the World Para Athletics Rules and Regulations.

COMPETITION SITE

The Venue

The competition venue has undergone a major upgrade with the installation of a new Mondo track surface, providing world-class conditions that meet international standards and ensure peak performance for athletes.

Specifications:

8-lane, 400m track

2 long jump pits

2 Discus throwing Cages

2 Javelin runways

2 Throwing Circles, including anchor points for seated throws

1 High Jump landing area

Sports Equipment

Official Implements

The list of official implements provided by the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) will be selected from the World Athletics certified list. The detailed list of available implements will be published later.

Personal Implements

Athletes may submit up to two (2) personal implements for each event in which they are competing. Approval of personal implements will be conducted in accordance with WPA Rules and Regulations.

To be checked and included in the official pool, personal implements must be delivered to the TIC by 18:00 on the day before the event.

Storage

The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) Transportation Team will collect the competition equipment from each team upon arrival at the airport and transport it directly to the storage facility at the competition venue.

It is the responsibility of each NPC to unpack their equipment at the designated storage area.

Registration

All participating delegations must complete their registration through the official registration portal below. Registration includes accreditation, accommodation, visa assistance, competition entries, and arrival and departure information.

Click on the logo below to register your team.



Accommodation & Transportation

All accommodation rates include the following services and facilities:

- Transportation from Sharjah International Airport or Dubai International Airport to the official hotels and return.
- Shuttle service between the official hotels and the competition venue, according to the official timetable (to be published before the competition).
- Visa assistance, if required to enter the UAE.
- Three buffet meals daily: breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

Rates are per person, per night.

Booking Policy: Reservations will be confirmed on a first-come, first-served basis upon full payment before the deadline. No rooms will be reserved without payment.

Hotel Check-in: 14:00

Hotel Check-out: 12:00

Accommodation & Transportation

Note: Teams choosing to stay outside the official championship hotels will be required to pay a participation fee of USD 300 per person. This fee covers accreditation and athlete registration for participation in the competition.

The USD 300 participation fee does not include any visa or visa assistance fees, which, Delegations requiring visa assistance will be charged an additional fee of USD 150 per person.

Please note that the Local Organizing Committee will not provide transportation for teams staying outside the official championship hotels, including transportation between external accommodation and the competition venue, or between external accommodation and the airport. Such teams will be fully responsible for arranging their own transportation.

Accommodation



Holiday International Sharjah 4-Star

Single Room

Full Board

USD 200

Twin Room

Full Board

USD 160



<https://holidayinternational.com/searches/>

Accommodation



Centro Sharjah 4-Star

Single Room

Full Board

USD 190

Twin Room

Full Board

USD 150



<https://www.rotana.com/centrohotels/unitedarabemirates/sharjah/centrosharjah>

Accommodation



Crystal Plaza Al Majaz Hotel 3-Star

Single Room

Full Board

USD 160

Twin Room

Full Board

USD 120



<https://cphmajaz.com/>

Visa

If a visa is required to enter the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and you require assistance from the Local Organizing Committee (LOC), please complete your registration and submit all required documents no later than 25 December 2026.

Requests received after this deadline may not be processed by the Local Organizing Committee (LOC).

Required Documents:

- A recent color passport-size photo with a white background, in JPG format.
- A full-color, clear copy of the passport, including the passport cover, valid for at least six (6) months from the date of entry into the UAE.
- A copy of the participant's national ID card, if available.

Please ensure that all documents and images are clear and of high quality.

Finance

All payments must be made via bank transfer to the account details provided below no later than 4 January 2027. Once the transfer is completed, please email a scanned copy of the payment confirmation/receipt to the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) for verification.

Please ensure payment is made before the deadline to avoid any processing delays.

Bank Account Details:

Account Name: Al Thiqah Club

Address: Sharjah University City Road, Sharjah, UAE

Bank: Sharjah Islamic Bank

Branch: Main Branch

IBAN: AE310410000011320161001

Account Number: 0011320161001

SWIFT Code: NBSHAEASXXX

Cancellation, Refund & Accreditation

Until 24 December 2026:

No cancellation charges will apply.

From 25 December 2026 to 4 January 2027 (inclusive):

Cancellations will be subject to a charge equivalent to two hotel nights.

From 5 January 2027 onwards:

No refunds or changes will be permitted.

Accreditation

The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) will issue accreditation to participants who have fulfilled all participation requirements outlined in this document and any subsequent updates.

Participants are required to wear their accreditation card at all times during the event.

To obtain accreditation, participants must submit all required information within the specified deadlines.

ATHLETE SERVICES

Medical Services

The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) will provide on-site emergency medical care throughout the competition.

All participating NPCs are responsible for ensuring that every member of their delegation has adequate accident, medical, and travel insurance covering their stay in the United Arab Emirates and their participation in sporting activities.

Any costs related to additional medical examinations, treatments, hospitalization, medication, or other healthcare services must be covered by the patient or the respective NPC. Teams are therefore strongly advised to obtain comprehensive insurance coverage before travelling.

Additional medical treatment is available at nearby hospitals and medical facilities at the patient's or NPC's own expense.

For emergency ambulance services in the UAE, please call 998, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

ATHLETE SERVICES

Doping Control

Athletes participating in the Sharjah 2027 International Open Para Athletics Meeting may be subject to doping control in accordance with the applicable World Para Athletics and World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) rules and regulations.

CLASSIFICATION

National Classification

National classification will be provided only for new athletes who do not currently hold a classification. This classification is valid solely for the purpose of ensuring fair competition at this event and will not be recognized internationally.

The classification decision made for the purpose of this competition shall be considered final, and no classification protests will be permitted during the event.

TEAM SERVICES

Training Camps

Teams or athletes planning to hold training camps before and/or after the competition must submit a request by email to the Local Organizing Committee (LOC).

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For general competition enquiries, please contact the Competition Coordinator. Visa, logistics, medical and finance enquiries should be directed to the relevant coordinator above.

DESTINATION

Visit Sharjah

Visit Sharjah — Where Inspiration Meets Tradition
Achieve Your Best Performances — In a City That Elevates You
Enjoy Your Stay — With Warm Hospitality and Timeless Charm
Share Your Memories — And Let Sharjah's Spirit Stay With You

