

## Courses

# Classifier Seminar

<b>City</b>	Bradenton, Florida IMG Academy 5650 Bollettieri Blvd, Bradenton, FL 34210
<b>Nation</b>	<b>United States</b>
<b>Date</b>	<b>May 24, 2026 - May 28, 2026</b>
<b>Timezone of venue</b>	Eastern Standard Time (GMT 5)
<b>Participation</b>	INTERNATIONAL OPEN The number of participants is unlimited.
<b>Quota</b>	None
<b>Federation</b>	World Para Fencing (governed by World Abilitysport)
<b>Organizer</b>	World Para Fencing
<b>Contact</b>	engarde@worldparafencing.org
<b>Further information</b>	<a href="https://iwas.ophardt.online/en/widget/event/678">https://iwas.ophardt.online/en/widget/event/678</a> View entries and results
<b>Entries</b>	Entries to: <a href="https://iwas.ophardt.online/">https://iwas.ophardt.online/</a> <b>until Apr 10, 2026, 11:59:00 PM British Summer Time</b> only by: Club , National federation Cancel until Apr 10, 2026, 11:59:00 PM British Summer Time E-Mail: <a href="mailto:engarde@worldparafencing.org">engarde@worldparafencing.org</a> AND <a href="mailto:classification@worldparafencing.org">classification@worldparafencing.org</a>

Begin	Ends	Events	allowed	Quota	Entry fee		
24.05.	09:00	28.05.	18:00	None open   Senior	1927 - 2013	6	£100.00

Payment	Payment	Surcharge	Remarks
	Invoice	- -	The invoices are generated after the event based on actual results

**Head instructor / manager** Anita Laszlo

Booking options		
Double Room Rate (per person, per night)		\$190.00
Single Room Rate (per person, per night)		\$295.00

**Accommodation** Legacy Hotel at IMG Academy  
5450 Bollettieri Blvd, Bradenton, FL 34210, USA

Academy Park Villas at IMG Academy  
5450 Bollettieri Blvd, Bradenton, FL 34210, USA

**Accommodations at IMG are available beginning 24 May 2026 and ending 31 May 2026**

**Catering** Package (Full Board)

**Remarks** **REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION**

Candidates who wish to become accredited National Classifiers and undertake further training for International Accreditation, must have the following education/professional requirements:

- must be a certified health professional eg, Physiotherapists, Medical Practitioners, persons with sports science or medical/biological degrees
- or
- must be persons with a technical knowledge of the sport who are no longer involved in an international level with a national team, eg coaches or retired international athletes.

Other interested persons may take the course for their own information or to become National Accredited classifiers only.

**All participants have to send their CV, a cover letter and a support letter from their national federation via email until the entry deadline to:**

**- World Para Fencing: [engarde@worldparafencing.org](mailto:engarde@worldparafencing.org)**

**- Head of classification: [classification@worldparafencing.org](mailto:classification@worldparafencing.org)**

### **English Language Proficiency**

All participants must have a basic command of English. The seminar is conducted exclusively in English.

### **COURSE CONTENT**

The course is designed to inform and guide trainees through the process and understanding of wheelchair Fencing classification. Practical sessions will demonstrate the techniques and approach taken. Participants will observe and take part in classification of athletes and observation of athletes during competition.

### **ASSESSMENT**

Trainees will be assessed on their competency and understanding and will take a written examination as well as any oral questioning deemed necessary. Where appropriate trainees will be awarded a certificate for a National Accredited Classifier, or once the international standards and experience have been achieved, International Accredited Classifier Status will be awarded.

### **VISA**

If any participant needs to apply for visa, please let the LOC know as soon as possible (by the website: <https://www.usafencing.org/paraworldcup2026/> ) and they will send you a VISA invitation letter. Note: Early application is advised for participants who require entry visa.

### **INSURANCE**

All participants should insure themselves in case of accidents, injuries or illness. The organizer will not accept any responsibility or financial loss or any other responsibility incurred by any of the participants whatsoever.

### **REGISTRATION**

All entries have to be done via the Ophardt system:

<https://iwas.ophardt.online/>

**DEADLINE: 12 April 2026**

Also, please inform the local Organizing Committee about your participation in the classifier seminar and coordinate your accommodation, and share travel details, special needs etc. directly with them.

**[paraworldcup@usafencing.org](mailto:paraworldcup@usafencing.org)**

**DEADLINE: 12 April 2026**

Remarks:

The Room Rates also include 3 buffet style meals per day (from dinner on your arrival day until breakfast on your departure date).

The data from Entry Forms and Ophardt system must be consistent and current.

It is responsibility of the national federations to inform World Abilitysport AND the local Organizing Committee about any changes and keep all data up-to-date.

Invoices for entered participants (Room Rates) will be sent to you by the local organizers.

If you have any particular food requirements, please send an email to

paraworldcup@usafencing.org.

### **PAYMENTS FOR ROOM RATES**

All accommodation and accreditation fees must be paid in full to the organizers directly **by 1 May 2026** using the following bank details:

Bank name: Bell Bank

Bank address: 3100 13th Avenue South, Fargo, ND 58103

Account holder: United States Fencing Association DBA USA Fencing

Address: 210 USA Cycling Point, Suite 120, Colorado Springs, CO 80919

Account Number: 6521497377

SWIFT: BSTTUS44

The party making payment will be responsible for bank charges, if any.

### **LATE ENTRIES / REGISTRATIONS**

In exceptional situations of

- the registration of accommodation packages with the local organizers after **17 April 2026**

- the registration of referees in the Ophardt system after **12 April 2026** may be considered by LOC and World Abilitysport and may be accepted.

In this case a 20% penalty fee will be added to Room Rates by the local organizers for each late entry.

### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

Cancellations after the closing deadline for entries are only possible for medical reasons or force majeure, which have to be proved. The national federation must inform World Abilitysport **AND** the local organizers.

Any cancellation of ordered accommodation packages **after 17 April but before 24 April** will result in applying the cancellation fee:

**75% of packages that have been ordered and cancelled.**

Any cancellation of ordered accommodation packages **after April 24** will result in applying the cancellation fee:

**100% of package that have been ordered and cancelled.**