

Paralympics Games

- The Paralympic Games are the equivalent Olympics for athletes with physical, visual or mental disabilities.



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- **Oscar Leonard Carl Pistorius** was born on 22 November 1986 and he is a South African sprint runner, and convicted killer. Although both of his legs were amputated below the knee when he was 11 months old, he has competed in events for single below-knee amputees and for able-bodied athletes.

His effort

- After becoming a Paralympic champion, **Pistorius** attempted to enter able-bodied international competition, over persistent objections of the IAAF and charges that his artificial limbs gave an unfair advantage. **Pistorius** eventually prevailed in this legal dispute.

Participation in Olympic Games

- At the 2011 World Championships in Athletics, **Pistorius** became the first amputee to win an able-bodied world track medal. At the 2012 Summer Olympics, **Pistorius** became the first double leg amputee to participate in the Olympics when he entered the men's 400 metres and 4 × 400 metres relay races. At the 2012 Summer Paralympics, **Pistorius** won gold medals in the men's 400-metre race and in the 4 × 100 metres relay, setting world records in both events. He also took silver in the 200-metre race, having set a world record in the semifinals.

His achievements on 100m.

- On 100m.(classT44)he has won a total of 9 medals. Seven of those are gold, one of those is silver and the other is bronze. His best score is 10.91, which is also World Record (WR).



His achievements on 200m.

- On 200m.(class T44) he won a total of 10 medals. Nine of those are gold and the other is silver. His best score is 21.58, which is also World Record (WR).



His achievements on 400m.

On 400m.(class T44) he won a total of 5 medals. All of those are gold. His best score is 46.68, which is also World Record (WR). Moreover, on 4x100m. he won two gold medals. His team and Oscar managed to score 41.78, which is also World Record (WR).



His trial

- On Valentine's Day 2013, **Pistorius** fatally shot his girlfriend, **Reeva Steenkamp**, in his Pretoria home. He said he had mistaken **Steenkamp** for an intruder, but he was arrested and charged with murder. At his trial the following year, **Pistorius** was found guilty of homicide. He received a five-year prison sentence for homicide and a concurrent three-year suspended prison sentence for a separate reckless endangerment conviction. In November, prosecutors asked the sentencing judge for permission to appeal the verdict; permission was granted in December and the case will next be presented to a five-person panel at the Supreme Court of Appeal.



VIDEOS

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BBDg1ChJfwk>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A9Wlp1sTnoY>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ePlB3pu7QDg>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PEIEpXQxbas>

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