

# Media Release

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## **SINGAPORE QUALIFIES FOR BEIJING 2008 PARALYMPICS**

Singapore qualified for the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games in thrilling fashion by winning the IFDS Two-Person Keelboat 2008 World Championship on the final day of racing.

After some indifferent form in the last two races held on Tuesday, the host country team of Jovin Tan and Desiree Lim capped off the championship with a strong showing by finishing in second, first and third place in the three races that were held today. This enabled Team Singapore to bounce back from Tuesday's third place ranking to finish as Champions.

China wasted its chances of winning the championship by incurring a false start during Race 9 today. They slipped to second place in the final rankings. Team Portugal finished in fifth place in the final race of the day to end off third in the overall rankings on 18 points.

Due to favorable weather conditions, the championship will end one day ahead of the scheduled final race day tomorrow.

Team Singapore will walk away with the Champion Trophy as well as a \$5000 cash prize, sponsored by NOL Ltd. The official closing ceremony will be held tomorrow at the Grand Mercure Roxy Singapore Hotel at 6.30pm.

For more information about the IFDS Two-Person Keelboat 2008 World Championship, visit:

Event Website & Results: [www.sdsc.org.sg](http://www.sdsc.org.sg)

IFDS Website: [www.sailing.org/disabled](http://www.sailing.org/disabled)

SKUD 18 Class Webpage: [www.skud.org](http://www.skud.org)

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