

Oscar Pistorius profile



■ **Nov 22, 1986:** Born in Johannesburg. Without fibulas since birth, both legs amputated below knee

■ **2001:** Mother dies after allergic reaction to malaria treatment

■ **2003:** Keen sportsman at school, turns to sprinting after rugby injury

■ **2004:** Running on carbon fibre prosthetic “cheetah blades”, becomes Paralympic gold medallist and 200m world record holder

■ **Jan 2008:** Banned by IAAF from competing against able-bodied athletes for “unfair advantage” – later overruled by Court of Arbitration for Sport

■ **Aug 2008:** Wins three golds at Beijing Paralympics

■ **2011:** Helps South Africa to IAAF World Championships relay final

■ **2012:** First double amputee to compete at Olympics. Wins two golds and a silver at London Paralympics

■ **Feb 14, 2013:** Accused of killing girlfriend Reeva Steenkamp