



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES 2018

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY FEDERATION

Hockey
Hockey5s

A. EVENTS (2)

Men's Events (1)	Women's Events (1)
10-team tournament	10-team tournament

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. **Total Quota for Hockey:**

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Universality Places	Total
Men	9 / 10 teams	1 team	n/a	10 teams (90 athletes)
Women	9 / 10 teams		n/a	10 teams (90 athletes)
Total	19 teams	1 team	n/a	20 teams (180 athletes)

2. **Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:**

	Quota per NOC
Men	1 team (9 athletes)
Women	1 team (9 athletes)
Total	2 teams (18 athletes)*

* According to the Buenos Aires 2018 Qualification Systems Principles, participation in team sports shall be limited to one women's and one men's team per NOC across team sports (Football, Handball, Hockey, and Rugby) with the exception of the host country who can enter one team per sport.

3. **Type of Allocation of Quota Places:**

The quota place is allocated to the NOC.

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to, Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors). Only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Youth Olympic Games.

Age

To be eligible to participate in the Youth Olympic Games, athletes must have been born between 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2003.



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D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

The 10-team tournament for both men and women shall consist of two (2) national teams per continent.

Each continent will organise one or several qualification Continental Hockey5s Qualification Tournaments between 1 April 2017 and 23 June 2018:

- Africa will organise a Hockey5s tournament (men and women – 5 – 15 July 2017, Algiers, Algeria)
- Asia will organise a Hockey5s tournament (men and; women – dates and venue to be confirmed by October 2016)
- Europe will organise several (exact number to be confirmed) Hockey 5s tournaments (men and women – dates and venues to be confirmed by October 2016)
- Oceania will organise a Hockey5s tournament (men and women – dates and venue to be confirmed by October 2016)
- Pan America will organise a Hockey5s tournament (men and women – dates and venue(s) to be confirmed by October 2016)

QUALIFICATION PLACES

MEN & WOMEN

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
D.1: 9 or 10 men teams 9 or 10 women teams	D.1 Continental Hockey5s Qualification Tournaments The two (2) best ranked NOCs from the following Continental Hockey5s Qualification Tournaments will be allocated one (1) quota place respectively: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Africa • Asia • Europe • Oceania • Pan America Should the Host NOC not finish among the two (2) best ranked teams and decide to enter one (1) team through the Host Country Places (see section below) only the best ranked team from the Pan American continental qualification tournament will obtain one (1) quota place.

HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country will automatically qualify one (1) men's or one (1) women's team on the condition that athletes meet the eligibility requirements described under point C of this document.



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E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION PLACES

FIH shall confirm NOCs' qualification place(s) immediately following each qualifying event. NOCs will then have to confirm in writing to the FIH and BAYOGOC the use of their quota place by 6 July 2018.

At the conclusion of the last qualifying event of the four team sports (Football, Handball, Hockey, and Rugby), the FIH will communicate in writing the final confirmation of qualification to the NOCs with a copy to the relevant National Associations.

CONFIRMATION OF HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country must confirm in writing to the FIH and BAYOGOC by 6 July 2018 the use of its Host Country Places.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

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If a quota place allocated is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of quota place deadline or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be reallocated to the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified from the relevant Continental Hockey5s Qualification Tournament(s).

If the quota place is still available, it will be reallocated to the next best-ranked NOC from the respective Continental Hockey5s Qualification Tournament following the order of priority below:

- Europe
- Asia
- Pan America
- Africa
- Oceania

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Any unused Host Country Places (declined or achieved through D.1 the Pan American qualifying tournament) will be reallocated to the next best-ranked NOC of the respective gender not yet qualified from the Pan American qualifying tournament until the continental allocation is accepted.

If the quota place is still available, the quota place will be reallocated according to section Reallocation of Unused Quota Place.



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G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Qualification	By October 2016	Date by which all Continental Qualification Events are specified
	1 April 2017 – 30 June 2018	YOG 2018 qualification period for team sports
	16 – 22 October 2017	Asian Women’s Continental Qualification – venue(s) to be advised
	6 – 12 November 2017	Asian Men’s Continental Qualification – Dhaka (BAN)
	<date>*	African Men’s and Women’s Continental Qualification – Algiers (ALG)
	12 – 15 July 2017	European Women’s Continental Qualification – Wattignies, (FRA)
	5 – 8 July 2017	European Men’s Continental Qualification – Walcz (POL)
	10 – 17 March 2018	Pan American Men’s and Women’s Continental Qualification - Guadalajara (MEX)
	May 2018	Oceanian Men’s and Women’s Continental Qualification – Port Moresby (PNG)
Accreditation Deadline	<date>*	Buenos Aires 2018 Accreditation Deadline (All potential athletes must be registered in the system)
Inform and Confirm	Following each qualification event	FIH to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places
	6 July 2018	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to FIH and BAYOGOC
	<date>*	Host Country to confirm the use of its quota place to the FIH and BAYOGOC
Reallocation	17 July 2018	FIH to reallocate all unused quota places and NOCs to confirm
	30 August 2018	End of reallocation period
Sport Entries Deadline	31 August 2018	Entries deadline (by name) for all sports
Finalisation of DRP Deadline	<date>*	Finalisation of DRP Deadline
YOG	6 – 18 October 2018	3 rd Summer Youth Olympic Games – Buenos Aires 2018

*To be defined