



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES 2018

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY FEDERATION

Hockey Hockey5s

A. EVENTS (2)

Men's Events (1)	Women's Events (1)
12-team tournament	12-team tournament

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Hockey:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Total
Men	11 teams	1 team	12 teams (108 athletes)
Women	11 teams	1 team	12 teams (108 athletes)
Total	22 teams	2 teams	24 teams (216 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 (1) women's and one (1) men's team per NOC across team sports (Football, Handball, Hockey, and Rugby) with the exception of the host country who can enter one (1) team per gender in Hockey.

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 12-team tournament for both men and women shall consist of two (2) national teams per continent plus the host country and one (1) additional team as outlined below.

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 for men and women – 19-28 July 2018 in Algiers (ALG)
- Asia will organise a Hockey5s tournament for men and women.
 - Men – 6-12 November 2017 in Dhaka (BAN)
 - Women – 16-22 October 2017 – venue TBC
- Europe will organise a Hockey5s tournament for men and women.
 - Men – 5-8 July 2017 in Walcz (POL)
 - Women – 12-15 July 2017 in Wattignies (FRA)
- Oceania will organise a Hockey5s tournament for men and women – 23-29 April 2018 in Port Moresby (PNG)
- Pan America will organise a Hockey5s tournament for men and women – 10-16 March 2018 in Guadalajara (MEX)

QUALIFICATION PLACES

MEN

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
D.1: 10 men teams	<p>D.1 Continental Hockey5s Qualification Tournaments</p> <p>The two (2) best ranked NOCs from the following Continental Hockey5s Qualification Tournaments will be allocated one (1) quota place respectively:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Africa • Asia • Europe • Oceania • Pan America <p>Should the Host NOC finish among the two (2) best ranked teams in the Pan American continental qualification tournament, the next best ranked team from the Pan American continental qualification tournament will obtain one (1) quota place.</p>
D.2: 1 men's team	<p>D.2 Final qualification place</p> <p>In order to determine which continent will obtain one (1) additional quota place, the FIH has conducted a draw to determine the allocation order. The link to the draw can be found here.</p> <p>The quota place will be allocated to the best ranked NOC not yet qualified at the continental qualification tournament in the following order:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oceania • Asia • Europe • Africa • Pan America



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WOMEN

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
D.3: 10 women teams	D.1 Continental Hockey5s Qualification Tournaments <p>The two (2) best ranked NOCs from the following Continental Hockey5s Qualification Tournaments will be allocated one (1) quota place respectively:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Africa• Asia• Europe• Oceania• Pan America <p>Should the Host NOC finish among the two (2) best ranked teams in the Pan American continental qualification tournament, the next best ranked team from the Pan American continental qualification tournament will obtain one (1) quota place.</p>
D.4: 1 women's team	D.2 Final qualification place <p>In order to determine which continent will obtain one (1) additional quota place, the FIH has conducted a draw to determine the allocation order. The link to the draw can be found here.</p> <p>The quota place will be allocated to the best ranked NOC not yet qualified at the continental qualification tournament in the following order:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Africa• Asia• Europe• Oceania• Pan America

HOST COUNTRY PLACES

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

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION PLACES

FIH shall confirm NOCs' qualification place(s) within 2 weeks following each qualifying event. NOCs will then have to confirm in writing to the FIH and BAYOGOC the provisional acceptance of the quota place within 2 weeks of the date of notification.

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.



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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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For the places obtained at the Continental Hockey5s Qualification Tournaments (**D.1 & D.3**), 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 (eg. no NOC accepted the place), 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

For the final qualification places (**D.2 & D.4**) 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 highest ranked NOC not qualified under D1 or D3 above following the order of priority below:

D.2 Men:

- Asia
- Europe
- Africa
- Pan America
- Oceania

D.4 Women:

- Asia
- Europe
- Oceania
- Pan America
- Africa

The priority order will be followed until the quota places have been filled.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Any unused Host Country Places (declined or achieved through D.1 or D.3 at 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.



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

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Qualification	1 April 2017 – 30 June 2018	YOG 2018 qualification period for team sports
	5 – 8 July 2017	European Men's Continental Qualification – Walcz (POL)
	12 – 15 July 2017	European Women's Continental Qualification – Wattignies, (FRA)
	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)
	10 – 17 March 2018	Pan American Men's and Women's Continental Qualification - Guadalajara (MEX)
	23 – 29 April 2018	Oceanian Men's and Women's Continental Qualification – Port Moresby (PNG)
	19 – 28 July 2018	African Men's and Women's Continental Qualification – Algiers (ALG)
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
	1 October 2017	Host Country to confirm the use of its quota place to the FIH and BAYOGOC
	TBC	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to FIH and BAYOGOC
Reallocation	TBC	FIH to reallocate all unused quota places and NOCs to confirm within 48 hours of notification
	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