



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM
GAMES OF THE XXXIV OLYMPIAD – LA28

World Aquatics (AQUA)

ARTISTIC SWIMMING



A. EVENTS (2)

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Duet

Team

B. QUOTA PLACES

B.1. Total quota places for artistic swimming

Total

QUOTA PLACES

88

88

HOST COUNTRY QUOTA PLACES

8

8

TOTAL

96

96

B.2. Maximum number of athletes per National Olympic Committee

Team and duet

Duet

QUOTA PLACES PER NOC

8

2

EVENT-SPECIFIC QUOTA

Maximum 1 team of 8 athletes. Duet included in the total of 8 athletes.

or

Maximum 1 duet of 2 athletes.

NOCs qualified in both the team and duet competitions may enter a maximum of eight athletes. Teams will be formed in accordance with the [World Aquatics Competition Regulations](#).

B.3. Type of allocation of quota places:

The quota place is allocated to the NOC.

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must respect and comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors) and Rule 43 (World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions).

Only those athletes who respect and comply with the Olympic Charter, the World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions, including the conditions of participation established by the IOC, plus the rules of World Aquatics, may participate in the LA28 Olympic Games.

Age Requirements

- C.1.** All competing athletes at the LA28 Olympic Games must have been born on or before 31 December 2014 (i.e. be at least 14 years old or reaching this age on 31 December 2028), with the date validated by the passport used for accreditation registration.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

The qualification events are listed in priority order of qualification. Athlete and team eligibility for qualification must be maintained to ensure eligibility to participate in the LA28 Olympic Games.

Number of quota places	Qualification events
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D.1. Team qualification: 10 teams

MEN / WOMEN

Priority 1

3 teams
(24 athletes)

Budapest 2027 World Aquatics Championships, 26 June – 18 July 2027, Budapest (HUN)

The sum of the scores achieved in the finals of the technical, free and acrobatic routines will produce the World Championships Team Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28.

The three highest-placed NOCs, based on the World Championships Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28, will obtain a quota place.

Should any continental championships be held prior to the Budapest 2027 World Aquatics Championships, the results will be taken into consideration after the quota places from the Budapest 2027 World Aquatics Championships have been awarded.

In the event of a tie in the World Championships Team Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28 that yields more than three teams, all teams involved in the tie will receive a quota place.

Priority 2

1 team
(8 athletes)

Host country

The host country NOC will receive a team quota place and will also be the continental representative from the Americas.

Priority 3

Up to 4 teams
(up to 32 athletes)

2027 continental championships (dates and locations TBC)

Up to four teams (32 athletes) can qualify through their respective 2027 continental championships. However, the number of teams and athletes may be reduced depending on which NOCs have qualified via priority 1.

The continents of the three NOCs that received a quota place through priority 1, plus the Americas - based on the host country NOC qualifying in priority 2 - will not receive an additional continental quota place through priority 3 qualifying.

Only those continents that have not already received a quota place through priorities 1 or 2 will be able to qualify through priority 3.

At each continental championships for those continents that have not yet received a quota place (Africa, Asia, Europe or Oceania), the sum of the scores achieved in the finals of the technical, free and acrobatic routines will produce the Continental Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28.

The highest-placed NOC in the continental championships of continents that have not yet qualified through priority 1 or 2, based on the Continental Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28, will obtain a quota place.

If, for any reason, a continent's highest-placed Member Federation at the continental championships chooses not to use its team quota place from priority 3, the next highest-placed Member Federation at the continental championships will obtain a team quota place for its NOC, provided that continent has not already qualified through priorities 1 or 2.

Should continental championships in 2027 allow multiple entries per NOC, only the highest-scoring team will be taken into consideration.

All continental championships must be registered as World Aquatics Artistic Swimming Recognised Events and must submit the “Continental Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28” to World Aquatics.

The quota places for continents that do not have a continental championships in 2027 will be allocated to the highest-placed NOC from that continent at the Budapest 2027 World Aquatics Championships. If a continent is not represented at the Budapest 2027 World Aquatics Championships, the quota place for that continent will be reallocated via the priority 4 pathway outlined below (World Aquatics 2028 Artistic Swimming World Cup Super Final).

In the event of a tie in the Continental Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28 that yields two or more teams, all teams involved in the tie will receive a quota place.

Priority 4

Remaining team quota places (up to 10 teams)

World Aquatics 2028 Artistic Swimming World Cup Super Final (dates and locations TBC)

The number of teams that qualify through the World Aquatics Artistic Swimming World Cup Super Final will depend on the number of remaining quota places needed to reach the maximum of 10 teams, after subtracting all the teams already qualified via priorities 1, 2 and 3.

The sum of the scores achieved in the finals of the technical, free and acrobatic routines will produce the World Cup Super Final Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28.

The highest-placed non-qualified NOCs in the World Cup Super Final Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28, will obtain a quota place. NB: it is anticipated that there will be three or four teams depending on previous qualifying, but the maximum quota of 10 teams may not be exceeded under any circumstances.

If any of the NOCs have already qualified through the 2027 World Championships or continental championships, the next highest-placed NOCs in the World Cup Super Final Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28 will obtain a quota place.

In the event of a tie in priority 1 and/or 3 that yields more than the allocated number of NOCs per priority pathway, the total NOC quota places from priority 4 may be reduced. The maximum quota of 10 teams may not be exceeded under any circumstances. Final tie resolution shall be determined in accordance with the current [World Aquatics Competition Regulations](#).

Number of quota places		Qualification events
D.2. Duet qualification: 18 duets		
WOMEN	Priority 1 10 duets (20 athletes already included within the team quota)	Duets qualified based on team qualification The 10 NOCs qualified for the team competition (including the host country) will each have one duet qualify directly. The athletes who form these 10 duets must come from the pool of eight athletes competing as part of the qualified team.
	Priority 2 5 duets (10 athletes)	Budapest 2027 World Aquatics Championships, 26 June – 18 July 2027, Budapest (HUN) The sum of the scores achieved in the finals, of the technical and free routines will produce the World Championships Ranking for Olympic Qualification LA28. The five highest-placed non-qualified NOCs in the World Championships Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28 (noting that 10 duets will have qualified through the team qualification) will obtain a quota place. If any of the NOCs have already qualified through the team qualification, the next highest-placed NOCs at the World Championships using the Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28, will obtain a quota place. In the event of a tie that yields more than five duets from among the five highest-placed non-qualified NOCs in the World Championships Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28, all duets involved in the tie will receive a quota place.
WOMEN	Priority 3 3 duets (6 athletes)	World Aquatics 2028 Artistic Swimming World Cup Super Final (dates and locations TBC) The sum of the scores achieved in the finals of the technical and free routines will produce the World Cup Super Final Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28. The three highest-placed non-qualified NOCs in the World Aquatics 2028 Artistic Swimming World Cup Super Final, based on the Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28, will obtain a quota place for the Olympic Games. In the event of a tie in priority 2 that yields more than the allocated number of NOCs, the total NOC quota places from priority 3 may be reduced. The maximum quota of 18 duets may not be exceeded under any circumstances. Final tie resolution shall be determined in accordance with the current World Aquatics Competition Regulations .

Host country places

The host country will have the right to enter one team and one duet in the Olympic Games while adhering to the maximum number of athlete quota places per NOC as outlined in section B.

E. CONFIRMATION

Confirmation of qualification places

- E.1.** Following each qualification event, World Aquatics will publish the results on its website (www.worldaquatics.com) and inform the respective NOCs of their allocated quota places.

The NOCs will then have two weeks to confirm if they wish to use these quota places, as detailed in section H, “**Qualification timeline**”. World Aquatics will contact each NOC to confirm all quota places.

Confirmation of host country places

- E.2.** The host country must confirm the use of the allocated quota places to World Aquatics after the end of the Budapest 2027 World Aquatics Championships, on or before 17 August 2027.

F. REALLOCATION

Reallocation of unused quota places

- F.1.** If an NOC declines its allocated quota place(s), or does not enter a team or duet that qualified through either the Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28 at the Budapest 2027 World Aquatics Championships or through the Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28 at the World Aquatics 2028 Artistic Swimming World Cup Super Final, the unused quota place(s) will be reallocated to the next highest-ranked eligible duet(s) or team(s) not yet qualified, based on the results of the World Aquatics 2028 Artistic Swimming World Cup Super Final.

If an NOC declines its allocated continental quota place or does not enter the team that qualified through the Continental Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28 (priority 3), the next highest-placed NOC at those continental championships will obtain a team quota place for its NOC, provided the continent has not already qualified through priority 1.

If all NOCs from a given Continental Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28 decline their quota place by the deadline, or fail to confirm that they will be using it, the quota place will be reallocated to the highest-ranked non-qualified NOC in the Ranking for Olympic Qualification for LA28 at the World Aquatics Artistic Swimming World Cup Super Final.

Reallocation of unused host country places

- F.2.** If, for any reason, the host country NOC chooses not to use its team quota place from priority 2, the next highest-placed NOC at the Pan American Games will obtain a team quota place for its NOC, provided an NOC from Americas has not qualified through priority 1.

G. AP ALTERNATE ATHLETES

“Ap” athletes are non-competing athletes accredited in the “Ap” category who have different entitlements from competing athletes (accredited as “Aa”), as described in the “Ap” accreditation quotas and conditions outlined in IOC ACR Annex 1 – Accreditation at the Olympic Games – Detailed Specification. These participants are not part of the athlete quota as described in section **B, “Athlete quota”**. “Ap” alternate athletes could become competing athletes only under the conditions outlined in the IOC/LA28 Late Athlete Replacement Policy.

Eligibility:

Ap alternate athletes must comply with the same eligibility rules as competing athletes as described in section **C, “Athlete eligibility”**.

Quota:

Each qualified team is entitled to one Ap alternate athlete. Duets are not entitled to any Ap alternate athletes.

H. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Qualification	TBC	Africa:
	TBC	Americas:
	TBC	Asia:
	TBC	Europe:
	TBC	Oceania:
Confirmation	Two weeks after each of the continental championships	World Aquatics to inform NOCs/NFs of their allocated places
	Two weeks after the previous step(s)	NOCs/NFs to confirm use of allocated quota places to World Aquatics
Qualification	26 June – 18 July 2027	Budapest 2027 World Aquatics Championships (specific dates: 11-18 July)
Confirmation	3 August 2027	World Aquatics to inform NOCs/NFs of their allocated quota places
	17 August 2027	Date by which all NOCs/NFs that have qualified via Budapest 2027 must confirm their use of allocated quota places to World Aquatics
Qualification	April/May 2028	World Aquatics 2028 World Cup Super Final (date and location to be confirmed)
Confirmation	Two weeks after the Olympic Games qualification event	World Aquatics to inform NOCs/NFs of their allocated quota places
	Two weeks after the previous step	NOCs/NFs to confirm use of allocated quota places to World Aquatics
Reallocation	Date to be confirmed	World Aquatics to reallocate all unused quota places
Sport Entries deadline	26 June 2028	LA28 Olympic Games Sport Entries deadline
	24 July 2028	Technical meeting
Games time	14-30 July 2028	LA 28 Olympic Games (specific dates are 25-29 July)