



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – GAMES OF THE XXXII OLYMPIAD – TOKYO 2020

WORLD ROWING FEDERATION (FISA)

Rowing

A. EVENTS (14)

Men's Events (7)	Women's Events (7)
Single Sculls (1x)	Single Sculls (1x)
Pair (2-)	Pair (2-)
Double Sculls (2x)	Double Sculls (2x)
Four (4-)	Four (4-)
Quadruple Sculls (4x)	Quadruple Sculls (4x)
Eight (8+)	Eight (8+)
Lightweight Double Sculls (2x)	Lightweight Double Sculls (2x)

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Rowing:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Tripartite Commission Invitation Places	Total
Men	260*	1	2	263
Women	260*	1	2	263
Total	520	2	4	526

* Coxswains are members of the crew and are included in the quota of qualification places. The gender of the coxswain shall be open so that a men's crew may be coxed by a woman and a women's crew by a man.

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC	Event Specific Quota
Men	24	1 boat per event
Women	24	1 boat per event
Total	48	

3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota places are allocated to the NOCs.

For quota places obtained at the 2019 World Rowing Championships in Linz-Ottensheim, Austria in August 2019 and at the African Continental Qualification regatta in Tunis, Tunisia in October 2019 the NOC may enter a boat with different athletes at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 than those who qualified the boat and these athletes may row in different events at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 than those in which they competed in 2019.



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For quota places obtained at the Asian-Oceania, Americas and European Continental Qualification regattas and the Final Qualification regatta staged in 2021, the athletes that qualified the boat(s) at these events must compete in the same event if they compete in any events at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020. Similarly, in the case of Tripartite Commission Invitation Places, the places are allocated to specific athletes and these athletes must participate in the events if the place is accepted.

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

1. Eligibility for the Olympic Games

All athletes must 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 Manipulation of Competitions). Only those athletes who comply with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.

2. Eligibility to qualify for the Olympic Games

To be eligible to participate in the 2019 World Rowing Championships, all athletes must be eligible under FISA Rules and Regulations ("Eligibility and Nationality" Rule 19 on page 51 of the FISA Rule Book <http://www.worldrowing.com/fisa/publications/rule-book>).

To be eligible to participate in the continental Olympic qualification regattas and the final Olympic qualification regatta, all athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors).

To be eligible for a Tripartite Commission Invitation Place in Rowing, athletes proposed from an NOC must attend and participate in at least one of the qualification events and be eligible for the Olympic Games (as explained in the paragraph **C. Athlete Eligibility**).

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

QUALIFICATION PLACES

Number of boat quota places available per qualification event
(subject to the reallocation of unused quota places):

	2019 World Champs	Continental Qualification Regattas				Final Qualif Regatta	Total Boats	Total Athletes
		Asia/ Oceania	Africa	Americas	European			
Men								
Single Sculls (M1x)	9	5	5	5	3	2	29	29
Pair (M2-)	11	-	-	-		2	13	26
Double Sculls (M2x)	11	-	-	-		2	13	26
Four (M4-)	8	-	-	-		2	10	40
Quadruple Sculls (M4x)	8	-	-	-		2	10	40
Eight (M8+)	5	-	-	-		2	7	63
Men Lightweight								
Double Sculls (LM2x)	7	3	1	3	2	2	18	36
Other								
Host Country Places (M1x)							1	1



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Tripartite Places (M1x)							2	2
Total Men's Boats	59	8	6	8	5	14	103	263

Number of boat quota places available per qualification event (subject to the reallocation of unused quota places):

		Continental Qualification Regattas						
	2019 World Champs	Asia/ Oceania	Africa	Americas	European	Final Qualif Regatta	Total Boats	Total Athletes
Women								
Single Sculls (W1x)	9	5	5	5	3	2	29	29
Pair (W2-)	11	-	-	-		2	13	26
Double Sculls (W2x)	11	-	-	-		2	13	26
Four (W4-)	8	-	-	-		2	10	40
Quadruple Sculls (W4x)	8	-	-	-		2	10	40
Eight (W8+)	5	-	-	-		2	7	63
Women Lightweight								
Double Sculls (LW2x)	7	3	1	3	2	2	18	36
Other								
Host Country Places (W1x)							1	1
Tripartite Places (W1x)							2	2
Total Women's Boats	59	8	6	8	5	14	103	263

QUALIFICATION EVENTS

1. 2019 FISA World Rowing Championships Linz-Ottensheim (AUT)

The 2019 World Rowing Championships are open to all NOCs that have NFs that are members of FISA.

For each event, the NOCs of the highest placed crews at the 2019 World Rowing Championships will qualify according to the number of quota places indicated below:

Boat Class	Men	Men Lightweight	Women	Women Lightweight
Single Sculls (1x)	9	-	9	-
Pair (2-)	11	-	11	-
Double Sculls (2x)	11	7	11	7
Four (4-)	8	-	8	-
Quadruple Sculls (4x)	8	-	8	-
Eight (8+)	5	-	5	-



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2. FISA Continental Olympic Qualification Regattas

The Continental Qualification Regattas are open only to those NOCs that have qualified in only one event or have not qualified in any events at the 2019 World Rowing Championships.

There will be four (4) Continental Qualification Regattas:

- Asia/Oceania: Open to NOCs that are members of the Olympic Council of Asia and the Oceania National Olympic Committees;
- Africa: Open to NOCs that are members of the Association of National Olympic Committees of Africa;
- Americas: Open to NOCs that are members of Organización Deportiva Panamericana;
- Europe: Open to NOCs that are members of the European Olympic Committees.

There will be four (4) events at each Continental Qualification Regatta as listed in the table below.

For each event listed below, the NOCs of the highest placed boats at the relevant Continental Qualification Regatta will qualify according to the number of quota places indicated below:

Boat Class	Asia / Oceania	Africa	Americas	Europe
Men				
Single Sculls (1x)	5	5	5	3
Men Lightweight				
Double Sculls (2x)	3	1	3	2
Women				
Single Sculls (1x)	5	5	5	3
Women Lightweight				
Double Sculls (2x)	3	1	3	2

- An eligible NOC may only enter one (1) boat per event at the relevant Continental Qualification Regatta and only in the events in which they have not already qualified at the 2019 World Rowing Championships.
- Entries for the Continental Qualification regattas should be accompanied by a letter from the NOC confirming that the athletes entered are eligible according to **section C. Athlete Eligibility** above;
- The Continental Qualification Regattas will be held according to the FISA Rules of Racing and have the same status as World Rowing Championships (Rule 5, page 47);
- The sites of the Continental Qualification regattas shall be confirmed by the end of April 2020;
- Except as provided below, at the Continental Qualification Regattas, an NOC may qualify a maximum of one (1) boat. If two (2) boats from an NOC meet the qualification criteria at a Continental Qualification Regatta, then it is the highest-ranking boat that qualifies. In the case that two or more boats have an equal ranking other than first place (which is dealt with separately below), the NOC shall select one of these boats to qualify for the Games;
- For NOCs not having qualified any boats at the 2019 World Rowing Championships and having two boats placed first in two events at the Continental Qualification Regatta, both first placed boats shall qualify. Where an NOC as described in the first sentence above has more than two boats placing first at the Continental Qualification Regatta, the NOC shall select two of these boats to qualify for the Games.
- For NOCs having qualified one boat at the 2019 World Rowing Championships and having two or more boats placed first in events at the Continental Qualification Regatta, the NOC shall select one of these boats to qualify for the Games.



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- In all cases mentioned above, the NOC shall have two weeks from notification to decide which boat or boats shall qualify for the Games.

3. FISA Final Olympic Qualification Regatta

The Final Olympic Qualification regatta is open to all NOCs that have NFs that are members of FISA.

For the boat categories listed below, the highest placed NOCs at the Final Olympic Qualification Regatta will qualify according to the number of quota places indicated below:

Boat Class	Men	Men Lightweight	Women	Women Lightweight
Single Sculls (1x)	2	-	2	-
Pair (2-)	2	-	2	-
Double Sculls (2x)	2	2	2	2
Four (4-)	2	-	2	-
Quadruple Sculls (4x)	2	-	2	-
Eight (8+)	2	-	2	-

- Subject to **section C. Athlete Eligibility** above, all NOCs may enter boats in the Final Qualification Regatta in those events in which they have not yet qualified.
- An NOC may only enter one (1) boat per event at the Final Qualification Regatta, and only in the events in which they have not already qualified at the 2019 World Rowing Championships or Continental Qualification regatta.
- An NOC that entered a boat in an event at a Continental Qualification regatta but did not qualify, may also enter a boat and attempt to qualify in the same event at the Final Qualification Regatta.
- If an NOC intends to attempt to qualify a crew at the Final Olympic Qualification Regatta (FOQR) using a rower or rowers who have qualified a boat at a Continental Qualification regatta and plans to have the rower or rowers only compete at the Olympic Games in the crew that qualifies at the FOQR, the NOC and NF must notify FISA by 1 May 2021 (pending confirmation of date of FOQR) so that other NOCs/ NFs can be made aware and thus consider possible impacts on their crew(s) ranking and options to compete at the FOQR / qualify for the Olympics.
- If an NOC qualifies a crew at the FOQR and subsequently wishes to relinquish a place earned at the Continental Qualification regatta, it must declare this to FISA no later than two weeks after the last day of racing at the FOQR. The relinquished quota place from the FOQR will then be attributed by the FISA Executive Committee to the next best placed crew in that event at the FOQR from the same continent from an NOC/NF that has qualified a maximum of one crew for the Olympic Games and had also taken part in the relevant Continental Qualification Regatta.
- Entries for the Final Qualification Regatta should be accompanied by a letter from the NOC confirming that the athletes entered are eligible according to **paragraph C. Athlete Eligibility** above.
- The Final Qualification Regatta will be held according to the FISA Rules of Racing and have the same status as World Rowing Championships (Rule 5, page 47).

HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Should the Host Country not have achieved a man's or a woman's quota place at the various qualification events, it is guaranteed one (1) quota place for men's single sculls and one (1) for women's single sculls. If



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not used, these places will be reallocated in accordance with the paragraph “**Reallocation of Unused Host Country Places**” below.

TRIPARTITE COMMISSION INVITATION PLACES

Four (4) Tripartite Commission Invitation quota places are made available for eligible NOCs in the single sculls, two (2) for Men (M1x) and two (2) for Women (W1x).

On 14 October 2019, the International Olympic Committee will invite all eligible NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places. The deadline for NOCs to submit their requests is 15 January 2020. The NOCs can submit their requests. The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the relevant NOCs after the end of the qualification period for the concerned sport.

Detailed information on Tripartite Invitation places is contained in the “*Games of the XXXI Olympiad, Tokyo 2020 - Olympic Games Tripartite Commission Invitation Places - Allocation Procedure and Regulations*”.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

Following each qualification event, FISA will publish the results on its website (www.worldrowing.com) and inform the respective NOCs of their allocated quota places. The NOCs will then have 14 days to confirm if they wish to use these quota places, as detailed in paragraph **H. Qualification Timeline**.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES

If a quota place allocated is not confirmed by the NOC by the deadline for confirmation or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be reallocated as follows:

- If the boat qualified through the 2019 FISA World Rowing Championships, the quota place will be reallocated to the next highest placed boat not yet qualified from the same event at the World Championships.
- If the boat qualified through a Continental Qualification regatta, the quota place will be reallocated to the next highest placed boat from an NOC that has not yet qualified a boat for the Olympics, whether through the World Rowing Championships or the Continental Qualification regatta. Where there are no further crews to which qualifying places can be allocated, such places shall be added to the qualifying places in the same event at the Final Qualification regatta.
- If the boat qualified through the FISA Final Qualification Regatta, the quota place will be allocated to the next highest placed boat in that event.
- Where there are no further crews to which qualifying places can be allocated at the Final Qualification regatta, these places may be reallocated taking into consideration the following criteria in no particular order: universality, performance, representation and participation in qualification events. For this specific purpose, any boat class quota can be transferred to another boat class or gender as long as the total athlete quota and the total quotas per gender are respected.

Any unused places will be reallocated by the FISA Executive Committee by 7 June 2021 (pending confirmation of the date of the FOQR).

The decisions of the FISA Executive Committee in this regard will be final.



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The FISA Executive Committee is empowered to deal with all unforeseen situations arising in relation to these rules, to fill any omissions and to interpret the rules in case of any disputes.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Unused Host Country Place(s) will be reallocated to the NOC of the next highest placed boat in Single Sculls in the respective gender at the Asia-Oceania Continental Qualification regatta that has not yet qualified a boat for the Olympics at either the World Rowing Championships or the Continental Qualification regatta.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED TRIPARTITE COMMISSION INVITATION PLACES

If the Tripartite Commission is not able to allocate a Tripartite Commission Invitation place (M1x or W1x), the unused place will be reallocated to the NOC of the next highest placed boat in Single Sculls in the respective gender at the Final Qualification regatta.

G. GENERAL PRINCIPLES REGARDING THE USE OF P ALTERNATE ATHLETES

P ALTERNATE ATHLETES

P alternate athletes are non-competing athletes, and are not included within the athlete's quota as described in Paragraph **B. Athletes Quota**. More detailed information about entitlements and quotas can be found in the '*Accreditation at the Olympic Games – Users Guide*'. P alternate athletes can only become competing athletes as per the conditions outlined in the '*IOC/Tokyo 2020 Late Athlete Replacement policy*'.

Eligibility:

P alternate athletes must comply with the same eligibility rules as competing athletes as described in above paragraph **C. Athlete Eligibility**.

Quota: Each qualified boat in the following events may be allocated one (1) P alternate athlete, within the limit on the number of P accreditations determined by the IOC:

- Men's Four (4-)
- Men's Quadruple Sculls (4x)
- Men's Eight (8+)
- Women's Four (4-)
- Women's Quadruple Sculls (4x)
- Women's Eights (8+)

However, if an NOC qualifies both a Men's Four (4-) and a Men's Eight (8+) or a Women's Four (4-) and a Women's Eight (8+), they are only entitled to one (1) P alternate athlete between both boats.

P alternate athletes may be used by NOCs in any of the relevant events. The above system is simply the means to allocate the P accreditations.



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H. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone
31 December 2018	FISA to determine location of Continental Olympic Qualification Regattas
9 August 2019	Entry Deadline for the 2019 World Rowing Championships
25 August – 1 September 2019	2019 World Rowing Championships, Linz-Ottensheim, Austria
6 September 2019	FISA to ask NOCs / NFs to confirm their quota places from the World Rowing Championships
20 September 2019	NOCs / NFs to confirm their use of quota places from the World Rowing Championships
3-6 October 2019	African Continental Qualification Regatta, Tunis, Tunisia.
11 October 2019	FISA to ask NOCs / NFs to confirm their quota places from the African Continental Qualification Regattas
25 October 2019	NOCs / NFs to confirm their quota places from the African Continental Qualification Regattas
31 January 2021	Deadline for NOCs to submit requests for replacement Tripartite Commission Invitation Places
In relation to end of qualification period for each sport	The Tripartite Commission to confirm in writing the allocation of Invitation Places to the NOCs
6 March 2021	Americas Continental Qualification Regatta, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
12 March 2021	FISA to ask NOCs / NFs to confirm their quota places from the Americas Continental Qualification Regattas
26 March 2021	NOCs / NFs to confirm their quota places from the Americas Continental Qualification Regattas
5-7 April 2021	European Qualification Regatta, Varese, Italy
TBD	Asian & Oceania Continental Qualification Regatta, TBD
14 April 2021	FISA to ask NOCs / NFs to confirm their quota places from the European Qualification Regatta
TBD	FISA to ask NOCs / NFs to confirm their quota places from the Asian & Oceania Continental Qualification Regattas
TBD	NOCs / NFs to confirm their quota places from the Asian & Oceania Continental Qualification Regattas
28 April 2021	NOCs / NFs to confirm their quota places from the European Qualification Regatta
TBD	Final Qualification Regatta in TBD
TBD	FISA to ask NOCs / NFs to confirm their quota places from the Final Qualification Regatta
TBD	NOCs / NFs to confirm their quota places from the Final Qualification Regatta
7 June 2021	FISA to reallocate all unused quota places and seek confirmations
5 July 2021	Tokyo 2020 Sport Entries deadline
21 July 2021	Olympic Regatta Draw meeting
23 July 2021 – 8 August 2021	Olympic Games Tokyo 2020

*To Be Determined