



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES 2018

INTERNATIONAL GOLF FEDERATION

Golf

A. EVENTS (3)

Men's Events (1)	Women's Events (1)	Mixed Event (1)
Individual stroke play	Individual stroke play	Mixed Team event

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Golf:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Universality Places	Total
Men	26	1	5	32
Women	26	1	5	32
Total	52	2	10	64

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC
Men	1
Women	1
Total	2

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.

Additional IF Requirements:

All athletes must be amateur golfers who hold a recognised Handicap Index not exceeding 6.4.



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D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

Those NOCs and their selected athletes who qualify for the Men and Women Individual Stroke Play events will qualify for the mixed gender team event.

QUALIFICATION PLACES

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
D.1. Men: 26 Women: 26	D.1 Youth Olympic Golf Rankings The Youth Olympic Golf Rankings are formed by adding the highest ranked man and woman on the Men World Amateur Golf Rankings and Women World Amateur Women Golf Rankings as of 25 July 2018. The World Amateur Golf Rankings (WAGR) rank amateur golfers by assessing performance at thousands of amateur golf tournaments. The WAGR System ranks the top amateur golfers in the world on the basis of their average performance in counting events on a rolling cycle over the previous 52 weeks. The top 26 NOCs on the Youth Olympic Golf Rankings will be eligible for their NOC to enter one (1) man and one (1) woman. Should there be a tie for the 26 th NOC rank, the tie breaker will be conducted in the following order: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The NOC with the highest combined points average by adding the points average of the NOC's highest ranked man and woman in the respective WAGR as of 25 July 2018.2. The NOC with the most number of players on the Men's and Women's WAGR added together as of 25 July 2018.3. Positions will be determined by drawing lots.
D.2.	D.2 Mixed Gender Team The mixed gender team event will consist of one (1) man and one (1) women from the same NOC. In the event that a team from the same NOC cannot be formed, where possible, a mixed NOC team will be formed.

HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country will automatically qualify one (1) man and one (1) woman on the condition that the athletes meet the eligibility requirements described under section C.



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UNIVERSALITY PLACES

A total of 10 Universality Places will be allocated to five (5) eligible NOCs at the YOG. Each NOC will receive one (1) male Universality Place and one (1) female Universality Place, subject to the athletes meeting the required technical level and the eligibility criteria defined under section C.

The International Olympic Committee will invite all eligible NOCs to submit their requests for Universality Places (date TBC). The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the relevant NOCs, in collaboration with IGF, in March 2017.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION PLACES

IGF will publish the Youth Olympic Golf Rankings on 25 July 2018 on their website at www.igfgolf.org.

The IGF will confirm in writing to NOCs by 27 July 2018 of the quota places they have achieved.

The NOCs will then have two (2) weeks until 10 August 2018 to confirm to IGF and BAYOGOC if they wish to use these quota places, as detailed in section G. Qualification Timeline.

CONFIRMATION OF HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country must confirm in writing to the IGF and BAYOGOC by 10 August 2018 the use of its Host Country Places.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES

If an NOC does not confirm or declines its one (1) man and one (1) woman quota places by the confirmation of quota place deadline, the one (1) man and one (1) woman quota places will be reallocated to the next highest ranked NOC in accordance with the ranking described in section D. Qualification Pathway above.

Should an NOC decide to enter only one (1) of the two (2) quota places obtained, the unused quota place will be reallocated in the respective gender to the next best ranked NOC on the ranking described in section D Qualification Pathway above.



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REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Any unused Host Country Places will be reallocated to the next highest ranked NOC according to the ranking described in section D. Qualification Pathway above.

Should the host country decide to enter only one (1) of the two (2) quota places obtained, the unused quota place will be reallocated in the respective gender to the next best ranked NOC on the ranking described in section D. Qualification Pathway above.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED UNIVERSALITY PLACES

Any unused Universality Places including those returned after the final allocation by the YOG Tripartite Commission, will be reallocated to the next highest ranked NOC in accordance with the ranking described in section D. Qualification Pathway above.

Should an NOC decide to enter only one (1) of the two (2) quota places obtained, the unused quota place will be reallocated in the respective gender to the next best ranked NOC on the ranking described in section D. Qualification Pathway above.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Universality Places	March 2017	Validation of final allocation of Universality Places by the YOG Tripartite Commission
Qualification	1 April 2017 - 22 July 2018	YOG 2018 qualification period (Golf)
Accreditation Deadline	<date>*	Buenos Aires 2018 Accreditation Deadline (All potential athletes must be registered in the system)
Inform and Confirm	25 July 2018	Publication of Youth Olympic Golf Rankings
	27 July 2018	IGF to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places
	10 August 2018	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to IGF and BAYOGOC Host Country to confirm the participation of athletes
Reallocation	10 - 17 August 2018	IGF to reallocate all unused quota places and NOCs to confirm
Sport Entries Deadline	23 August 2018	Entries deadline by name for all sports
Finalisation of DRP Deadline	<date>*	Finalisation of Delegation Registration Process deadline
YOG	1 – 12 October 2018	3 rd Summer Youth Olympic Games – Buenos Aires 2018

*To be defined