

Allocation of qualification

The 2013 World Rowing Junior Championships will serve as the main opportunity for performance-based qualification for the 2014 Youth Olympic Games.

It is the NOC that qualifies the places, not the actual athletes who participate in the event. The NOC may therefore enter different rowers in the 2014 Youth Olympic Games from those that qualified the crew at the 2013 World Rowing Junior Championships.

Additionally, there will be three Continental Qualification Regattas.

1. General Principles for Qualification

- An NOC may enter a maximum of one male and one female boat at the Youth Olympic Games.
- If more than one boat meets the performance qualification criteria in the male and/or female categories at the 2013 World Rowing Junior Championships, the qualification place will be attributed to the boat with the higher ranking.
- If two or more boats from a country meet the qualification criteria and achieve the same ranking at the 2013 World Rowing Junior Championships, the NOC will have one month from notification to decide which qualification place to accept.

2. Direct Qualification Based on Performance

The boats with the following rankings at the 2013 World Rowing Junior Championships will directly qualify their NOC for the respective event:

- **For the JM1x:** the top SIX places in the JM1x, the top FOUR places in the JM2x and the top ONE place in the JM4x;
- **For the JW1x:** the top SIX places in the JW1x, the top FOUR places in the JW2x and the top ONE place in the JW4x;
- **For the JM2-:** the top FIVE places in the JM2-, the top THREE places in the JM4- and the top ONE place in the JM8+;
- **For the JW2-:** the top FIVE places in the JW2-, the top THREE places in the JW4- and the top ONE place in the JW8+;

3. Continental Qualification Regattas

Crews achieving a certain placing indicated in the following table at the relevant Continental Qualification Regatta will qualify, and the NOC will be permitted to select and enter a crew in that event in the 2014 Youth Olympic Games.

There will be three Continental Qualification Regattas:

Asia: Open to NOCs that are members of the Olympic Council of Asia;

Africa: Open to NOCs that are members of the Association of National Olympic Committees of Africa;

Latin America: Open to NOCs that are members of Pan American Sports Organisation, with the exception of the USA and CAN;

Boat Class	Asia	Africa	Latin America
Junior Men			
Single Sculls (1x)	3	3	3
Pair (2-)	1	1	1
Junior Women			
Single Sculls (1x)	3	3	3
Pair (2-)	1	1	1
Boats	8	8	8
Athletes	10	10	10

The NFs may enter only one crew per event at the Continental Qualification Regattas and will be eligible for qualification only in the events in which their NOC has not already qualified through the 2013 World Rowing Junior Championships. If an NOC has already qualified in a junior men's event or a junior women's event from the 2013 World Rowing Junior Championships, they will not be eligible to qualify in a second men's or women's event at the Continental Qualification Regatta.

The FISA Youth Olympic Qualification Regattas will be held according to the FISA Championships system, with heats, repechages, semi-finals and finals.

The FISA Council shall select the sites of the three qualification regattas by the end of 2012.

In each event at all Qualification Regattas, there must be at least one more crew entered than may be qualified, otherwise the number of qualifiers will be reduced to one less than the number of crews starting.

HOST COUNTRY REPRESENTATION

Should the host nation not have achieved a qualification place in either category (men's or women's), then two host country places, one in each of the single sculls events (JM1x and JW1x), will be allocated, provided that the host country participated in at least one event of the gender at the 2013 World Rowing Junior Championships.

UNIVERSALITY PLACES

To be eligible to receive Universality Places, athletes must comply with the eligibility criteria as defined under point C of this document.

Six (6) Universality Places (3 men and 3 women) will be allocated by a YOG Tripartite Commission to NOCs that have submitted requests for Universality Places.

To be eligible to receive Universality Place, an NOC must have competed at a qualification regatta in an event of the same gender.

E. Confirmation process for quota places

CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUALIFICATION PLACES

Following each qualification event, FISA will inform the NOCs of any quota places obtained. FISA will inform the host country of any host nation places allocated after the Asian YOG Qualification Regatta.

NOCs that have gained quota place(s) at the 2013 World Rowing Junior Championships or at one of the three Continental Qualification Regattas will then have two weeks following notification by FISA that they have obtained the qualification place to confirm in writing that they will use these places.

To confirm the use of these places, NOCs must submit a confirmation form to FISA. If the confirmation form is not received by the relevant closing date, the quota place will be reallocated according to the process described below in section F.

CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country must confirm the use of its places either after the 2013 Junior World Championships or after the Asian YOG Qualification Regatta, depending on how many crews they qualify at these events. The deadline for confirmation of use of these places is 8 June 2014.

F. Reallocation of unused quota places

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES

If an NOC elects to not use a qualification place obtained at the 2013 World Rowing Championships, this place will be allocated to the next NOC with the highest ranked boat at the 2013 World Rowing Junior Championships that has not yet qualified in the following boat classes, in this specific order:

- for the 1x (JM and JW): 1x, 2x, 1x, 2x, 4x; 1x, 2x, 1x, 2x, 4x ...
- for the 2- (JM and JW): 2-, 4-, 2-, 4-, 8+; 2-, 4-, 2-, 4-, 8+;....

provided that the respective NOCs have not already qualified a men's or women's boat in the relevant category and that the boats display adequate technical proficiency as assessed by FISA .

IF an NOC elects to not use a qualification place obtained at a Continental Qualification Regatta, this place will be allocated to the next NOC with the highest ranked boat in that boat class at that Continental Qualification Regatta that has not yet qualified, provided that the respective NOCs have not already qualified a men's or women's boat in the relevant category and that the boats display adequate technical proficiency as assessed by FISA.

Universality places allocated to an NOC that are not used, and any other unused places, will be reallocated between 9 June 2014 and 24 June 2014.

Any free women's places will be allocated to women, and any free men's places will be allocated to men.

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

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

If the host country NOC qualifies a boat through performance or elects not to use a host country qualification place allocated to it, the place will be considered "unused" and will be allocated in accordance with the reallocation of unused places obtained at the 2013 World Rowing Junior Championships, as described in the paragraph "Reallocation of Unused Qualification Places" above.

Unused host country places will be reallocated between 9 June and 24 June 2014.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED UNIVERSALITY PLACES

Any unused Universality Places, including those returned after the final allocation by the YOG Tripartite Commission, will be allocated in accordance with the reallocation of unused places obtained at the 2013 World Rowing Junior Championships, as described in the paragraph "Reallocation of Unused Qualification Places" above.

Unused Universality Places will be reallocated between 9 June and 24 June 2014.

G. Qualification timeline

DATE	MILESTONE
March 2013	Validation of the final allocation of Universality Places by the YOG Tripartite Commission
7 August 2013 – 8 June 2014	YOG 2014 qualification period
7-11 August 2013	2013 World Rowing Junior Championships (Trakai, LTU)
30 August 2013	FISA to confirm the first group of qualification places to NYOGOC
12 August 2013 to 8 June 2014	Period for Continental YOG Qualification Regattas
9 June 2014 to 24 June 2014	Reallocation of unused NOC Universality Places and unused qualification places - final reallocation period for unused quota places
8 July 2014	Entries deadline by name for all sports
16 - 28 August 2014	2 nd Summer Youth Olympic Games – Nanjing 2014