



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM - 2ND WINTER YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES - LILLEHAMMER 2016

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Short Track Speed Skating

A. EVENTS (5)

| Men's Events(2) | Ladies Events(2) | Mixed NOC / Gender Event (1) | | |
|-----------------|------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| 500 m 1000 m | 500 m 1000 m | Mixed NOC Relay | | |

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Short Track Speed Skating:

| | Qualification Places | Host Country Places | Total |
|---------|----------------------|--|-------|
| Men | 16 | Included in total qualification places (1 M and 1 W) | 16 |
| Ladies' | 16 | | 16 |
| Total | 32 | piacos (1 W ana 1 W) | 32 |

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

| | Quota per NOC |
|---------|---------------|
| Men | 2 |
| Ladies' | 2 |
| Total | 4 |

3. Maximum NOC Event Specific Quota

Maximum 2 athlete(s) per gender in individual events

Maximum eight (8) Mixed NOC/Gender Relay teams composed of two (2) male and two (2) lady Skaters from at least two (2) different NOCs. No substitutes are allowed.

4. 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 Winter Youth Olympic Games.

Age Requirements:

To be eligible to participate in the 2016 Lillehammer Youth Olympic Games, all athletes must be born between 01 January 1998 and 31 December 2000.

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D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

QUALIFICATION PLACES

The qualification events are listed in hierarchical order of qualification.

MEN / LADIES'

D.1- D.2 Individual Qualification

| Number of Quota Places | Qualification Event | | |
|---|---------------------|---|--|
| | D.1.1 | Allocation of NOC quotas will be based on the overall final classification from the 2015 ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships on 27 February 2015 - 01 March 2015 in Osaka, Japan. | |
| D.1.2 Men: 6 | D.1.2 | The top three (3) ranked NOCs, per gender, in the overall final classification may enter a maximum of two (2) competitors. | |
| Ladies': 6 | D.1.3 | If more than one (1) skater from the same NOC in D.1.2 achieves a position in the top three (3) ranking, the quota places will be assigned to the next best ranked ISU Members/NOCs until the six (6) quota places per gender are filled. After the six (6) quota places are filled, the next best ranked NOC may only enter one (1) competitor until the total of 16 quota places per gender are filled. | |
| D.1.5 Men: 10 max Ladies': 10 max | D.1.4 | In case of a tie, the best placement in one of the distances will be used. | |
| | D.1.5 | If the total number of Skaters (16) cannot be filled, the NOC who reached fourth (4 th) place in the overall final classification at the 2015 Junior World Championships may enter a second (2 nd) Skater. This principle will continue until the maximum number of quota places (16) is reached. | |
| 32 total athletes | D.1.6 | Allocation of quota places to ISU Members/NOCs per event/distance: All quota places achieved by the respective ISU Members/NOCs through the 2015 Junior World Championships can be used for both the Short Track Speed Skating individual distances and the relay. | |

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D.2 Mixed NOC Relay Team Composition

Event

- D.2.1 The Mixed NOC Relay event will be conducted after the completion of the individual Short Track Speed Skating event in addition to the composition of the teams. All entered skaters may compete in the relay event.
- D.2.2 The sequence of skating in the relay teams shall be Lady, Man, Lady, Man. This order shall apply to all teams and cannot be changed unless a fall has occurred. Skaters of the single teams may wear their own national racing uniform and will be identified by different coloured helmet covers. All other racing rules in ISU Rule 297 par. 3 clause e, f, g and par. 4 will apply.
- D.2.3 The composition of the relay teams will be constructed by the ISU based on the sum of points from the results of both individual distances. The composition will be made by the Competitor Steward by utilizing a predetermined methodology to distribute the Skaters among the eight (8) teams as follows:
 - The Lady Skaters will be placed by means of the Skaters' ranking in the overall result of the individual distances, to teams in numerical order (1 − 8), then by reverse numerical order.
 - The first (1st) ranked Lady Skater will be placed on team number one (1), the Lady Skater ranked in second (2nd) will be placed on team number two (2) etc., thereby distributing the top eight (8) Lady Skaters in numerical order amongst eight (8) numbered teams from team number one (1) to team number eight (8).
 - The Lady Skaters ranked 9th 16th will be placed on teams in reverse numerical order, with the 9th ranked Lady on team eight (8), the 10th ranked Lady on team seven (7), etc.
 - The Male Skaters will be placed by means of the Skaters ranking in the overall result of the individual distances to teams in reverse numerical order (8 1), then in numerical order (1 8).
 - The first (1st) ranked Male Skater will be placed on team number eight (8), the Male Skater ranked in second (2nd) will be placed on team number seven (7) etc., thereby distributing the top eight (8) Male Skaters in reverse numerical order amongst the eight (8) numbered teams from team number eight (8) to team number one (1).
 - The Male Skaters ranked 9th 16th will be placed on teams, in numerical order, with the 9th Male on team one (1), 10th ranked Male on team two (2), etc.
 - Example:

| Team 1 | Team 2 | Team 3 | Team 4 | Team 5 | Team 6 | Team 7 | Team 8 |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1W | 2W | 3W | 4W | 5W | 6W | 7W | 8W |
| 16W | 15W | 14W | 13W | 12W | 11W | 10W | 9W |
| M8 | 7M | 6M | 5M | 4M | 3M | 2M | 1M |
| 9M | 10M | 11M | 12M | 13M | 14M | 15M | 16M |

HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The Host Country is entitled to a quota of one (1) Man and one (1) Lady per event. The selection of athletes is at the discretion of the Host Country while respecting the eligibility criteria as detailed in **C. Athlete Eligibility**.

This entry will not increase the total number of participants. If the Host Country is not qualified through an allocated quota place by way of the ordinary qualification procedure as mentioned in **D. Qualification Pathway**, the entry will instead substitute the last qualified quota place for the YOG.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

After the conclusion of the qualifying process, the ISU will announceallocated quota places and NOCs will then have one (1) week to confirm and /or reject their use of these quota places to the ISU Secretariat as detailed in **G. Qualification Timeline**

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Use of allocated quota places

Upon confirmation by the ISU of the quota places earned by the ISU Members/NOCs, the subsequent "entries by name" to be made within the applicable deadlines are at the discretion of the respective ISU Members/NOCs, subject to the entered Skaters being eligible according to ISU and IOC rules

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

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Any allocated quota places that are returned/not confirmed by the respective NOC will be reallocated according to the ranking order of the reserve list.

The reserve list will take the principle explained in par. 3 b i) first before applying the principle indicated in par. 3 b iii).

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

If the host country is ranked in the top three (3) or obtains the entitled quota places by way of D.1.3 of the **D. Qualification Pathway** or if it declines its Host Country places, the next best ranked NOC will qualify.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

| Period | Date | Milestone | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Qualification | 27 February - 1 March 2015 | ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships, Osaka (JPN) | | |
| Inform and Confirm | By 1 December 2015 | ISU to announce/publish allocated quota places and inform NOCs/ISU Members of their allocated quota places | | |
| Infor | By 7 December 2015 | NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to ISU Secretariat | | |
| Ę | 9 December 2015 | ISU to reallocate unused quota places | | |
| Reallocation | 10 December 2015 | NOCs/ISU Members to confirm use of unused quota places | | |
| Rea | 11 December 2015 | Final reallocation by ISU and confirmation by NOCs of all unused quota places | | |
| Sport Entries Deadline | 18 January 2016 | ISU YOG 2016 Sport Entries deadline | | |
| YOG | 12 – 21 February 2016 | Lillehammer 2016 Winter Youth Olympic Games | | |

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