

# **Qualification System for Rabobank Hockey World Cup 2014**

#### Men

The Rabobank Hockey World Cup 2014 will consist of 12 teams

1. The following teams are eligible to play in the Rabo Hockey World Cup 2014

#### 1.1 Host Nation – Netherlands

1 team

The host nation of the Rabo Hockey World Cup 2014 shall be automatically qualified.

#### 1.2 Continental Qualification

5 teams

The five (5) continental champions, namely the winners of:

Africa Africa Cup of Nations America 4<sup>th</sup> Pan American Cup

Asia 9<sup>th</sup> Asian Cup

Europe 14<sup>th</sup> EuroHockey Nations Championship

Oceania 8<sup>th</sup> Men's Oceania Cup

### 1.3 FIH World League

6 / 7 teams

- a The 6 highest placed teams in the Round 3 tournaments of FIH World League not qualified under 1.1 and 1.2 above.
- b If Netherlands is also the winners of the 14<sup>th</sup> EuroHockey Nations Championship, the 7 highest placed teams in the Round 3 tournaments of FIH World League not qualified under 1.1 and 1.2 above.
- c In a and b above, where the last place available is shared between teams that finish in the same position in the two different Round 3 tournaments, the team to qualify will be that which has the highest FIH World Ranking current at the time of the completion of the latter of the two Round 3 tournaments. An example illustrating how this would work is shown at Appendix 1.

## 2. Reallocation of Unused Quota Places

If a National Association withdraws a qualified team, the qualification place will be reallocated to the highest placed team in the Round 3 tournaments of FIH World League not qualified under 1.1 and 1.2 above. Where two teams finish in the same position in the FIH World League Round 3 tournaments, the principle of 1.3c above will apply, namely the qualification place will be offered to the team that has the highest FIH World Ranking at the time of the completion of the latter of the two World League Round 3 tournaments.

## 3. Qualification Timeline

Date	Milestone	
13 / 23 June 2013	Rabobank Hockey World League Semi-Final (Rotterdam, NED)	
29 June / 7 July 2013	Hockey World League Semi-Final (Johor Bahru, MAS)	
11 / 17 August 2013	4 <sup>th</sup> Pan American Cup (Toronto, CAN)	
17 / 25 August 2013	14 <sup>th</sup> EuroHockey Nations Championship (Antwerp, BEL)	
24 August / 1 September 2013	9 <sup>th</sup> Asian Cup (Ipoh, MAS)	
26 September / 5 October 2013	Africa Cup of Nations (Nairobi, KEN)	
28 October / 3 November 2013	8 <sup>th</sup> Oceania Cup (Stratford, NZL)	
8 November 2013	FIH confirms quota places for Rabobank Hockey World Cup 2014 to respective National Associations	
29 November 2013	National Associations to confirm in writing to FIH their participation in the Rabobank Hockey World Cup 2014.	
14 April 2014	FIH to issue Entry Forms to participating National Associations	
17 May 2014	Deadline for FIH to receive Entry Forms from participating National Associations	

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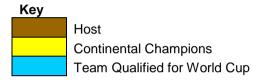
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17 / 24 August 2013	11 <sup>th</sup> EuroHockey Nations Championship (Antwerp, BEL)	
21 / 29 September 2013	8 <sup>th</sup> Asian Cup (Kuala Lumpur, MAS)	
21 / 29 September 2013	4 <sup>th</sup> Pan American Cup (Mendoza, ARG)	
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## **Determination of Qualification Place When 2 Teams Finish in Equal Positions**

Rank	Round 3A	Round 3B
1	Team A	Team Z
2	Team B	Team Y
3	Team C	Team X
4	Team D	Team W
5	Team E	Team V
6	Team F	Team U
7	Team G	Team T
8	Team H	Team S



Team U qualifies for the final place in the Rabo Hockey World Cup 2014 by virtue of having a higher FIH World Ranking than Team F