



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM FOR XXIV OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES, BEIJING 2022

WORLD CURLING FEDERATION

Curling

A. EVENTS (3)

Men's Events (1)	Women's Events (1)	Mixed Events (1)
Men	Women	Mixed Doubles

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

B.1 Total Quota for Sport / Discipline:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Total
Men	45	5	50
Women	45	5	50
Mixed Doubles	18	2	20
Total	108	12	120

B.2 Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC
Men	5
Women	5
Mixed Doubles	2
Total	12

B.3 Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota place/s is/are allocated to the NOC. The selection of athletes for its allocated quota places is at the discretion of the NOC.

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force included 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 these athletes who comply with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

QUALIFICATION PLACES

The qualification events are listed in hierarchical order of qualification.



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Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event												
<p>D.1: Men: 40 (8 teams)</p> <p>Women: 40 (8 teams)</p> <p>Mixed Doubles: 16 (8 pairs)</p>	<p>D.1. Two (2) World Curling Championships (WCC) leading up to the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022.</p> <p>Olympic Qualification Points accumulated from the two (2) World Curling Championships (WCC) leading up to the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022 will form the Olympic Qualification Ranking Lists. There will be an Olympic Qualification Ranking List for each event; Olympic Qualification Ranking List for Men’s Team Competition, Olympic Qualification Ranking List for Women’s Team Competition and Olympic Qualification Ranking List for Mixed Doubles Competition.</p> <p>After the 2021 WCC, the seven (7) highest ranked NFs/National Olympic Committees (NOCs) in the respective Olympic Qualification Ranking Lists (Women’s Team Competition, Men’s Team Competition and Mixed Doubles) will qualify for the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022 Curling Competitions. In the situation where the People’s Republic of China holds a position amongst the top seven (7) in the respective Olympic Qualification Ranking Lists, the NF/NOC ranked 8th will automatically be eligible.</p> <p>The Chinese NOC will be allocated Olympic Qualification Points according to their ranking in the two qualifying WCCs in the respective event. In the situation where the Chinese NOC does not rank in the seven (7) highest ranked in the Olympic Qualification Ranking List of the respective event, it will be ranked 8th and qualify automatically for the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022 Curling Competition in that event.</p> <p>The participating NFs/NOCs in the following WCCs will all be allocated Olympic Qualification Points for their participation based on their performance at the WCCs shown below:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="472 1384 1481 1534"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>2020</th> <th>2021</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Men</td> <td>Glasgow, GBR</td> <td>TBD*</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Women</td> <td>Prince George, CAN</td> <td>Schaffhausen, SUI</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mixed Doubles</td> <td>Kelowna, CAN</td> <td>TBD*</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>D.1.1 Olympic Qualification Points Table The Olympic Qualification Points table that will be used to award points at the 2020 and 2021 WCCs as follows can be found on the WCF website. (<i>Link will be added after the 2020 World Championships.</i>)</p> <p>D.1.2 Ranking, tied positions and distribution of Olympic Qualification Points “Rule C9. Team Ranking Procedure / Draw Shot Challenge” as stated in the Rules of Curling and Rules of Competition (can be downloaded here) will be used to rank teams at the WCCs and the appropriate qualification points will then be awarded to each team.</p> <p>D.1.3 Elimination in the event of a tied position If after the 2021 WCC, there are more than seven (7) NFs/NOCs (in addition to the Chinese NOC) eligible for the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022 Curling Competition</p>		2020	2021	Men	Glasgow, GBR	TBD*	Women	Prince George, CAN	Schaffhausen, SUI	Mixed Doubles	Kelowna, CAN	TBD*
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because of the equal number of accumulated points, the elimination will be conducted on the basis of the following criteria.

1. In the event that two (2) or more NFs/NOCs are tied so that an elimination of one (1) or more of these teams is necessary, the NF/NOC with the latest WCC appearance will be the preferred NF/NOC. For example, if two (2) NFs/NOCs are tied for the 7th place after the 2021 WCC, and one (1) of the NFs/NOCs participated in the 2021 WCC and the other NF/NOC did not, then the NF/NOC which played in the 2021 WCC will be preferred and the other NF/NOC will be eliminated.
2. In the event of a tied situation and Criteria No.1 is insufficient to eliminate the necessary number of NFs/NOCs, the ranking between the teams in the 2021 WCC will be the deciding factor, or 2020 if that was the latest appearance of the NFs/NOCs that are tied.
3. Should there be a situation where in fact neither Criteria No.1 nor Criteria No.2 can eliminate the necessary number of teams, the elimination will be done by a play off between the tied teams at a time and venue to be decided by the WCF. If the tied teams are involved in the 2021 WCC, the play off will take place there.

D.2:
Men: 10
(2 teams)

Women: 10
(2 teams)

Mixed Doubles:
4 (2 pairs)

D.2. Olympic Qualification Event (OQE)

The top two (2) NFs/NOCs from the OQE will qualify for the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022 Curling Competitions.

The Olympic Qualification Event (OQE) is run by WCF between Autumn 2021 - December 2021 (**exact date TBD***) and will be eligible for participation for the following NFs/NOCs:

- Men's OQE
 - The five (5) highest ranked Men NFs/NOCs that appear on the Olympic Qualification Ranking List but did not qualify according to D.1,
 - The two (2) highest ranked Men's teams in the *WCF Pre-Qualifier Event,
 - **The host NF/NOC of the OQE.
- Women's OQE
 - The five (5) highest ranked Women NFs/NOCs that appear on the Olympic Qualification Ranking List but did not qualify according to D.1,
 - The two (2) highest ranked Women's teams in the *WCF Pre-Qualifier,
 - **The host NF/NOC of the OQE.
- Mixed Doubles OQE
 - The 15 highest ranked Mixed Doubles NFs/NOCs that appear on the Olympic Qualification Ranking List but did not qualify according to D.1,
 - **The host NF/NOC of the OQE.

*The WCF Pre-Qualifier Event for Men and Women will be open to all NFs/NOCs within membership of the WCF that have not qualified according to D.1.

**If the host NF/NOC is already qualified according to D.1, then the next NF/NOC on the Olympic Qualification Ranking List will be offered the place.

D.2.1 The deadline date for entry into the OQE is 31 May 2021.

D.2.2 The format of the OQE will depend on number of entries and will be designed by the WCF accordingly. For clarification the maximum number of teams in each Olympic Qualifying Event will be eight (8) each in the Men's and Women's and 16 in the Mixed Doubles, but if fewer teams achieve the qualification standard then the number of teams participating may be less.



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National Federation Representing Great Britain

The three National Federations from Great Britain; England, Scotland and Wales - are all eligible to participate in World Curling Championships. However, by an agreement between the Curling Federations of Scotland, England and Wales, only Scotland will be allocated Olympic qualifying points for Great Britain in 2020 and 2021. If required, only Scotland, representing Great Britain, will be allowed to enter the OQE.

HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The Host Country is allocated a place in each of the three (3) curling events. There are no performance requirements that need to be met by the Host Country for this allocation to be granted for the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

Following each qualification event, WCF will publish the results on its website www.worldcurling.org.

At the end of the 2021 World Curling Championships or latest by 31 May 2021, WCF will publish the final Olympic Qualification Ranking Lists on its website. WCF will inform the qualified National Federations and their National Olympic Committees (NOCs) of its quota place.

The NOCs will then have until 30 June 2021 to inform WCF if they intend to use its quota place for the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022 Curling Competition.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED IF QUOTA PLACES

If any allocated quota place is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of quota place deadline or if the quota place(s) is/are declined by the NOC, the quota place(s) will be reallocated to the next highest ranked NOC from the Olympic Qualification Event (OQE). This process will be repeated until all quota places are filled.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

If the Host Country declines its Host Country place in any competition, the quota place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked NF/NOC from the Olympic Qualification Event. This process will be repeated until the quota place is filled.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Qualification	March 2020	World Women's Curling Championship (Prince George, CAN) World Men's Curling Championships (Glasgow, GBR) World Women's Curling Championship (Schaffhausen, SUI)
	April 2020	World Mixed Doubles Curling Championship (Kelowna, CAN)
	March 2021	World Men's Curling Championships (TBD*)
	April 2021	World Mixed Doubles Curling Championship (TBD*)
	30 May 2021	Deadline date for entry into the OQE
	Autumn 2021	WCF Pre-Qualifier Event for Men and Women (TBD*)
	December 2021	Olympic Qualifying Event (TBD*)



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Period	Date	Milestone
Accreditation deadline	TBD*	Beijing 2022 Accreditation deadline
Inform and confirm	31 May 2021	Publication of Olympic Qualification Ranking List on www.worldcurling.org .
	2 June 2021	WCF to inform NOCs/NFs of their allocated quota places
	30 June 2021	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to IF
Reallocation	December 2021	WCF to reallocate all unused quota places
Sport Entries deadline	24 January 2022	Beijing 2022 Sport Entries deadline
Delegation Registration Meetings	TBD*	Beijing 2022 Delegation Registration Meetings
Games Time	4 – 20 February 2022	Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022

TBD - To Be Determined