



**QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES 2018** 

# INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION

# Table Tennis

# A. EVENTS (3)

Men's Events (1)	Women's Events (1)	Mixed Events (1)
Men's singles	Women's singles International team competition	

# **B. ATHLETES QUOTA**

## 1. Total Quota for Table tennis:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Universality Places	Total
Men	29	1	2	32
Women	29	1	2	32
Total	58	2	4	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 athlete(s) by name.

## 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.





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# **D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY**

# **QUALIFICATION PLACES**

# MEN & WOMEN

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event	
D.1.	D.1. Continental Qualification Events	
14 Men 14 Women	The top ranked male and female athletes at the respective Continental Qualification Events will be qualify for the YOG according to the following distribution:	
	<ul> <li>Europe – Top four (4) ranked athletes</li> <li>Asia – Top four (4) ranked athletes</li> <li>Latin America – Top two (2) ranked athletes</li> <li>Africa – Top two (2) ranked athletes</li> <li>Oceania – Top ranked athlete</li> <li>North America – Top ranked athlete</li> </ul>	
	ITTF to confirm with the continental associations the continental qualification events dates and places by 31 December 2016.	
D.2.	D.2. "Road to Buenos Aires 2018 series"	
12 Men 12 Women	The "Road to Buenos Aries 2018 series" is a series of six (6) special competitions held immediately before or after the ITTF Junior Circuit competitions for athletes in the YOG age category. Each NOC may be represented by only one (1) athlete per competition per gender.	
	There will be two (2) direct elimination competitions, on two (2) consecutive days, the top ranked athletes in each gender per competition from NOCs not qualified through D.1 will qualify for the YOG.	
D.3. 3 Men 3 Women	D.3 ITTF Under-18 World Ranking	
	The top three (3) ranked age-eligible athletes from an NOC not yet qualified through D.1 and D.2 on the ITTF Under-18 World Ranking as of July 2018 will qualify for the YOG.	
D.4.	D.4 Mixed Team Event	
	For the mixed team event, teams will be composed of one (1) male athlete and one (1) female athlete from athletes qualified for the individual competitions.	
	<ul> <li>Teams will be formed according to the following order:</li> <li>i. Same NOC team - One (1) boy and one (1) girl from the same NOC</li> <li>ii. Continental team - One (1) boy and one (1) girl from different NOCs but from the same continent</li> <li>iii. Intercontinental team - One (1) boy and one (1) girl from different NOCs</li> </ul>	





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#### **HOST COUNTRY PLACES**

The host country will automatically qualify one (1) male and one (1) female on the condition that both athletes meet the eligibility requirements described under section C of this document.

#### UNIVERSALITY PLACES

Two (2) male Universality Places and two (2) female Universality Places will be made available to eligible NOCs at the YOG.

To be considered for a YOG Universality Place athletes must have participated in the last continental junior championships before the selection and at least one ITTF Junior Circuit event in the two years prior to the Youth Olympic Games and that the athletes meet the criteria under section C.

The International Olympic Committee will invite all eligible NOCs to submit their requests for Universality Places by 15 January 2017. The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the relevant NOCs, in collaboration with ITTF, as of 13 March 2017. The NOCs will have until 31 March 2017 to confirm the use of their places to the Tripartite Commission.

## E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

#### **CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION PLACES**

ITTF shall publish the list of NOCs' qualification places immediately after every Continental Qualification Event and "Road to Buenos Aires 2018 series" on their website at <u>www.ITTF.com</u>

ITTF will confirm all NOCs' qualification places (from D.1, D.2 and D.3) on 10 July 2018.

The NOCs will then have two (2) weeks until 24 July 2018, to confirm 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 ITTF and BAYOGOC by 10 July 2018 the use of its Host Country Places.

#### F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

#### **REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES**

If a quota place allocated is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of quota place deadline or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be reallocated as follows:

- If the athlete qualified through D.1, the quota place will be reallocated to the next best-ranked athlete, from an NOC not yet qualified, at the respective Continental Qualification Event. If there are no more eligible athletes from the respective continent to reallocate the quota place to, the unused





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quota place will be reallocated to the next best-ranked athlete, from an NOC not yet qualified, from the ITTF Under-18 World Ranking as of July 2018.

- If the athlete qualified through D.2, the quota place will be reallocated to the next best-ranked athlete, at the respective "Road to Buenos Aires 2018 series" competition from an NOC not yet qualified.
- If the athlete qualified through D.3, the quota place will be reallocated to the next best-ranked athlete on the ITTF Under-18 World Ranking as of July 2018 from an NOC not yet qualified.

#### REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

If the host country achieved its quota places through D.1, it will be reallocated to the next best-ranked athlete from an NOC not yet qualified at the Latin America Continental Qualification Event.

If the host country achieved its quota places through D.2, it will be reallocated to the next best-ranked athlete from an NOC not yet qualified from the respective "Road to Buenos Aries 2018 series" competition.

If the host country returns or achieved its quota places through D.3, it will be reallocated to the next bestranked athlete from an NOC not yet qualified from ITTF Under-18 World Ranking as of July 2018.

If the host country declines the quota place it will be reallocated to the next best-ranked athlete from an NOC not yet qualified from ITTF Under-18 World Ranking as of July 2018.

#### REALLOCATION OF UNUSED UNIVERSALITY PLACES

Any unused Universality Place, including those returned after the final allocation by YOG Tripartite Commission, will be reallocated to next best-ranked athlete, from an NOC not yet qualified, of the respective gender from the ITTF Under-18 World Ranking as of July 2018.





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# **G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE**

Period	Date	Milestone
Universality Places	31 March 2017	Validation of final allocation of Universality Places by the YOG Tripartite Commission
Qualification	1 April 2017 - 23 July 2018	YOG 2018 qualification period
	16 - 17 April 2017	African Continental Qualification Event, Tunis (TUN)
	29 April / 1st May 2017	Asian Continental Qualification Event, Ahmedabad, Gujarat (IND)
	12 - 14 May 2017	Latin American Continental Qualification Event, Santo Domingo (DOM)
	3 - 5 November 2017	European Continental Qualification Event, Split (CRO)
	11 - 12 November 2017	Oceanian Continental Qualification Event, Bendigo (AUS)
	19 - 20 December 2017	North American Continental Qualification Event, Las Vegas (USA)
	2018 (Date TBC)	Road to Buenos Aires 2018 Series 1 (Location TBC)
	2018 (Date TBC)	Road to Buenos Aires 2018 Series 2 (Location TBC)
	2018 (Date TBC)	Road to Buenos Aires 2018 Series 3 (Location TBC)
	2018 (Date TBC)	Road to Buenos Aires 2018 Series 4 (Location TBC)
	2018 (Date TBC)	Road to Buenos Aires 2018 Series 5 (Location TBC)
	2018 (Date TBC)	Road to Buenos Aires 2018 Series 6 (Location TBC)
	1 July 2018	Publication of ITTF Under-18 World Ranking
Accreditation Deadline	<date>*</date>	Buenos Aires 2018 Accreditation Deadline (All potential athletes must be registered in the system)
	10 July 2018	ITTF to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places
		Host Country to confirm the participation of athletes
	24 July 2018	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to ITTF and BAYOGOC
Reallocation	25 July 2018	ITTF to reallocate all unused quota places and NOCs to confirm
	22 August 2018	End of reallocation period
Sport Entries Deadline	23 August 2018	Entries deadline by name for all sports
Finalisation of DRP Deadline	<date>*</date>	Finalisation of DRP Deadline
YOG	1 - 12 October 2018	3 <sup>rd</sup> Summer Youth Olympic Games – Buenos Aires 2018

\*To be defined