



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM FOR THE XXIII OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES PYEONGCHANG 2018

INTERNATIONAL BIATHLON UNION

Biathlon

A. EVENTS (11)

Men's Events (5)	Women's Events (5)	Mixed Events (1)
10 km Sprint 20 km Individual 12.5 km Pursuit 15 km Mass Start 4 x 7.5 km Relay	7.5 km Sprint 15 km Individual 10 km Pursuit 12.5 km Mass Start 4 x 6 km Relay	2x6 km Women + 2x7.5 km Men Mixed Relay

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Biathlon:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Total
Men	114	1	115
Women	114	1	115
Total	228	2	230

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC per gender:

Qualification Type	Men		Women	
	Maximum Quota per NOC	Maximum Event Specific quota	Maximum Quota per NOC	Maximum Event Specific quota
Nation Cup Rank 1-5	6	4	6	4
Nation Cup Rank 6-20	5	4	5	4
Nation Cup Rank 21-22	2	2	2	2
IBU qualifying points list	2	2	2	2

Maximum of one (1) Relay team per gender per NOC composed of four (4) male or four (4) female athletes already qualified.

Maximum of one (1) Mixed Relay team per NOC composed of two (2) male and two (2) female athletes already qualified.



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3. 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 and only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Games. This includes Rule 41 of the Olympic Charter (Nationality of competitors).

Additional IF Eligibility Requirements:

IBU Qualifying Points

(ref: 1.4.3.4 - http://www4.biathlonworld.com/media/files/rules_2014/IBU_Rules_2014_e_cap3.pdf)

To gain the right to participate in Olympic Winter Games (OWG) events, an athlete must have 180 IBU qualifying points or less at the end of the last trimester before the OWG, or fulfill one of the following criteria during the current (2017/18) or previous (2016/17) season:

- Compete in two (2) competitions earning 150 IBU qualifying points or less at IBU Cup, Open European Championships (OECH), World Championships (WCH) and/or World Cup (WC) in the Sprint or Individual events, or
- Two (2) finishes in the top half at the Junior World Championships (JWCH) - not Youth - or
- One (1) result from each of the criteria a. and b. above.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

QUALIFICATION PLACES

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
D.1 <u>Men: 30</u> <u>Women: 30</u>	D.1. NOCs ranked 1 to 5 in the 2016/17 World Cup Nations Cup NOCs ranked 1 to 5 in the Men's World Cup Nations Cup 2016/17 season will receive six (6) men quota places. NOCs ranked 1 to 5 in the Women's World Cup Nations Cup 2016/17 season will receive six (6) women quota places.
D.2 <u>Men: 75</u> <u>Women: 75</u>	D.2. NOCs ranked 6 to 20 in the 2016/17 World Cup Nations Cup NOCs ranked 6 to 20 in the Men's World Cup Nations Cup 2016/17 season will receive five (5) men quota places. NOCs ranked 6 to 20 in the Women's World Cup Nations Cup 2016/17 season will receive five (5) women quota places.
D.3 <u>Men: 4</u> <u>Women: 4</u>	D.3. NOCs ranked 21 to 22 in the 2016/17 World Cup Nations Cup NOCs ranked 21 to 22 in the Men's World Cup Nations Cup 2016/17 season will receive two (2) men quota places. NOCs ranked 21 to 22 in the Women's World Cup Nations Cup 2016/17 season will receive two (2) women quota places.



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<p>D.4 <u>Men: 5 or 6</u> <u>Women: 5 or 6</u></p>	<p>D.4. IBU Qualifying Points List (ref: 1.4.3.5 - http://www4.biathlonworld.com/media/files/rules_2014/IBU_Rules_2014_e_cap3.pdf)</p> <p>Men</p> <p>Only NOCs which have not been allocated quota places through D.1, D.2 or D.3 will be eligible to be allocated up to a maximum of (2) quota places.</p> <p>Eligible Athletes earn quota places for their respective NOCs in rank order from the most current IBU qualifying points list (22 January 2018), maximum two (2) quota places per NOC.</p> <p>If the host nation has not been allocated quota places through D.1, D.2, D.3, or D.4 and it has athletes able to fulfil the athlete eligibility in Section C, it will receive the final quota places issued through D.4, to start in individual competitions.</p> <p>Women</p> <p>Only NOCs which have not been allocated quota places through D.1, D.2 or D.3 will be eligible to be allocated up to a maximum of (2) quota places.</p> <p>Eligible Athletes earn quota places for their respective NOCs in rank order from the most current IBU qualifying points list (22 January 2018), maximum two (2) quota places per NOC.</p> <p>If the host nation has not been allocated quota places through D.1, D.2, D.3, or D.4 and it has athletes able to fulfil the athlete eligibility in Section C, it will receive the final quota places issued through D.4, to start in individual competitions.</p>
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HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Men Host Country Places in Individual Competitions

If the host nation has not been allocated quota places through D.1, D.2, D.3, or D.4 and it has athletes able to fulfil the athlete eligibility in Section C, it will receive the final quota places issued through D.4, to start one athlete in individual competitions.

Women Host Country Places in Individual Competitions

If the host nation has not been allocated quota places through D.1, D.2, D.3, or D.4 and it has athletes able to fulfil the athlete eligibility in Section C, it will receive the final quota places issued through D.4, to start one athlete in individual competitions.

Mixed Relay Host Country Places

If the host country has not received at least two (2) quota places for men and two (2) quota places for women (allocated through either D.3, D.4 or Host Country Places), it will be allocated the minimum number of additional athletes needed to start with one (1) Mixed Relay team, provided all the athletes are able to fulfil the athlete eligibility in Section C,.



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Men Host Country Relay Places

If the host country has not qualified at least one (1) athlete through the normal qualification pathway, it will be allocated four (4) quota places. The athletes selected to fill these quota places must meet the athlete eligibility in Section C. One (1) athlete will be permitted to start in the individual events and one (1) team comprised of four (4) athletes from the host country will be permitted to start with one (1) Relay team.

If the host country qualifies one (1) athlete through D.4, it will be allocated three (3) additional quota places for the Relay. One (1) team comprised of four (4) athletes from the host country will be permitted to start with one (1) Relay team.

If the host country qualifies two (2) athletes through D.3 or D.4, it will be allocated two (2) additional quota places for the Relay. One (1) team comprised of four (4) athletes from the host country will be permitted to start with one (1) Relay team.

If the host country qualifies four (4) or more athletes through D.1 or D.2, it will not be allocated host country places.

Women Host Country Relay Places

If the host country has not qualified at least one (1) athlete through the normal qualification pathway, it will be allocated four (4) quota places. The athletes selected to fill these quota places must meet the athlete eligibility in Section C. One (1) athlete will be permitted to start in the individual events and one (1) team comprised of four (4) athletes from the host country will be permitted to start with one (1) Relay team.

If the host country qualifies one (1) athlete through D.4, it will be allocated three (3) additional quota places for the Relay. One (1) team comprised of four (4) athletes from the host country will be permitted to start with one (1) Relay team.

If the host country qualifies two (2) athletes through D.3 or D.4, it will be allocated two (2) additional quota places for the Relay. One (1) team comprised of four (4) athletes from the host country will be permitted to start with one (1) Relay team.

If the host country qualifies four (4) or more athletes through D.1 or D.2, it will not be allocated host country places.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

Following each qualification event, IBU will publish the results on its website <http://datacenter.biathlonresults.com> and inform the respective NOCs of their allocated quota places within two (2) weeks of the date on which the quota place was confirmed. The NOCs will then have fourteen (14) days / two (2) weeks to confirm if they wish to use these quota places, as detailed in paragraph **G**.

Qualification Timeline.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

Not applicable.



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G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Qualification	Season 2016/17	
	25 – 27 Nov 2016	IBU Cup Biathlon 1, Beitostolen (NOR)
	28 Nov – 4 Dec 2016	WC Biathlon 1, Östersund (SWE)
	5 – 11 Dec 2016	WC Biathlon 2, Pokljuka (SLO)
	9 – 11 Dec 2016	IBU Cup Biathlon 2, Ridnaun (ITA)
	12 – 18 Dec 2016	WC Biathlon 3, Nove Mesto (CZE)
	15 – 17 Dec 2016	IBU Cup Biathlon 3, Obertilliach (AUT)
	2 – 8 Jan 2017	WC Biathlon 4, Oberhof (GER)
	6 – 8 Jan 2017	IBU Cup Biathlon 4, Martell (ITA)
	9 – 15 Jan 2017	WC Biathlon 5, Ruhpolding (GER)
	12 – 14 Jan 2017	IBU Cup Biathlon 5, Langdorf (GER)
	16 – 22 Jan 2017	WC Biathlon 6, Antholz (ITA)
	23 – 31 Jan 2017	OECH Biathlon 2017, Duszniki-Zdroj (POL)
	3 – 5 Feb 2017	IBU Cup Biathlon 6, Osrblie (SVK)
	8 – 19 Feb 2017	WCH Biathlon 2017, Hochfilzen (AUT)
	22 Feb – 2 Mar 2017	Y/JWCH Biathlon, Ostrov (RUS)
	26 Feb – 5 Mar 2017	WC Biathlon 7, Pyeongchang (KOR)
2 – 5 Mar 2017	IBU Cup Biathlon 7, Kontiolahti (FIN)	
6 – 12 Mar 2017	WC Biathlon 8, Tyumen (RUS)	
8 – 12 Mar 2017	IBU Cup Biathlon 8, Otepää (EST)	
13 – 19 Mar 2017	WC Biathlon 9, Oslo (NOR)	
Inform and confirm	20 March 2017	Publication of 2016/17 World Cup Nations Cup Ranking List
	15 May 2017	IBU to inform NOCs/NFs earning quota places from D.1, D.2 and D.3 of their allocated quota places
	29 May 2017	NOCs earning quota places from D.1, D.2 and D.3 to confirm use of allocated quota places to IBU
Accreditation deadline	9 October 2017	PyeongChang 2018 Accreditation deadline (All potential athletes must be registered in the system)
Qualification	Season 2017/18	
	24 – 26 Nov 2017	IBU Cup Biathlon 1, Beitostolen (NOR)
	27 Nov – 3 Dec 2017	WC Biathlon 1, Östersund (SWE)
	4 – 10 Dec 2017	WC Biathlon 2, Hochfilzen (AUT)
	8 – 10 Dec 2017	IBU Cup Biathlon 2, Lenzerheide (SUI)
	11 – 17 Dec 2017	WC Biathlon 3, Le Grand Bornand (FRA)
	13 – 16 Dec 2017	IBU Cup Biathlon 3, Obertilliach (AUT)
	2 – 7 Jan 2018	WC Biathlon 4, Oberhof (GER)
	5 – 7 Jan 2018	IBU Cup Biathlon 4, Osrblie (SVK)
8 – 14 Jan 2018	WC Biathlon 5, Ruhpolding (GER)	
11 – 13 Jan 2018	IBU Cup Biathlon 5, Langdorf (GER)	
15 – 21 Jan 2018	WC Biathlon 6, Antholz (ITA)	
Inform and	22 January 2018	Publication of IBU Qualifying Points List



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confirm	22 January 2018	IBU to inform the Host Country and NOCs/NFs earning quota places from D.4 of their allocated quota places
	24 January 2018	The Host Country and NOCs earning quota places from D.4 to confirm use of allocated quota places to IBU
Delegation Registration Meetings	26 January – 8 February 2018	PyeongChang 2018 Delegation Registration Meetings
Sport Entries deadline	29 January 2018 (06:00 Korean Time)	PyeongChang 2018 Sport Entries deadline
Games Time	9 – 25 February 2018	Olympic Winter Games PyeongChang 2018