



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES 2018

INTERNATIONAL HANDBALL FEDERATION

Handball *Beach Handball*

A. EVENTS (2)

Men's Events (1)	Women's Events (1)
10-team tournament	10-team tournament

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Handball:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Universality Places	Total
Men	9 or 10	1	N/A	10 team (9 athletes)
Women	9 or 10		N/A	10 team (9 athletes)
Total	19	1	N/A	20 teams (180 players)

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC
Men	1 team (9 athletes)
Women	1 team (9 athletes)
Total	2 teams (18 athletes)*

* According to the Buenos Aires 2018 Qualification Systems Principles, participation in team sports shall be limited to one woman's and one men's team per NOC across team sports (Football, Handball, Hockey, and Rugby) with the exception of the host country who can enter one team per sport.

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, 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 2002.



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D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

QUALIFICATION PLACES

MEN / WOMEN

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
D.1 9 men teams 9 women teams	D.1 Under-17 Beach Handball World Championships (U17 BHWch) U17 BH World Championships will include the top four (4) European teams, the top four (4) Pan-America teams, the top three (3) Asian teams, the top two (2) African teams and the top two (2) Oceania teams from the respective Continental Qualification Events will qualify for the U17 BHWch. The host country of the U17 BHWch will automatically be eligible to enter the U17 BHWch. Nine (9) quota places will be allocated at the U17 BHWch to the top ranked teams of the respective continents according to the distribution below: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 Africa• 2 Asia• 3 Europe• 2 Pan America• 1 Oceania Argentina, as the Host NOC of the YOG, can participate in the U17 BHWCh, however its result will only be valid as a final result of the U17 BHWCh.

HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country will automatically qualify one (1) men's or one (1) women's team on the condition that athletes meet the eligibility requirements described under point C of this document.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION PLACES

On 31 July 2017, the IHF will inform the respective NOCs of their allocated quota places. The NOCs will then have until 6 July 2018 to confirm in writing to the IHF and BAYOGOC 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 the IHF and BAYOGOC by 1 June 2017 the use of its Host Country Places.



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F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

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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 to the next best-ranked NOC from the respective continent not yet qualified from the U17 BHWCh.

If the quota place is still available, it will be reallocated to the best-ranked NOC from the respective continent not yet qualified in the IHF Beach Handball Senior Ranking, of 20 July 2017.

If the quota place is still available, it will be reallocated to the best-ranked NOC not yet qualified in the IHF Beach Handball Senior Ranking, of 20 July 2017.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Any unused Host Country Place (returned or achieved through the U17 BHWCh) will be reallocated to the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified from the Pan American continent at the U17 BHWCh.

If the quota place is still available, it will be reallocated to the best-ranked NOC from Pan America not yet qualified in the IHF Beach Handball Senior Ranking, of 20 July 2017.

If the quota place is still available, it will be reallocated to the best-ranked NOC not yet qualified in the IHF Beach Handball Senior Ranking, of 20 July 2017.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Qualification	1 April 2017 – 30 June 2018	YOG 2018 qualification period for team sports
	11 – 16 July 2017	U17 Beach Handball World Championship
Accreditation Deadline	<date>*	Buenos Aires 2018 Accreditation Deadline (All potential athletes must be registered in the system)
Inform and Confirm	1 June 2017	Host Country to confirm the participation of its men or women team
	31 July 2017	IHF to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places
	6 July 2018	NOCs to confirm the use of allocated quota places to IHF and BAYOGOC
Reallocation	17 July 2018	IHF to reallocate all unused quota places and NOCs to confirm.
	30 August 2018	End of reallocation period
Sport Entries Deadline	31 August 2018	Entries deadline (by name) for all sports
Finalisation of DRP Deadline	<date>*	Finalisation of DRP Deadline
YOG	6 – 18 October 2018	3 ^o Summer Youth Olympics Games – Buenos Aires 2018

*To be defined