



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. 14 Men 14 Women	<p>D.1. Continental Qualification Events</p> <p>The top ranked male and female athletes at the respective Continental Qualification Events will be qualify for the YOG according to the following distribution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Europe – Top four (4) ranked athletes • Asia – Top four (4) ranked athletes • Latin America – Top two (2) ranked athletes • Africa – Top two (2) ranked athletes • Oceania – Top ranked athlete • North America – Top ranked athlete <p>Each NOC may be represented by only one (1) athlete per competition per gender. ITTF to confirm with the continental associations the continental qualification events dates and places by 31 December 2016.</p>
D.2. 12 Men 12 Women	<p>D.2. “Road to Buenos Aires 2018 series”</p> <p>The “Road to Buenos Aires 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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Each NOC may be represented by only one (1) athlete per competition per gender if the NOC has not already a qualified and confirmed athlete through D.1 or through any of the previous Road to Buenos Aires 2018 series.</p> <p>By definition, a “qualified and confirmed athlete” is a player who has qualified through any of the D1, D2 or D3 steps and his/her NOC has confirmed him/her. If at any stage an NOC withdraws the athlete, then the NOC is again eligible to participate in the subsequent qualification events from the date of the rejection. Note that an NOC can reject, and subsequently attempt to qualify a new athlete, a maximum of two (2) times per gender.</p>
D.3. 3 Men 3 Women	<p>D.3 ITTF Under-18 World Ranking</p> <p>The top three (3) ranked age-eligible athletes from an NOC without a qualified and confirmed athlete in the respective gender through D.1 and D.2 on the ITTF Under-18 World Ranking as of July 2018 will qualify for the YOG with a maximum of one (1) per NOC per gender.</p>



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D.4.	<p>D.4 Mixed Team Event</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Teams will be formed according to the following order:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">i. Same NOC team - one (1) boy and one (1) girl from the same NOCii. Continental team - one (1) boy and one (1) girl from different NOCs but from the same continentiii. Intercontinental team - one (1) boy and one (1) girl from different NOCs
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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 one of the last two continental junior championships (or at the regional qualification stage) 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 www.ITTF.com

ITTF will notify all NOCs' on the qualification places from D.3 on 10 July 2018.

The NOCs will then have two (2) weeks after the notification from ITTF, to confirm if they wish to use these quota places to ITTF and BAYOGOC, 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.



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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 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 there are no more eligible athletes from the respective continent to reallocate the quota place to, the unused 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.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 Aires 2018 series” competition.

If the host country returns or achieved its quota places through D.3, 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.

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 - 31 July 2018	YOG 2018 qualification period
	16 - 17 April 2017	African Continental Qualification Event, Tunis (TUN)
	12 - 14 May 2017	Latin American Continental Qualification Event, Santo Domingo (DOM)
	3 - 5 November 2017	Asian Continental Qualification Event, location tbc, (IND)
	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>*	Buenos Aires 2018 Accreditation Deadline (All potential athletes must be registered in the system)
Inform and Confirm	18 April 2017	ITTF to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places through the African Continental Qualification Event
	15 May 2017	ITTF to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places through the Latin American Continental Qualification Event
	6 November 2017	ITTF to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places through the Asian Continental Qualification Event
	6 November 2017	ITTF to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places through the European Continental Qualification Event
	13 November 2017	ITTF to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places through the Oceania Continental Qualification Event
	21 December 2017	ITTF to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places through the North American Continental Qualification Event
	2 May 2017	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to ITTF and BAYOGOC from African Continental Qualification Event
	29 May 2017	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to ITTF and BAYOGOC from Latin American Continental



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		Qualification Event
	20 November 2017	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to ITTF and BAYOGOC from Asian Continental Qualification Event
	20 November 2017	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to ITTF and BAYOGOC from European Continental Qualification Event
	27 November 2017	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to ITTF and BAYOGOC from Oceanian Continental Qualification Event
	2 January 2018	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to ITTF and BAYOGOC from North American Continental Qualification Event
	10 July 2018	ITTF to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places through the Under-18 World Ranking
	10 July 2018	Host Country to confirm the participation of athletes
	24 July 2018	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to ITTF and BAYOGOC from the U-18 World Ranking
Reallocation	25 July 2018	ITTF 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 rd Summer Youth Olympic Games – Buenos Aires 2018

*To be defined