

INTERNATIONAL ROWING FEDERATION

Indoor Rowing

A. Events (7)

2000M EVENTS (4)	
Open Men (M2000m) Lightweight Men (LM2000m)	Open Women (W2000m) Lightweight Women (LW2000m)
500M EVENTS (2)	
Open Men (M500m)	Open Women (W500m)
MIXED EVENT (1)	
4 x 500m Mixed Relay (Mix500mR)	

B. Quotas

QUOTA PER EVENT	EVENT	QUOTA
2,000m Events	Open Men (M2000m)	20
	Open Women (W2000m)	20
	Lightweight Men (LM2000m)	20
	Lightweight Women (LW2000m)	20
500m Events	Open Men (M500m)	15
	Open Women (W500m)	15
Total		110

Note: FISA reserves the right in consultation with the World Games Organising Committee to modify these final numbers depending on qualified entries.

MAXIMUM QUOTA PER NATIONAL FEDERATION	OPEN 2,000M EVENTS	LIGHTWEIGHT 2,000M EVENTS	500M EVENTS	TOTAL PER NATIONAL FEDERATION
Men	1 athlete		1 athlete	2 athletes
Women	1 athlete		1 athlete	2 athletes
TOTAL	2 athletes		2 athletes	4 athletes

Note: All participants in the 2,000m and 500m events shall be eligible to also compete in the Mixed Relay event. No additional quota is available for the Mixed Relay event.

C. Athlete Eligibility

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the International World Games Association (IWGA) Constitution and Rules currently in force.

All athletes must be nominated and entered by their national governing body (national federation) for rowing and have been certified in the Concept 2 Ranking System¹ between 1 September 2016 and 28 February 2017 to be eligible.

ANTI-DOPING TESTS AND CONTROLS

The IWGA adopts the World Anti-Doping Code and enforces its Anti-Doping Rules in compliance with the norms and standards of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA). All athletes qualifying for the Indoor Rowing events shall be subject to out-of competition and in-competition testing in accordance with WADA, IWGA and FISA regulations.

D. Qualification System

QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

Allocation of qualification

The period from 1 September 2016 to 28 February 2017 will serve as the period for performance-based qualification for the 2017 World Games.

It is the athlete who qualifies who participates in the World Games. If the qualified athlete is not able to compete then the place will revert to FISA for reallocation.

1. General Principles for Qualification

Only results using Static Concept 2 Rowing Machines can be used for qualification registration. This will ensure fair worldwide comparison of qualification performance,

National federations must ensure that all athletes wishing to be eligible for qualification are registered with their latest performance result on the Concept 2 Ranking System¹ between 1 September 2016 and 28 February 2017. It is this performance result which shall be used as the basis for qualification.

Any national federation is eligible to qualify athletes for a place at the 2017 World Games if, between 1 September 2016 and 28 February 2017, they have either (i) hosted a national indoor rowing championship; or (ii) sanctioned and recognised another official indoor rowing qualification event within their country; and (iii) recognised an eligible athlete within their country who has a result certified during this period in the Concept 2 Ranking System¹.

The results of all athletes wishing to qualify for the 2017 World Games must be submitted by the national federation of the athletes being nominated via the Concept 2 Ranking System at <http://log.concept2.com/log.asp>. The respective national federations shall be responsible to certify the correctness and accuracy of such submissions and that they adhere to the rules and regulations for submitting results. (see <http://log.concept2.com/rankings.asp>)

2. Qualification Process

¹ For on rules and regulations of submitting results see <http://log.concept2.com/rankings.asp>

2,000m Events

Based on the Concept 2 Ranking System, for each of the four categories of 2,000m events (open men, open women, lightweight men, lightweight women), the highest ranked athletes will be offered a qualification place subject to the following requirements:

- (i) Each national federation’s participation is limited to a maximum of 1 male and 1 female athlete;
- (ii) Each universality region should have at least the minimum number of athletes in each event as shown in the table below “Universality representation”.

500m events

Based on the Concept 2 Ranking System, for each of the two categories (open men and open women) the highest ranked athletes will be offered a qualification place, subject to each national federation’s participation being limited to a maximum of 1 male and 1 female athlete.

NOTE: In the 2,000 m events, if a nation has qualified more than one male athlete or more than one female athlete qualified (example, an Open Male and Lightweight Male), the nation must select one male and one female athlete only respectively. The national federation will have until 1 April 2017 after notification to decide which qualification place to accept. In the 500m events, the same process will be applied if any nation has more than 1 male or 1 female athlete qualified.

UNIVERSALITY REPRESENTATION – 2,000 M EVENTS

Universality places will be used to ensure that each region is represented with a minimum number of athletes. If the minimum number for a region is already achieved within the fastest 20 athletes list, then the universality for that region will be considered fulfilled. If any region does not have the minimum number of places within the fastest 20 list, then athletes from that region with the next highest rankings in the relevant category of the Concept 2 Ranking System shall be offered the qualification places within the 20 available places until all universality places are filled – such athletes will replace those athletes in the top 20 ranking from regions which have exceeded their universality quota starting from the athletes ranked lowest on the list of 20 athletes in each event and moving up the ranking until all regions have met their universality quota.

CATEGORY	AFRICA	LATIN AMERICA & CARIBBEAN	ASIA	OCEANIA [NOT-AUS & NZL]	AUS & NZL	USA & CANADA	EUROPE
Men							
Open	2	2	2	1	1	1	2
Lightweight	2	2	2	1	1	1	2
Women							
Open	2	2	2	1	1	1	2
Lightweight	2	2	2	1	1	1	2

For each universality qualification place, the quota places obtained for the World Games will be allocated to the Athlete in person. In the case of illness, injury or inability to attend, the place will be allocated to the next athlete in an eligible nation from the same continental region. In the case that no candidate can be identified the place will be reallocated at the discretion of the FISA Executive Committee.

Allocation of universality places shall be regarded as met as soon as the required number of athletes from a region have been offered and have accepted qualification places.

NOTE: There is no universality quota for 500m events.

HOST COUNTRY REPRESENTATION

Should the host nation not have achieved a qualification place in either category (men’s or women’s), then two “host country” places, one men and one women will be allocated in a 2,000m event and in the 500m event respectively, based on the same principles as the allocation of universality places, provided that the host country athletes to be allocated such places have met the General Principles for Qualification set out above. These will be considered from the continental allocation for Europe in this case.

E. Confirmation Process for Qualification places

CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUALIFICATION PLACES

FISA will inform all the respective athletes through their national rowing federations by the 15 March 2017 that they have qualified.

To confirm the use of those places, national federations and the athlete must submit a confirmation form to FISA. If the confirmation form is not received by the 1 April 2017, the quota place will be reallocated according to the processes described below in section F.

CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The Host Country must confirm the use of their places by 1 April 2017.

F. Reallocation of unused quota places

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES

If a national federation and/or an athlete are unable to use their place, the next fastest eligible athlete worldwide in that category will be selected, subject to the conditions of universality and maximum quota for any country being met. Re-allocation and confirmation will take place between 1 to 30 April 2017.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

If the host country qualifies an athlete through performance or elects not to use a host country qualification the place will be considered “unused” and will be allocated in accordance with the paragraph “Reallocation of Unused Qualification Places” above.

G. Qualification timeline

DATE	MILESTONE
1 September 2016 and 28 February 2017	A national federation must host a national indoor rowing championships or sanction another indoor rowing event within their country between 1 September 2016 and 28 February 2017 to be eligible to submit an athlete(s).
28 February 2017	National federations must submit the names and performance record of the athletes being nominated via ranking@concept2.com
1 to 15 March 2017	FISA will inform all the qualifying athletes and their national federations by 15 March 2017 that they have qualified. In the case where more than 1 athlete from a nation is ranked in the top 20, the national federation will be asked to make a selection within these categories and nominate to FISA the selected athlete(s) in one female and one male category. To confirm the use of those places, the national federation and the athlete must submit a confirmation form to FISA by the 1 April 2017.
1 April 2017	Host country confirmation of places to FISA.
1 to 30 April 2017	Reallocation of any unused places by FISA.
26 to 30 July 2017	Wroclaw World Games – 4 Day Indoor Rowing Competition within this time period.

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