

2018 Youth Olympic Games Athlete Selection and Requirements

Date: October 6-18, 2018
Venue: Buenos Aires, Argentina

Purpose: This selection process sets out the criteria and procedure for nominating Sailors to the COC for selection to compete in the 2018 Youth Olympic Games, which are scheduled to be held between October 6 and 18, 2018 in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

1. The Events at the Youth Olympic Games

1.1 Unless otherwise directed by the IOC or World Sailing, the Youth Olympic Games includes the events listed in the left column of the table below using the equipment named in the right column below.

Events	Equipment
Men's Kiteboarding	IKA Twin Tip Racing
Women's Kiteboarding	IKA Twin Tip Racing
Men's Windsurfer	Techno 293+
Women's Windsurfer	Techno 293 +
Mixed Multihull	Nacra 15

2. Eligibility

2.1 To be eligible for nomination and selection to compete in an Event at the Youth Olympic Games, the Sailor must:

- a) Be a national of Canada and present proof of nationality (Passport), unless otherwise approved by the IOC or World Sailing Board; and
- b) Be members in good standing of Sail Canada; and
- c) Be born between 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2003; and
- d) Meet all requirements of the Youth Olympic Games 2018 Qualification System:

[http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/201609BuenosAires2018QualificationSystemFINALsailingEN-\[21367\].pdf](http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/201609BuenosAires2018QualificationSystemFINALsailingEN-[21367].pdf) ; and

- e) Has returned a completed Athlete Agreement to COC prior to the Nomination Date agreed by COC

3. Nomination

3.1 Sail Canada may nominate Sailors to the COC on the Nomination Date.

3.2 Canada must qualify for places in an Event in accordance with the Youth Olympic Games 2018 Qualification System. Qualification in an Event by any Sailor does not guarantee that the Sailor will be nominated or selected to compete in an Event at the Games.

3.3 COC has announced the athlete quota for sailing is a total of **4 athletes**.

3.4 Sail Canada shall nominate to the COC the best Sailor of all Eligible Sailors respecting the quota of 4 total athletes based on the process outlined below.

Step 1 – Qualify the Country

- a) Sailors qualify the National Olympic Committee (NOC) at the designated qualification events as outlined previously.
- b) Canada must qualify via the above outlined qualification events to be eligible to nominate an athlete to the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC)
- c) Continental Qualification Events – only nations with the continent (region) are eligible to qualify at these designated events.
- d) The World Championship events are open – countries not qualified through continental qualification can qualify via these events.
- e) In the event that more classes meet the country qualification criteria than the number of sailors eligible within the **4 athlete COC quota** the following priority on classes will be used to determine the classes in which Sail Canada will nominate athletes to COC.

Priority of Classes for nomination:

- 1) Mixed Multihull - Nacra 15
- 2) Windsurfer – Techno 293+
- 3) Kiteboarding – IKA Twin Tip

The following table outlines the total number of countries berths available and the quota allocations as they relate to Canada.

Events	Equipment	Total Countries to Qualify	NA and Caribbean Boat Quota	World Championship Boat Quota
Men’s Windsurfer	Techno 293+	24	2	6
Women’s Windsurfer	Techno 293+	24	2	6
Men’s 1 Kiteboarding	IKA Twin Tip	12	1	4
Women’s Kiteboarding	IKA Twin Tip	12	1	4
Mixed Multihull	Nacra 15	14	1	7

Country Qualification Events:

North American Continental Qualification

Windsurfer – Techno 293+
February 2018: NA Qualifier, TBC (MEX)

Kiteboarding – IKA Twin Tip
Jan 15-20, 2018 Cabarete, DOM

Mixed Multihull – Nacra 15
Nov 18-20, 2017 Miami, USA

World Championship Qualification

Windsurfer – Techno 293+
July 15-20, 2017 Quiberon, FRA

Kiteboarding – IKA Twin Tip
April 10-15, 2018 Shanwei, CHN

Mixed Multihull – Nacra 15
April 22-28, 2018 Barcelona, ESP

Step 2 – Individual Athlete Selection

- a) Sail Canada will only nominate athletes to COC in classes in which Canada has met the Qualification process outlined in Step 1.
- b) The top placing eligible athlete in each qualified class, based on the Class priorities as established above will be nominated by the High Performance Director in consultation with the High Performance Advisory Committee to the COC.
- c) The High Performance Director in consultation with the High Performance Advisory Committee reserves the right to make changes to this document, which in their sole discretion are necessary to meet quota requirements announced by the Canadian Olympic Committee.

4. Replacement Sailors

4.1 If a Sailor has been nominated and selected to the Youth Olympic Games is subsequently suspended or removed from the Games Team or is no longer eligible, Sail Canada High Performance Director may, but does not have to, nominate another Eligible Sailor to the COC for consideration of selection.

5. Appeals

5.1 All appeals of a decision regarding nomination to the 2018 Youth Olympic Sailing Team shall be resolved via the Sail Canada Appeal policy.

<https://www.sailing.ca/files/SCDisputeResolutionPolicyBoardApprovedJuly2012.pdf>