QUALIFICATION SYSTEM
GAMES OF THE XXXIV OLYMPIAD – LA28

WORLD CLIMBING

LEAD

A. EVENTS	MEN	WOMEN
	Lead	Lead

B. QUOTA PLACES

B.1. Total quota places for lead			Total
QUOTA PLACES	10	10	20
HOST COUNTRY QUOTA	1	1	2
UNIVERSALITY PLACES	1	1	2
TOTAL	12	12	24
B.2. Maximum number of athletes per National Olympic Committee (NOC)			
QUOTA PLACES PER NOC	2	2	4
B.3. Type of allocation of quota places			

Quota places are allocated to the athlete(s) by name.

B.4. Participation rights

Cross-qualification participation rights

- Any athlete who has qualified for an event (Boulder or Lead) may also be qualified for another event (Boulder or Lead) in Climbing, provided that the max. NOC quota per event per gender is not exceeded.
- An athlete who qualifies in more than one event will only be counted once in the Climbing's total quota allocation, in an event where an NOC confirms quota acceptance. After the athlete secures a confirmed quota place in the event, the subsequent qualification in another event will not be counted towards quota counting, preserving the quota place available for allocation for the eligible athlete in the respective event.
- If an athlete who has gained a cross-qualification withdraws from a confirmed quota place, their participation rights from the other event will also be forfeited subsequently.

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

C.1. Compliance with the Olympic Charter and other relevant rules

All athletes must respect and comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors) and Rule 43 (World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions), as well as the IOC Policy on the Protection of the Female (Women's) Category in Olympic Sport and Guiding Considerations for International Federations and Sports Governing Bodies (the "Policy").

Only those athletes who respect and comply with the Olympic Charter, the Policy, the World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions, the conditions of participation established by the IOC, as well as the rules or policies of World Climbing, may participate in the LA28 Olympic Games.

Athletes who already have a confirmed quota place in an event may not take part in any subsequent qualification events for the same event, unless stated otherwise under **Section D.**

C.2. Age requirements

To be eligible to participate in the Olympic Games Los Angeles 2028, athletes must be born before 1 January 2012, validated by the passport used for Accreditation (ACR) registration.

C.3. Additional IF Eligibility Criteria

Athletes must also comply with the following criteria:

- Hold a valid international license issued by World Climbing for the Olympic Games year
- Not have been banned from participating in any World Climbing competition during the Olympic Games year.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

	Number of quota places	**Qualification events** (The qualification events are listed in hierarchical order of qualification).
MEN / WOMEN	**D.1.1** **2 Men** **2 Women**	**Continental Multisport Games, June-July 2027** The highest placed athlete per gender from the following Continental Multisport Games will obtain one quota place, respecting the maximum quota per gender per NOC. • European Games, Istanbul (TUR), 24-27June • Pan American Games, Lima (PER), 24-27 July
	D.1.2. **1 Man** **1 Woman**	**World Climbing Championship (Lead) – Brno (CZE), August 2027** ***[Date TBC]*** World Climbing Championship represents the highest competitive level within the qualification system. The highest placed athlete per gender at the World Climbing Championships will be allocated one quota place, respecting the maximum quota per gender per NOC. If an athlete has already obtained a confirmed quota place through **D.1.1.** Continental Multisport Games, they may still participate in the World Climbing Championship for the Championship title but will not receive an additional quota place. In such cases, if the highest-placed athlete at **D.1.2.** is already qualified, the quota place will be allocated to the next highest-placed eligible athlete not yet qualified, respecting the maximum quota per gender per NOC.
	D.1.3. **3 Men** **3 Women**	**World Climbing Continental Qualifiers – September-December 2027** The highest placed athlete per gender from the following Continental Qualifier will obtain one quota place, respecting the maximum quota per gender per NOC. • World Climbing Africa Qualifier [Location and dates TBC] • World Climbing Asia Qualifier [Location and dates TBC] • World Climbing Oceania Qualifier [Location and dates TBC]

MEN / WOMEN	**D.1.4.** **4 Men** **4 Women**	**Olympic Q-Series 2028** The Olympic Q-Series (Q-Series) includes two events: • 04-07 May 2028, Tokyo, Japan • 11-14 May 2028, Shanghai, China • 08-11 June 2028, Orlando, United states The invitation to the Q-Series will be released based on the World Climbing 2027 international events results/rankings. The detailed information on participation criteria is outlined in the separate Qualification System document for Q-Series. Quota places will be allocated by the Series Ranking at the conclusion of the three events, respecting the maximum quota per gender per NOC.
	D.2 **1 Man** **1 Woman**	**Host Country Places** If the host country does not qualify the athletes per gender through the qualification pathway outlined in section D. Qualification Pathway, it will be allocated one host country place for each gender, on condition that the athletes meet the eligibility criteria described under section **C. Athlete Eligibility** of this document. In addition to the Eligibility Criteria, the eligible athletes must have participated at least one of the events mentioned in section **D.** of this document and must be ranked within the top [ranking to be confirmed] per gender in the Series Ranking of the **D.1.4. Olympic Q-Series.**
	D.3. **1 Man** **1 Woman**	**Universality Places** Two universality places, one per gender, are made available to eligible NOCs for the LA28 Olympic Games. On 1 October 2027, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) will invite all eligible NOCs to submit their requests for universality places. The deadline for NOCs to submit their requests is [deadline to be added]. The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of universality places to the relevant NOCs after the end of the qualification period for the sport concerned. Detailed information on universality places is contained in the "Games of the XXXIV Olympiad, Los Angeles 2028 - Olympic Games Universality Places – Allocation Procedure and Regulations" document. The selected athletes shall meet the required eligibility criteria set out under section **C. Athlete Eligibility** of this document. In addition to the Athlete Eligibility, the athletes must qualify for the **D.1.4. Olympic Q-Series** and be ranked with the top [ranking to be confirmed] per gender in the **Series Ranking of D.1.4.**

E. CONFIRMATION

E.1. Confirmation of Quota Places

World Climbing will publish the results of the event within five days after the last day of the event on its website.

World Climbing will confirm in writing to the NOCs within five days after the last day of each event, or ranking, the quota places they have obtained. The NOCs will then confirm to World Climbing if they wish to confirm or decline these quota places, as detailed in section **G. Qualification Timeline**.

If an allocated quota place is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of quota place deadline, or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be allocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete, not yet qualified, from the same event/ranking, respecting the maximum quota per gender per NOC.

When cross-qualification of an athlete occurs within the same **D. Qualification Pathway** where multiple events are held, or when more than one **D. Qualification Pathway** takes place close to one another, World Climbing will inform the NOC in writing to confirm the event awarding the quota place and, consequently, which event to be used for the athlete's participation rights subject to quota place acceptance. Quota allocation will follow the chronological order of qualification events, meaning the event where the athlete first qualifies in time will award the quota place. Participation rights in any other subsequent event for which the athlete has also qualified are conditional upon acceptance of the quota place from the first qualified event. If the NOC declines the quota place from the event occurring first in chronological order, World Climbing will confirm in writing, within five days of receiving the NOC's communication, the allocation of the quota place from the event occurring second in chronological order, where the athlete has also qualified.

E.2. Confirmation of Host Country Places

In case where the host country did not qualify any athletes through the events/rankings outlined in section **D. Qualification Pathway** of this document, World Climbing will send a request in writing to the NOC as outlined in **G. Qualification Timeline**.

World Climbing will ask the NOC if they wish to use the host country place for the eligible athlete(s), applicable per gender, as detailed under section **D.2. Host Country Places**, and the NOC will then confirm to World Climbing if they wish to use such host country place.

F. REALLOCATION

F.1. Reallocation of unused Quota Places

For D.1.2. and D.1.4. Pathways

Unused quota place(s) will be reallocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete, not yet qualified, at the respective event where the quota place was obtained, respecting the maximum quota per gender and per NOC.

In cases where, but not limited to, the event is cancelled or there are no eligible athletes, the unused quota place(s) will be reallocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete, not yet qualified, at the **D.1.4. Olympic Q-Series**, respecting the maximum quota per gender and per NOC.

The reallocation will be implemented according to the timeline in section **G. Qualification Timeline.**

For D.1.1. and D.1.3. Pathway

Unused quota place(s) will be reallocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete from the relevant continent, not yet qualified, at the respective event where the quota place was obtained, respecting the maximum quota per gender and per NOC.

In cases where, but not limited to, the event is cancelled or there are no eligible athletes, the unused quota place will be reallocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete from the relevant continent, not yet qualified, at the **D.1.4. Olympic Q-Series**, respecting the maximum quota per gender and per NOC.

If there are no eligible athletes from the relevant continent at the **D.1.4. Olympic Q-Series**, the unused quota place will be reallocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete irrespective of continent, not yet qualified, at the **D.1.4. Olympic Q-Series**, respecting the maximum quota per gender per NOC.

For cross-qualification

In case where an athlete eligible for a reallocated quota place already holds a confirmed quota place in another event, the athlete may only obtain cross-qualification participation rights and will not receive an additional quota place. World Climbing will confirm the athlete's participation rights in the event concerned to the relevant NOC in writing. The NOC will then accept or decline these participation rights. The unused quota place will be reallocated to the next highest-placed eligible athlete, not yet qualified, respecting the maximum quota per gender and per NOC.

The reallocation will be implemented according to the timeline expressed in section **G. Qualification Timeline.**

F.2. Reallocation of unused Host Country Places

Unused host country places will be reallocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete, not yet qualified, at the **D.1.4. Olympic Q-Series**, respecting the maximum quota per gender and per NOC. The reallocation will be implemented according to the timeline expressed in section **G. Qualification Timeline**.

F.3. Reallocation of unused Universality Places

Any unused Universality place(s) will be reallocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete, not yet qualified, at the **D.1.4. Olympic Q-Series**, respecting the maximum quota per gender and per NOC. The reallocation will be implemented according to the timeline expressed in section **G. Qualification Timeline**.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Qualification	**24-27 June 2027**	**D.1.1. Continental Multisport Games – European Games, Istanbul (TUR)**
Inform and Confirm	**Within five days after the event**	World Climbing confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
	By two weeks after the previous step	NOCs to confirm to World Climbing the use of the allocated quota places.
Qualification	**24-27 July 2027**	**D.1.1. Continental Multisport Games – Pan American Games, Lima (PER)**
Inform and Confirm	**Within five days after each event**	World Climbing confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
	By two weeks after the previous step	The NOCs to confirm to World Climbing the use of the allocated quota places.
Qualification	**X August 2027**	**D.1.2. World Climbing Championship, Brno (CZE)**
Inform and Confirm	**Within five days after the event**	World Climbing confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
	By two weeks after the previous step	The NOCs to confirm to World Climbing the use of the allocated quota places.
Qualification	**September – December 2027**	**D.1.3. World Climbing Continental Qualifiers** • World Climbing Africa Qualifier [Location and dates TBC] • World Climbing Asia Qualifier [Location and dates TBC] • World Climbing Oceania Qualifier [Location and dates TBC]
	Within five days after each event	World Climbing confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.

Inform and Confirm	**By two weeks after the previous step of each event**	The NOCs to confirm to World Climbing the use of the allocated quota places.
Qualification	**04-07 May 2028** **11-14 May 2028** **08-11 June 2028**	**D.1.4. Olympic Q-Series** • May 2028, Tokyo, Japan • May 2028, Shanghai, China • June 2028, Orlando, United States
Inform and Confirm	**Within five days after the end of the series**	World Climbing confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
	By two weeks after the previous step	The NOCs to confirm to World Climbing the use of the allocated quota places.
	After the conclusion of D.1.4. and confirmation of NOCs quota places	Release of any eligible host country places (if needed) World Climbing confirms in writing to the NOC the quota places obtained.
Inform and Confirm	**By date communicated**	The NOC to confirm to World Climbing the use of the allocated quota places.
	After the conclusion of D.3. and confirmation of NOCs quota places	Reallocation of any unused host country places (if needed) World Climbing confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
	By date communicated	The NOCs to confirm to World Climbing the use of the allocated quota places.
	At the end of qualification period	The Tripartite Commission to confirm in writing the allocation of Universality places to the NOCs (where applicable)
	After the conclusion of D.3. and confirmation of NOCs quota places	Reallocation of any unused Universality place (if needed) World Climbing confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
	By date communicated	The NOCs to confirm to World Climbing the use of the allocated quota places.

	After the previous steps are completed	World Climbing to reallocate all unused quota places.
Sport Entries Deadline	**26 June 2028**	**LA28 Olympic Games Sport Entries Deadline**
Inform and Confirm	**Until Technical Meeting**	World Climbing to reallocate any unused quota places post sport-entries deadline. No reallocation allowed upon commencement of Technical Meeting.
Games Time	**14 July – 30 July 2028**	**LA28 Olympic Games**
Competition	**25 – 29 July 2028**	**Climbing (Lead)**