



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM  
GAMES OF THE XXXIV OLYMPIAD – LA28

World Rowing (WR)

**ROWING** 

A. EVENTS	MEN (6)	WOMEN (6)	
	Single Sculls (1x) Pair (2-) Double Sculls (2x) Four (4-) Quadruple Sculls (4x) Eight (8+)	Single Sculls (1x) Pair (2-) Double Sculls (2x) Four (4-) Quadruple Sculls (4x) Eight (8+)	
B. QUOTA PLACES			
B.1. Total quota places for rowing			Total
QUOTA	217*	217*	434
HOST COUNTRY QUOTA	1	1	2
UNIVERSALITY PLACES	1	1	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>438</b>
B.2. Maximum number of athletes per National Olympic Committee (NOC)			
QUOTA PER NOC	22	22	44
EVENT-SPECIFIC QUOTA	1 boat per event	1 boat per event	

### B.3. Type of allocation of quota places

Quota places are allocated to the NOC.

For quota places obtained at the 2027 World Rowing Championships in Lucerne, Switzerland, the NOC may enter a boat with different athletes at the LA28 Olympic Games than those who qualified the boat and these rowers may row in different events at the LA28 Olympic Games than those in which they competed in 2027.

For quota places obtained at the Africa, Asia-Oceania, Americas and European Continental Qualification Regattas and the Final Qualification Regatta, the athletes who qualified the boats at these events have to compete in the same event should they compete at the LA28 Olympic Games. Similarly, in the case of Universality Places, the places are allocated to specific athletes by name, and these athletes must participate in the events if the place is accepted.

## C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

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 Rowing, may participate in the LA28 Olympic Games.

### Additional IF Requirements

**C.1.** Athletes must also comply with the following criteria:

- Adhere to the World Rowing Statutes and Rules of Racing outlined here: <https://rules.worldrowing.com/rules/overall-classic-rowing>
- To be eligible to participate in the 2027 World Rowing Championships, all athletes must be eligible under World Rowing Rules and Regulations ("Rule 12 – Eligibility and Nationality" of the World Rowing Rules of Racing).
- To be eligible to participate in the continental Olympic Qualification Regattas and the final Olympic Qualification Regatta, all athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors).

To be eligible for a universality place in Rowing, athletes proposed from an NOC must attend and participate in at least one of the qualification events and be eligible for the LA28 Olympic Games (as explained above).

## D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

Number of boat quota places available per qualification event (subject to the reallocation of unused quota places):								
		Men Continental Qualification Regattas						
Men	2027 WCH	Asia/Oceania	Africa	Americas	European	Final Quali Regatta	Total Boats	Total Athletes
Single Sculls (1x)	10	5	5	5	3	2	30	30
Pair (2-)	10	-	-	-		2	12	24
Double Sculls (2x)	10	-	-	-		2	12	24
Four (4-)	7	-	-	-		2	9	36
Quadruple Sculls (4x)	7	-	-	-		2	9	36
Eight (8+)	5	-	-	-		2	7	63
<b>Other</b>								
Host Country Places (1x)							1	1
Universality Places (1x)							2	2
Additional coxswains								3
<b>Total Men's Boats</b>	49	5	5	5	3	12	82	219

		Women Continental Qualification Regattas						
Women	2027 WCH	Asia/Oceania	Africa	Americas	European	Final Quali Regatta	Total Boats	Total Athletes
Single Sculls (1x)	10	5	5	5	3	2	30	30
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MEN / WOMEN

An eligible NOC may enter only one boat per event at the relevant Continental Qualification Regatta and only in the events in which it has not already qualified at the 2027 World Rowing Championships.

Entries for the Continental Qualification Regattas should be accompanied by a letter from the NOC confirming that the athletes entered are eligible according to section C. Athlete Eligibility above.

The Continental Qualification Regattas will be held according to the World Rowing Rules of Racing and have the same status as World Rowing Championships (Rule 4).;

The sites of the Continental Qualification Regattas shall be confirmed by World Rowing before the end of 2026.

NOCs of the highest ranked eligible boats at the relevant Continental Qualification Regatta will qualify for the Games according to the number of quota places indicated above.

Subject to the following exceptions:

**For NOCs having qualified one boat at the 2027 World Rowing Championships:**

- An NOC may qualify a maximum of one boat. (*continue in next page*)
- Except in the case where the M1x and W1x placed first at the Continental Qualification Regatta, the NOC shall select the two boats to qualify for the Games.
- In the case where the M1x and W1x have an equal ranking other than first place, the NOC shall select one of these boats to qualify for the Games.
- In the case where an NOC ranking is not equal, the highest ranked eligible boat will qualify.

In all cases mentioned above, the NOC shall have two weeks from notification to decide which boat or boats shall qualify for the LA28 Olympic Games.

## D.3

**World Rowing Final Olympic Qualification Regatta (FOQR) - TBC**

44 Men  
44 Women  
(Total: 88  
athletes)

The World Rowing Final Olympic Qualification Regatta is open to all NOCs that have national Member Federations (MFs) that are members of World Rowing.

For the boat classes listed below, the highest placed NOCs at the Final Olympic Qualification Regatta will qualify according to the number of quota places indicated below:

Boat Class	Men	Women
Single Sculls (1x)	2	2
Pair (2-)	2	2
Double Sculls (2x)	2	2
Four (4-)	2	2
Quadruple Sculls (4x)	2	2
Eight (8+)	2	2

- Subject to section C. Athlete Eligibility above, all NOCs may enter boats in the Final Qualification Regatta in those events in which they have not yet qualified.
- An MF/NOC may enter only one boat per event at the Final Qualification Regatta, and only in the events in which it has not already qualified at the 2027 World Rowing Championships or their respective Continental Qualification Regatta.
- An NOC that entered a boat in an event at a Continental Qualification Regatta but did not qualify, may also enter a boat and attempt to qualify in the same event at the Final Qualification Regatta.
- The athletes who qualify the boat must race in the boat qualified at the FOPQR should they go to the Olympics.
- If an NOC intends to attempt to qualify a crew at the Final Olympic Qualification Regatta (FOQR) using a rower or rowers who have qualified a boat at a Continental Qualification Regatta and plans to have the rower or rowers only compete at the Olympic Games in the crew that qualifies at the FOQR, the NOC and MF must notify World Rowing by the FOQR entry deadline so that other NOCs/MFs can be made aware and thus consider possible impacts on their crews ranking and options to compete at the FOQR/qualify for the LA28Olympic Games.
- If an NOC qualifies a crew at the FOQR and subsequently wishes to decline the quota place obtained at the Continental Qualification Regatta, it must declare this to World Rowing no later than two weeks after the last day of racing at the FOQR. The declined quota place from the FOQR will then be allocated by the World Rowing Executive Committee to the next highest placed eligible crew in that event at the FOQR from the same continent. to an NOC/MF that has qualified a maximum of one crew for the Olympic Games and had also taken part in the relevant Continental Qualification Regatta.
- Entries for the Final Qualification Regatta should be accompanied by a letter signed by the NOC and MF confirming that the athletes entered are eligible according to paragraph C. Athlete Eligibility above.

The Final Qualification Regatta will be held according to the World Rowing Rules of Racing and have the same status as a World Rowing Championships (Rule 4) <https://rules.worldrowing.com/rules/overall-classic-rowing>

D.4.  
Additional  
Boat Quota

**Additional Boat Quota – Final Olympic Qualification Regatta**

For each of the events below, the doubling up quota will be:

	Pair (2-)	Double Sculls (2x)	Four (4-)	Quadruple Sculls (4x)	Eight (8+)
Men	6	6	3	3	3*
Women	6	6	3	3	3*

\*The coxswain quota is 3; however, the additional boat quota can be up to 5. Should an NOC/MF qualify an eight (8+) of the opposite gender for the additional boat quota, the coxswain must double up in both the men and women's eights (8+).

- For NOCs that have qualified athletes through the 2027 World Rowing Championships, Continental Qualification Regattas and Final Olympic Qualification Regatta, the NOC can take part in the Final Olympic Qualification Regatta to attempt to qualify additional boat quota according to the table above.
- The doubling up athletes have to race in a primary event at the LA28 Olympic Games, otherwise their additional boat quota will be withdrawn.
- The athletes who qualify the boat must race in the boat they qualified for the additional boat quota at the FOPQR should they go to the Olympics.
- An NOC may enter only one boat per event and only in the events in which it has not already qualified at the 2027 World Rowing Championships, its respective Continental Qualification Regatta or the Final Olympic Qualification Regatta.
- The NOC must indicate its intention to double up at the entry deadline for the Final Olympic Qualification Regatta. Entries for the FOQR should be accompanied by a letter from the NOC confirming that the athletes entered are eligible according to the Athlete Eligibility criteria above.
- If an NOC has already qualified a coxswain through the 2027 WRCH or the Final Olympic Qualification Regatta, it must use the already qualified coxswain to double up into the additional boat quota for the 8+.
- If an NOC qualifies a doubling up quota at the FOPR and subsequently wishes to decline the quota, it must declare this to World Rowing no later than two weeks after the last day of racing of the FOQR. The declined doubling up quota place from the FOQR will then be attributed by the World Rowing Executive Committee to the next highest placed crew in that event at the FOQR that is eligible for the quota place.
- The FOQR will be held according to the World Rowing Rules of Racing.

**D.5  
Double Ups**

For NOCs that wish to double up athletes within qualified events (separate from the doubling up quota above), the NOC must declare the number of athletes doubling up to World Rowing by 30 April 2028.

All qualified athletes (Aa) must race in the first round of racing (heat), otherwise the crew will be disqualified, unless there is a crew change for medical reasons through the Late Athlete Replacement (LAR) process.

Any unused places will be reallocated by the World Rowing Executive Committee by 11 June 2028.

**D.6  
Host Country  
Quota**

The host country it is guaranteed one quota place for men's single sculls and one for women's single sculls, provided does not obtain a man's or a woman's quota place through qualification pathway.

If the host country's guaranteed quota places are not used, they will be reallocated in accordance with the "Reallocation of Unused Host Country Places" below.

**D.7  
Universality  
Places**

Four universality places are being made available to eligible NOCs at the LA28 Olympic Games: two men's singles and two women's singles.

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 15 January 2028. 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 "Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games - Tripartite Commission Universality Places - Allocation Procedure" document.

## E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS

### E.1 CONFIRMATION OF QUOTA PLACES

World Rowing will publish the results of the event within three days after the event on its website <https://worldrowing.com/events/>.

World Rowing will confirm in writing to the NOCs within five days after the last day of each event the quota places they have obtained. The NOCs will then have two weeks to confirm to World Rowing if they wish to use these quota places as detailed in the Qualification Timeline below.

### E.2. CONFIRMATION OF HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Following the conclusion of the Final Qualification Regatta, the host country must confirm in writing to World Rowing, within one week, of its intention to use its allocated host country places.

## F. REALLOCATION

### F.1. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

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 reallocated:

- If the boat qualified through the 2027 World Rowing Championships, the quota place will be reallocated to the next highest placed eligible boat not yet qualified from the same event at the World Championships.
- If the boat qualified through a Continental Qualification Regatta, the quota place will be reallocated to the next highest placed eligible boat from an NOC that has not yet qualified a boat for the Olympic Games, whether through the World Rowing Championships or from the same event at the Continental Qualification Regatta. Where there are no further crews to which qualifying places can be allocated, such places shall be added to the qualifying places in the same event at the Final Qualification Regatta.
- If the boat qualified through the World Rowing Final Qualification Regatta, the quota place will be allocated to the next highest placed eligible boat in that event.
- Where there are no further crews to which qualifying places can be allocated at the Final Qualification regatta, these places may be reallocated taking into consideration the following criteria in no particular order: universality, performance, representation and participation in qualification events. For this specific purpose, any boat class quota can be transferred to another boat class or gender as long as the total athlete quota and the total quotas per gender are respected.

Any unused places will be reallocated by the World Rowing Executive Committee by 11 June 2028. The decisions of the World Rowing Executive Committee in this regard will be final.

### F.2. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Unused host country places will be reallocated to the NOC of the next highest-ranked eligible boat in the Single Sculls (1x) in the respective gender at the Final Olympic Qualification Regatta that has not yet qualified a boat for the LA28 Olympic Games at either the World Rowing Championships or the Continental Qualification Regatta.

### F.3. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED ROWING (ROW) OR COASTAL ROWING (RCB)

In the case where an athlete qualifies for both rowing and coastal rowing, the overall quota for that athlete will be counted as one. The remaining quota of one will then be reallocated by the World Rowing Executive Committee.

## G. AP ATHLETES

### Definition

- G.1.** Ap athletes are non-competing athletes accredited in the “Ap” category who have different entitlements from competing athletes (accredited as “Aa”) as described in the Ap accreditation quotas and conditions outlined in the IOC Accreditation Guide. These personnel are not part of the athlete quota as described in paragraph B. Quota Places. Ap alternate athletes could become competing athletes subject to the conditions outlined in the IOC/Los Angeles 2028 Late Athlete Replacement policy.

### Eligibility

- G.2.** Ap alternate athletes must comply with the same eligibility rules as competing athletes as described in paragraph **C. Athlete Eligibility** above.

### Quota

- G.3.** Each qualified boat in the following events may be allocated one Ap alternate athlete:

- Men’s Four (4-)
- Men’s Quadruple Sculls (4x)
- Men’s Eight (8+)
- Women’s Four (4-)
- Women’s Quadruple Sculls (4x)
- Women’s Eight (8+)

However, if an NOC qualifies both a Men’s Four (4-) and a Men’s Eight (8+) or a Women’s Four (4-) and a Women’s Eight (8+), they are only entitled to one Ap alternate athlete between both boats.

Ap alternate athletes may be used by NOCs in any of the relevant events. The above system is the means to allocate the “Ap” accreditations.

## H. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Qualification	31 December 2026	World Rowing to determine the location of Continental Olympic Qualification Regattas
	23-29 August 2027	2027 World Rowing Championships, Lucerne, Switzerland
	Within five days after the 2027 WRC	World Rowing confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained from 2027 WRC.
	Two weeks following quota allocation notification from World Rowing	The NOCs confirm within two weeks of quota allocation notification to World Rowing the use of the allocated quota places from 2027 WRCH.
	TBC	Africa Continental Qualification Regatta, TBD
	TBC	Americas Continental Qualification Regatta, TBD
	TBC	Asia & Oceania Continental Qualification Regatta, TBD
	TBC	European Continental Qualification Regatta, TBD
	Within five days after the Continental Qualification Regatta	World Rowing confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
	Two weeks following quota allocation notification from World Rowing	The NOCs confirm within two weeks of quota allocation notification to World Rowing the use of the allocated quota places.
Information and Confirmation	TBC	Final Olympic Qualification Regatta, TBD
	Within five days after the FOQR	World Rowing confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained at the FOQR.
	Two weeks after the FOQR	The NOCs confirm within two weeks of quota allocation notification to World Rowing the use of the allocated quota places from FOQR.
	TBC	World Rowing to reallocate all unused quota places.
	TBC	The Tripartite Commission to confirm in writing the allocation of the universality places to the NOCs (where applicable).
	11 June 2028	World Rowing to reallocate any unused quota places.
	26 June 2028	LA28 Sport Entries deadline
	TBC	Olympic Regatta Draw meeting
	14 to 30 July 2028	LA28 Olympic Games