

**QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES 2018****FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION****Football
Futsal****A. EVENTS (3)**

Men's Events (1)	Women's Events (1)
10-team tournament	10-team tournament

B. ATHLETES QUOTA**1. Total Quota for Football:**

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Total
Men	9 / 10 teams	1 team	10 teams (100 athletes)
Women	9 / 10 teams		10 teams (100 athletes)
Total	19 teams	1 team	20 teams (200 athletes)

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC
Men	1 team (10 athletes)
Women	1 team (10 athletes)
Total	2 teams (20 athletes)*

* According to the Buenos Aires 2018 Qualification Systems Principles, participation in team sports shall be limited to one women's and one men's team per NOC across team sports (Football, Handball, Hockey, and Rugby) with the exception of the host country who can enter one team per sport

3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota place is allocated to the NOC.

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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FIFA has six (6) Confederations as follows:

<i>Asia</i>	<i>AFC</i>	<i>Asian Football Confederation</i>
<i>Africa</i>	<i>CAF</i>	<i>Confédération Africaine de Football</i>
<i>Europe</i>	<i>UEFA</i>	<i>Union of European Football Associations</i>
<i>North America and the Caribbean</i>	<i>CONCACAF</i>	<i>Confederation of North, Central American and Caribbean Association Football</i>
<i>South America</i>	<i>CONMEBOL</i>	<i>Confederación Sudamericana de Fútbol</i>
<i>Oceania</i>	<i>OFC</i>	<i>Oceania Football Confederation</i>

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
D.1. 10 teams per gender	<p>D.1. Continental Qualification Tournaments</p> <p>The best ranked NOC in each of the six (6) Continental Qualification Tournaments will each obtain quota places according to the following distribution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Africa – the best ranked NOC will obtain one (1) quota place. • Asia – the two (2) best ranked NOCs will obtain one (1) quota place. • Europe – the two (2) best ranked NOCs will obtain one (1) quota place. • North America and the Caribbean – the two (2) best ranked NOCs will obtain one (1) quota place. • South America – the two (2) best ranked NOCs will obtain one (1) quota place. In case the host country confirms its allocation in either of the genders, the total number of places available for South America will be reduced by one (1) for the respective gender. • Oceania – the best ranked NOC will obtain one (1) quota place <p><u>For the men's tournament:</u> If for a particular Confederation there is no qualification tournament, or the tournament is not confirmed by 31 December 2017, the best ranked NOC, from the respective Confederation at the FIFA Futsal World Cup Colombia 2016 will obtain one (1) quota place.</p> <p>Should there be no teams remaining from the respective Confederation, the FIFA Ranking of 15 May 2018 (http://www.fifa.com/fifa-world-ranking/ranking-table/men/) will be used to determine the next best ranked NOC not yet qualified that will obtain one (1) quota place.</p> <p><u>For the women's tournament:</u> If for a particular Confederation there is no qualification tournament, or the tournament is not confirmed by 31 December 2017, the best ranked team from the respective</p>

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Confederation from a senior Futsal tournament will be allocated the quota place. Should there still be quota places available for allocation, the best ranked NOC not yet qualified from the respective Confederation, on the women's FIFA ranking (<http://www.fifa.com/fifa-world-ranking/ranking-table/women/>) will obtain one (1) quota place for their NOC.

HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Argentina, as host country, has the right to directly qualify one (1) men's or one (1) women's futsal team for the YOG.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES**CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION PLACES**

FIFA shall confirm NOCs' qualification place(s) immediately following each qualifying event.

NOCs will then have to confirm in writing to FIFA and BAYOGOC the use of their quota place by 6 August 2018.

CONFIRMATION OF HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country must confirm in writing to the FIFA and BAYOGOC by 15 May 2018 the use of its Host Country Place.

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 to the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified from the relevant Confederation Qualification Tournaments.

For the men's tournament:

If the quota place is still available, it will be reallocated to the next best ranked NOC not yet qualified using the ranking of the FIFA Futsal World Cup Colombia 2016.

Should there be no teams remaining from the respective Confederation, the FIFA Ranking of 15 May 2018 (<http://www.fifa.com/fifa-world-ranking/ranking-table/men/>) will be used to determine the next best ranked NOC not yet qualified that will obtain one (1) quota place.

For the women's tournament:

If the quota place is still available, it will be reallocated to the next best ranked NOC not yet qualified from the respective Confederation, from a senior Futsal tournament will obtain one (1) quota place for their NOC.

Should there still be quota places available for allocation, the best ranked NOC not yet qualified from the respective Confederation, on the women's FIFA ranking (<http://www.fifa.com/fifa-world-ranking/ranking-table/women/>) will obtain one (1) quota place for their NOC.

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Any unused Host Country Place (returned) will be reallocated to the next best-ranked NOC from South America, from the qualification tournament.

For the men's tournament:

If the quota place is still available, it will be reallocated to the next best ranked NOC not yet qualified using the ranking of the FIFA Futsal World Cup Colombia 2016.

Should there be no teams remaining from the respective Confederation, the FIFA Ranking of 15 May 2018 (<http://www.fifa.com/fifa-world-ranking/ranking-table/men/>) will be used to determine the next best ranked NOC not yet qualified that will obtain one (1) quota place.

For the women's tournament:

If the quota place is still available, it will be reallocated to the next best ranked NOC not yet qualified from the respective Confederation, from a senior Futsal tournament will obtain one (1) quota place for their NOC.

Should there still be quota places available for allocation, the best ranked NOC not yet qualified from the respective Confederation, on the women's FIFA ranking (<http://www.fifa.com/fifa-world-ranking/ranking-table/women/>) will obtain one (1) quota place for their NOC.



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G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Qualification	1 April 2017 - 30 June 2018	YOG 2018 qualification period for team sports
	By 30 September 2017	FIFA to confirm locations of qualification tournaments (if applicable)
	9–21 May 2017	AFC U-20 Futsal Championship 2017 for Men
	15–26 August 2017	AFC Women's Futsal Championship 2017
	<date>*	CAF Qualification Tournament (Location TBC)
	<date>*	CONCACAF Qualification Tournament (Location TBC)
	<date>*	CONMEBOL Qualification Tournament (Location TBC)
	<date>*	UEFA Qualification Tournament (Location TBC)
	<date>*	OFC Qualification Tournament (Location TBC)
	15 May 2018	FIFA to inform NOCs of their allocated quota place through ranking
Accreditation Deadline	24 May 2018	Buenos Aires 2018 Accreditation Deadline (all potential athletes must be registered in the system)
Inform and Confirm	<date>*	Host Country to confirm the participation of its boys' team
	<date>*	FIFA to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places
	06 August 2018	Deadline for NOCs to confirm team quota places to IFs and BAYOGOC
Reallocation	From 17 July 2018	FIFA 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	6 September 2018	Finalisation of DRP Deadline
YOG	6 – 18 October 2018	3 rd Summer Youth Olympic Games – Buenos Aires 2018

*To be defined