



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – GAMES OF THE XXXII OLYMPIAD – TOKYO 2020

INTERNATIONAL SURFING ASSOCIATION (ISA)

Surfing

A. EVENTS (2)

Men's Events (1)	Women's Events (1)
Shortboard	Shortboard

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Surfing:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Total
Men	19	1	20
Women	19	1	20
Total	38	2	40

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC	Event Specific Quota
Men	2*	2* athletes per event
Women	2*	2* athletes per event
Total	4*	

* this number could increase to three (3) per NOC in case not all quota places of the World Surf League can be attributed. Please refer to section D. Qualification Pathway for details.

3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota place is allocated to the athlete(s) by name in the following event(s):

- 2019 World Surf League Championship Tour
- 2019 and 2020 or 2021* ISA World Surfing Games
- 2019 Pan American Games

**Should for whatever reason the 2020 or 2021 ISA World Surfing Games not be held, the remaining quota places will be allocated at the 2019 ISA World Surfing Games.

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) and Rule 43 (World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement)



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Code on the Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions). Only those athletes who comply with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Games.

Additional IF Eligibility Criteria:

To be eligible to participate in the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020, all athletes must:

- be in good standing with his/her National Federation (“NF”) and the ISA in accordance with the ISA Rule Book in force at the time of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.
- have fulfilled the minimum participation requirements in the ISA World Junior Surfing Championships (where applicable) and the 2019 and 2020 ISA World Surfing Games*, as per the ISA regulations outlined through the following link:
- http://isasurf.org/ISA_Olympic_Eligibility_and_Nomination_Requirements_Tokyo_2020.pdf

*In the event that the 2020 ISA World Surfing Games cannot be held, the 2021 ISA World Surfing Games shall replace this event within the Athlete Eligibility. In the event that neither the 2020 or 2021 ISA World Surfing Games can be held, participation in such events would no longer be applicable as per the Eligibility and Nomination Requirements.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

QUALIFICATION PLACES

The qualification events are listed in hierarchical order of qualification.

MEN

Number of Quota Places per gender	Qualification Event
10	<p>World Surf League (WSL) Championship Tour (CT) between March 2019 and December 2019.</p> <p>The ten (10) highest ranked eligible athletes in the men’s 2019 WSL CT ranking will obtain a quota place.</p> <p>In the event there is a tie in the ranking when determining the highest placed eligible athlete, the athletes’ next highest result from the 2019 WSL CT will be used to break the tie.</p> <p>Should there not be 10 eligible athletes within the top 34 ranked athletes of the 2019 WSL CT, any remaining quota places shall be allocated as follows in order of priority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To the highest ranked surfer on the 2019 WSL CT rankings from the country of the men’s and women’s team gold medalists in the WSG in 2020. Should there be no athlete represented on the 2019 WSL CT rankings from the NOC of the 2020 WSG team gold medalists, the highest ranked athlete from the NOC from final 2019 WSL Qualifying Series (QS) rankings shall be used to determine the qualified athlete. - Should there still be quota places remaining, such places will be allocated to the next highest ranked eligible athletes on the final 2019 WSL Qualifying System (QS) rankings. - In case the allocation pursuant to the two precedent paragraphs goes to an NOC that has already qualified two (2) athletes, such NOC would be allowed to bring a third athlete in the respective event.



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4	<p>2021 ISA World Surfing Games</p> <p>The four (4) highest placed eligible athletes at the 2021 ISA World Surfing Games will obtain a quota place.</p> <p>In case an NOC qualifies more than the maximum of athletes per NOC as set under section B. Athletes quota, the results from the 2021 ISA World Surfing Games will prevail and the place from the 2019 ISA World Surfing Games and/or Pan American Games 2019 will be reallocated to the next best ranked from the respective continent subject to the athlete being inside the ISA quality control.</p> <p>In the event that the 2021 ISA World Surfing Games cannot be held, the results from the 2019 ISA World Surfing Games will be used to determine the next highest ranked eligible athletes to obtain a quota place, respecting the continental quotas already provisionally qualified. In case an NOC qualifies more than the maximum of athletes per NOC as set under section B. Athletes quota, the continental results from the 2019 ISA World Surfing Games will prevail and the place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked eligible athlete.</p> <p>In the event there is a tie in the ranking when determining the highest placed eligible athlete, the athlete with the highest heat-score total from their final heat in the respective event will obtain the quota place.</p>
5	<p>Continental representation</p> <p>The highest placed eligible athlete from each continent, with the exception of the Americas, will obtain one (1) quota place based on the results at the 2019 ISA World Surfing Games, subject to the athlete being inside the ISA quality control ranking. The quality control ranking shall be defined by having finished within the top 30 overall in the open division at the 2019 ISA World Surfing Games.</p> <p>For the Americas, the highest placed athlete at the Pan American Games 2019 not yet qualified will obtain one (1) quota place.</p> <p>In the event there is a tie in the ranking when determining the highest placed eligible athlete, the athlete with the highest heat-score total from their final heat in the respective event will obtain the quota place.</p>



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WOMEN

Number of Quota Places per gender	Qualification Event
8	<p>World Surf League (WSL) Championship Tour (CT) between March 2019 and December 2019.</p> <p>The eight (8) highest ranked eligible athletes in the women's 2019 WSL CT ranking will obtain a quota place.</p> <p>In the event there is a tie in the ranking when determining the highest placed eligible athlete, the athletes' next highest result from the 2019 WSL CT will be used to break the tie.</p> <p>Should there not be 8 eligible athletes within the top 17 ranked athletes of the 2019 WSL CT, any remaining quota places shall be allocated as follows in order of priority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- To the highest ranked surfer on the 2019 WSL CT rankings from the country of the men's and women's team gold medalists in the WSG in 2020. Should there be no athlete represented on the 2019 WSL CT rankings from the NOC of the 2020 WSG team gold medalists, the highest ranked athlete from the NOC from final 2019 WSL Qualifying Series (QS) rankings shall be used to determine the qualified athlete.- Should there still be quota places remaining, such places will be allocated to the next highest ranked eligible athletes on the final 2019 WSL Qualifying System (QS) rankings.- In case the allocation pursuant to the two precedent paragraphs goes to an NOC that has already qualified two (2) athletes, such NOC would be allowed to bring a third athlete in the respective event.
6	<p>2021 ISA World Surfing Games</p> <p>The six (6) highest placed eligible athletes, at the 2021 ISA World Surfing Games will obtain a quota place.</p> <p>In case an NOC qualifies more than the maximum of athletes per NOC as set under section B. Athletes quota, the results from the 2021 ISA World Surfing Games will prevail and the place from the 2019 ISA World Surfing Games and/or Pan American Games 2019 will be reallocated to the next best ranked from the respective continent subject to the athlete being inside the ISA quality control.</p> <p>In the event that the 2021 ISA World Surfing Games cannot be held, the results from the 2019 ISA World Surfing Games will be used to determine the next highest ranked eligible athletes to obtain a quota place, respecting the continental quotas already provisionally qualified. In case an NOC qualifies more than the maximum of athletes per NOC as set under section B. Athletes quota, the continental results from the 2019 ISA World Surfing Games will prevail and the place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked eligible athlete.</p> <p>In the event there is a tie in the ranking when determining the highest placed eligible athlete, the athlete with the highest heat-score total from their final heat in the respective event will obtain the quota place.</p>



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HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The Host Country is guaranteed one (1) quota place per gender, namely the Olympic place 20. Olympic place 20 will be allocated to the NOC of Japan only if no athlete from Japan has earned any qualification places.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

Following each qualification event, ISA will publish the results on its website **ISA – www.isasurf.org** and inform the respective NOCs of their allocated quota places, conditional upon an athlete earning the allocated quota and fulfilling all eligibility requirements. The NOCs will then have **2 weeks** to confirm if they wish to use these quota places, as detailed in paragraph **H. Qualification Timeline**.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

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If a quota place allocated is not confirmed by the NOC by the deadline for confirmation or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked athlete not yet qualified at the respective event, respecting the maximum quota places per NOC as specified under Section B above.

If the athlete qualified through ISA Continental Qualifying Event – 2019 ISA World Surfing Games and/or Pan American Games 2019, the quota place will be reallocated to next highest ranked athlete in the respective event provided the athletes are within the ISA quality control ranking and respecting the maximum quota places per NOC as specified under Section B above.

If no available athlete from the continents finish within the ISA quality control ranking, the place will be allocated to the next best ranked athlete, not yet qualified, regardless of the continent.



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REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

If athletes from Japan have earned one or several qualification places in application of the qualification pathway described in **section D. Qualification Pathway** above, the relevant Host Country Place(s) shall be reallocated to the next highest ranked eligible athlete at the 2021 ISA World Surfing Games*, respecting the maximum quota places per NOC as specified under Section B above.

*In the event that the 2021 ISA World Surfing Games cannot be held, the results from the 2019 ISA World Surfing Games will be used for reallocation.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone
April 2019 – June 2021	Qualification Period
7-15 September 2019	2019 ISA World Surfing Games, Miyazaki, JPN
29 May – 6 June 2021	2021 ISA World Surfing Games, ESA
April 2019 – December 2019	World Surf League Championship Tour
26 July 2019 – 11 August 2019	Pan American Games, Lima, PER
	Confirmation of allocation of quota
On or before 14 June 2021	ISA will publish the results on its website ISA – www.isasurf.org and inform the respective NOCs of their eligible allocated quota places, conditional upon an athlete earning the allocated quota and fulfilling all eligibility requirements.
Within fifteen (15) days from receiving the confirmation of quota allocation	Deadline for NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to ISA
29 June 2021	ISA to reallocate all unused quota places
5 July 2021	Tokyo 2020 Sport Entries deadline
23 July – 8 August 2021	Olympic Games Tokyo 2020