BADMINTON WORLD FEDERATION AIRBADMINTON



A. EVENTS (4)

Men's Event (1)	Women's Event (1)	Mixed Event (2)
Men's Triples	Women's Triples	Mixed Doubles* Mixed Team Relay*

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for AirBadminton:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Invitation Places	Total
Men	10 triples	1 triple	1 triple	12 triples
	(30 athletes)	(3 athletes)	(3 athletes)	(36 athletes)
Women	10 triples	1 triple	1 triple	12 triples
	(30 athletes)	(3 athletes)	(3 athletes)	(36 athletes)
Total	20 triples	2 triples	2 triples	24 triples
	(60 athletes)	(6 athletes)	(6 athletes)	(72 athletes)

^{*} The quotas in this qualification system are only allocated for the Men's Triples and Women's Triples event. The Mixed Team Relay and Mixed Doubles will be composed with athletes qualified for the Men's and Women's Triples.

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC	Event specific quota per NOC
Men	1 triple (3 athletes)	1 triple (3 athletes)
Women	1 triple (3 athletes)	1 triple (3 athletes)
Mixed Doubles	-	2 doubles (4 athletes)
Mixed Team	-	1 team (6 athletes)
Total	2 triples (6 athletes)	

The allocation and reallocation of quota places is in all cases subject to this maximum quota allocation per NOC.

3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota places are allocated to the NOC.





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C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the following eligibility criteria (together, the **Athlete Eligibility Criteria**):

1. ANOC Eligibility Criteria

All athletes must respect and comply with the provisions of the <u>ANOC World Beach Games Regulations</u> ("AWBG Regulations") currently in force, including but not limited to, Section IV, Rule 3 (Nationality of Competitors) and Section XI (World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions).

Only those athletes who respect and comply with the AWBG Regulations, the World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions, including the conditions of participation established by ANOC, plus the rules of the respective IF, may participate in the ANOC World Beach Games 2023.

Note: Section IV, Rule 1, of the AWBG Regulations provides that with regard to athlete eligibility in the case of conflict between the AWBG Regulations and the rules of the International Federation, the AWBG Regulations prevail. For the avoidance of doubt, the placing of more stringent requirements for athlete eligibility shall not be considered to be a case of "conflict" and in those cases, the more stringent rules shall apply.

2. Additional IF Eligibility Criteria:

To be eligible to participate in the ANOC World Beach Games 2023, all athletes must be in good standing with his/her National Association and the Badminton World Federation (BWF) and be eligible to represent the nominating country.

NOCs may only nominate athletes for participation in the ANOC World Beach Games 2023 if their country's National Association is a current BWF member in good standing. NOCs can nominate and inscribe different athletes at the ANOC World Beach Games than those who played the Continental Qualification Competitions.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

In this Qualification System, the following definitions are used:

Quota place means the qualification of three (3) athletes, comprising a triple, in order to guarantee their participation in the Men's or Women's Triples events.

World Team Ranking means the BWF World Team Ranking (published quarterly according to the BWF Competitions Regulations) as published on 3 January 2023. The Badminton World Federation will publish the ranking on its <u>website</u>.

Continents means the five (5) Badminton Continental bodies: Africa (BCA), Asia (BA), Europe (BE), Oceania (BO), and Pan America (BPA).





1. Qualification Places:

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Pathway
D.1.1	BWF World Team Ranking
5 triples (15 Men) 5 triples (15 Women)	The five (5) highest ranked teams based on the BWF World Team Ranking as of 3 January 2023, will each receive one (1) direct acceptance quota place for their NOC in the Men's Triples and the Women's Triples event (3 Men and 3 Women) according to the following conditions:
	 A maximum of three (3) NOCs from the same Continent can qualify through Direct Acceptance.
	 To be eligible to accept a Direct Acceptance quota place, NOCs must participate in their Continental Qualification Competition.
	 The host country shall not be considered in the BWF World Team ranking as of 3 January 2023.
	Should there be more than three (3) NOCs from the same continent among the five (5) highest ranked teams at the BWF World Team Ranking as of 3 January 2023, then the quota places will be allocated to the NOC with the next highest ranked team on the BWF World Team Ranking, without considering teams from that continent.
D.1.2	Continental Qualification Competitions
5 triples (15 Men) 5 triples (15 Women)	To ensure continental representation, the highest ranked triples per gender from an NOC not yet having qualified a triple through D.1.1 , from each of the five (5) Continental Qualification Competitions will obtain one (1) quota place (three (3) athletes) for their NOC.
	Should the highest ranked triple of the Continental Qualification Competitions be from an NOC already qualified through the BWF World Teams Ranking as outlined in section D 1.1 , then the quota place will be reallocated to the NOC with the second highest ranked triple (silver medalist) of the respective Continental Qualification Competition. Thereafter, any remaining quota place will be reallocated to the NOC, not yet qualified, with the next highest ranked triples of that respective Continental Qualification Competition until all places have been filled, respecting the maximum number of triples/athletes per NOC specified in section B, paragraph 2 .
	In the event that a Continental Qualification Competition does not take place before the qualification period ends, the highest ranked team of that continent based on the BWF World Team Ranking as of 4 April 2023 and not yet qualified will each receive one (1) direct acceptance quota place for their NOC in the Men's Triples and the Women's Triples event (3 Men and 3 Women).
	The host country shall not be considered in the ranking of the Continental Qualification Competition for the purpose of allocation.





2. Host Country Places:

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Pathway
D.2.1 1 triple (3 Men) 1 triple (3 Women)	The Host Country is guaranteed one (1) Men's Triples and one (1) Women's Triples, provided that they comply with the eligibility criteria outlined in section C . If the Host Country is not using their host country quota place(s), then it will be reallocated as per the procedure indicated in section F .

3. Invitation Places:

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Pathway
D.3.1 1 triple (3 Men) 1 triple (3 Women)	One (1) quota place (three (3) athletes) per gender will be made available as an invitation quota place to eligible NOCs to participate at the ANOC World Beach Games 2023 that have not previously qualified as outlined in section D , paragraph 1 and provided the respective athletes comply with the eligibility criteria outlined in section C .
	By 1 July 2023, the Badminton World Federation (BWF) will propose to ANOC to invite eligible NOCs. The Invitation Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of the invitation quota place with the relevant NOCs following the end of the qualification period for AirBadminton. The deadline for an NOC to accept the invitation is 4 July 2023.
	The allocation of the Invitation quota places is in the absolute discretion of the Invitation Commission provided the invited athletes comply with the eligibility criteria outlined in section C. If the Invitation Commission is not able to allocate an Invitation Place, it will be reallocated as per the procedure indicated in section F .

4. Mixed Doubles:

Mixed Doubles teams will be composed of already qualified athletes for the Men's and Women's Triples events. The team compositions must be submitted in writing by the NOCs to ANOC and BWF within the Sport Entries deadline.

Number of Places	Qualification Pathway
D.4.1 Up to 24 mixed doubles (24 Men & 24 Women)	All NOCs, which are represented in both Triples events (Men's and Women's), must enter two (2) teams for the Mixed Doubles event.





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5. Mixed Team Relay:

Mixed Team Relay teams will be composed of already qualified athletes for the Men's and Women's Triples events. The team compositions must be submitted in writing by the NOCs to ANOC and BWF within the Sport Entries deadline.

Number of Places	Qualification Pathway
D.5.1 Up to 12 teams (36 Men & 36 Women)	All NOCs, which are represented in both Triples events (Men's and Women's), must enter one (1) team for the Mixed Team Relay event. The mixed team relay will consist of 1x Mixed Doubles, 1x Women's Doubles, 1x Men's Doubles, 1x Triples consisting of two male players and one female player (XT1) and 1x Triples consisting of two female players and one male player (XT2). See BWF regulations for details.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

The Badminton World Federation and ANOC will publish the results and the allocations of quotas on their websites (<u>www.bwf.sport</u>) following each qualification event and will inform the respective NOCs of their allocated quota places starting from 1 February 2023.

Once the NOCs have been informed of the allocation of quotas, NOCs will then have two (2) weeks to confirm in writing if they wish to use these quota places. In the case an NOC is informed in July 2023 of their allocated quota places, then the NOC will have three (3) days to confirm in writing if they wish to use these quota places, as detailed in **section G**.

If a confirmation is not provided by the deadline, the quota place(s) obtained will be reallocated as per the procedure indicated **in section F**. NOCs will have 48 hours to confirm in writing with ANOC and BWF if they wish to use quota places that have been obtained through the reallocation procedure indicated **in section F**.

The quota(s) for the host country places must be confirmed in writing with ANOC and BWF by 4 July 2023. If the confirmation is not provided by the deadline, then the quota place(s) will be reallocated as per the procedure indicated in **section F**.

When confirming the quota places, NOCs must preliminarily indicate the names of the nominated players for the Triples, the Mixed Doubles' and Team Relay teams, if applicable. NOC's that qualify a Triple in each gender, must also commit and confirm their participation in the Mixed Doubles event with two (2) teams and in the Mixed Team Relay event with one (1) team.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

1. Reallocation of unused Qualification Places:

If an allocated quota place is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation deadline or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be reallocated as follows:





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- a) If qualified through the **BWF World Team Ranking** as specified in **D.1.1**, then the quota place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked NOC on the BWF World Team Ranking as of 3 January 2023, not yet qualified, respecting the conditions set out in **D.1.1** and respecting the maximum number of triples/athletes per NOC specified in **section B**, **paragraph 2**.
- b) If qualified through the Continental Qualification Competitions as specified in D.1.2, then the quota place will be reallocated to the NOC, not yet qualified, with the next highest ranked triple of the relevant Continental Qualification Competition if it has taken place and respecting the maximum number of triples/athletes per NOC specified in section B, paragraph 2. If the Continental Qualification Competition has not taken place, the quota place will be reallocated to the highest ranked team of that continent based on the BWF World Team Ranking as of 4 April 2023, not yet qualified, respecting the conditions set out in D.1.2.

2. Reallocation of unused Host Country Places:

If a Host Country place is not used by the Host Country, then the Host Country place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked NOC on the BWF World Team Ranking as of 4 April 2023, not yet qualified, respecting the conditions set out in **D.1.1** and respecting the maximum number of triples/athletes per NOC specified in **section B**, **paragraph 2**.

3. Reallocation of unused Invitation Places:

If the Invitation Commission is not able to allocate an invitation quota place or if an NOC declines an invitation quota place, then the invitation quota place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked NOC on the BWF World Team Ranking as of 4 April 2023, not yet qualified, respecting the conditions set out in **D.1.1** and respecting the maximum number of triples/athletes per NOC specified in **section B**, **paragraph 2**.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone
3 January 2023	Badminton World Federation to publish BWF World Team Ranking.
From 2 February 2023	ANOC and Badminton World Federation to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places obtained so far and request the preliminary nomination of athletes for the Triples, Mixed Doubles and Mixed Team Relay events.
tbd	Asian Continental Qualification Competition
tbd	Oceanian Continental Qualification Competition
29-30 April 2023	Pan American Continental Qualification Competition - Kingston (JAM)
9-11 June 2023	European Continental Qualification Competition - Werkendam (NED)
24-30 June 2023	African Continental Qualification Competition – African Beach Games, Hammamet (TUN)





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Date	Milestone
30 June 2023	End of the qualification period for AirBadminton.
1 July 2023	Badminton World Federation to publish the final list of qualified NOCs. ANOC and Badminton World Federation to inform NOCs of the allocated Invitation quota places.
4 July 2023 12:00hrs (GMT+8)	Deadline for NOCs to confirm the use of allocated quota places, host country quota places, and invitation quota places to ANOC and the Badminton World Federation. Deadline to confirm the preliminary nomination of athletes for the Triples, Mixed Doubles and Mixed Team Relay events.
From 5 July 2023	BWF to reallocate all unused quota places.
8 July 2023, 23:59hrs (GMT+8)	Sport Entries Deadline by name for all sports. (NOCs to submit Mixed Doubles and Mixed Team Relay nomination forms to the BWF).
15 July 2023, 23:59hrs (GMT+8)	Delegation Registration Process Deadline
tbd	End of Late Reallocation Process (to be defined in Delegation Registration Process Manual).
5 – 12 August 2023	ANOC World Beach Games 2023
6 – 9 August 2023	AirBadminton Competitions



