

Communication No. 2235

PROVISIONAL QUOTA PLACES FIGURE SKATING & SPEED SKATING – FINAL QUOTA PLACES SHORT TRACK SPEED SKATING

2020 WINTER YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES (YOG) LAUSANNE/SUI – JANUARY 9-22, 2020 (INCLUDING EVENTS FORMAT AND RACING RULES FOR SPEED SKATING)

The Qualification Systems for the 3rd Winter Youth Olympic Games (hereafter called YOG) for all three ISU disciplines (Figure Skating, Speed Skating and Short Track Speed Skating) have been approved by the IOC Executive Board. Detailed information has been communicated by the IOC to the National Olympic Committees (NOCs) and is posted on the ISU website.

A total of 204 athletes will be admitted as participants in the ISU disciplines as follows:

- 76 athletes for Figure Skating
- 64 athletes for Speed Skating
- 64 athletes for Short Track Speed Skating.

The age limits for the disciplines are as follows, with a specific exception for the male Skaters in Pair Skating and Ice Dance:

Speed Skating & Short Track Speed Skating:

- Born between January 1, 2002 and December 31, 2004

Figure Skating Singles

- Born between January 1, 2003 and December 31, 2005

For Male Skaters in Pair Skating and Ice Dance:

- Born between January 1, 2001 and December 31, 2004

ISU Members/NOCs are requested to take these age restrictions into account when confirming or rejecting YOG Quota Places and when entering the athletes.

ISU Members (hereafter referred to as Members) are referred to further details concerning the YOG that can be found on the ISU website.

On the basis of the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2019, the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships 2019 and the ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2019, an initial set of YOG Quota Places has been assigned to the respective NOCs/Members.

Whilst for Short Track Speed Skating the qualifying process has been concluded, for Figure Skating and Speed Skating the assignment of remaining YOG Quota Places to be allocated to NOCs/Members will be based on the results from individual events held on the occasion of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating and the ISU Junior World Cup Speed Skating Competitions during the Autumn of 2019.

In accordance with the YOG Qualifying System the ISU herewith announces the provisional YOG Quota Places for entries to the YOG 2020 for each ISU YOG discipline.

A. SINGLE & PAIR SKATING/ICE DANCE

1. YOG Quota Places based on the results of the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2019 (in order of qualification)

WOMEN Member/NOC	YOG Quota Places	MEN Member/NOC	YOG Quota Places	PAIR SKATING Member/NOC	YOG Quota Places	ICE DANCE Member/NOC	YOG Quota Places
RUS	2	USA	2	RUS	2	CAN	2
USA	2	RUS	2	CHN	1	RUS	2
JPN	1	ITA	2	USA	1	USA	1
KOR	1	CAN	1	ISR	1	GEO	1
CAN	1	FRA	1	UKR	1	FRA	1
GEO	1	GEO	1	FRA	1	UKR	1
AZE	1	JPN	1			ITA	1
HUN	1	AZE	1				
FRA	1	CZE	1				
ITA	1						
Total	12		12		7		9

2. Remaining open YOG Quota Places

For Figure Skating an additional qualification opportunity is given through the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating individual events listed below during which only one (1) YOG Quota Place per discipline and Member/NOC may be earned.

ISU Junior Grand Prix Figure Skating season 2019/20:

- Aug. 21-24, 2019 Courchevel FRA
- Aug. 28-21, 2019 Lake Placid, NY USA (including Pair Skating)
- Sept. 04-07, 2019 Riga LAT
- Sept. 11-14, 2019 Chelyabinsk RUS (including Pair Skating)
- Sept. 18-21, 2019 Gdansk POL (including Pair Skating)
- Sept. 25-28, 2019 Zagreb CRO (including Pair Skating)
- Oct. 02-05, 2019 Egna ITA

For Men and Women, Members/NOCs with the 4 top ranked competitors in the final ranking of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating series season 2019/20 (as published after the last individual Junior Grand Prix event of Zagreb), if not already having earned a YOG Quota Place in the respective discipline as per summary in point 1 above, will earn one (1) YOG Quota Place for the concerned discipline.

For Pair Skating and Ice Dance, Members/NOCs with the 3 top ranked competitors in the Final Ranking of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating series season 2019/20, if not already having earned a YOG Quota Place in the respective discipline as per the summary in point 1 above, will earn one (1) YOG Quota Place for the concerned discipline.

In addition, Members/NOCs not having earned YOG Quota Places for a discipline following the above criteria, will be ranked in a "Stand-by list" according to the ranking of their competitors in the overall ranking of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating series season 2019/20.

Please note that the Host Member/NOC (SUI) has the right to enter one (1) competitor per discipline. This entry will not increase the total number of participants, if the Host Member's/NOC's competitor is not qualified, he will instead substitute the entry of the Member/NOC with the last qualified YOG Quota Place of the discipline in question.

3. Timeline for acceptance/rejection of allocated YOG Quota Places and entries

a) April 17, 2019 – Indicative announcement by Members/NOCs having earned YOG Quota Places based on the results of their competitors at the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2019

In order for the ISU to get a basic view of the potential entries and if necessary to consider necessary corrective action in cooperation with the IOC, Members/NOCs having earned YOG Quota Places at the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2019 should, after consultation with their NOC, inform the ISU Secretariat not later than **April 17, 2019** if they intend to use all their YOG Quota Places by submitting the corresponding intended use of YOG Quota Places. YOG Quota Places earned at the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships and which by April 15, 2019 are formally confirmed to be relinquished by the concerned Members/NOCs shall be added to the available YOG Quota Places to be earned on the occasion of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figures Skating individual events listed above.

Considering the restrictive age criteria mentioned above, especially for the two Skaters forming a Pair Skating or Ice Dance couple, it is critical to establish as soon as possible the potential number of entries. Members/NOCs are therefore asked when providing the information about the intended use of YOG Places to the ISU Secretariat by April 17, 2019, to carefully check the ages of their competitors, especially in Pair Skating and Ice Dance.

b) By October 30, 2019 – ISU to publish a summary of YOG Quota Places according the results of the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2019 and ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating individual events season 2019/20, including the number of Judges drawn per discipline per Member, which is scheduled during October 2019.

c) By November 14, 2019 – Members/NOCs to confirm use of allocated YOG Quota Places to ISU Secretariat and Members/NOCs on stand-by list to confirm interest in participation to ISU.

d) November 15 – December 15, 2019 – ISU to reallocate unused quota places to Members/NOCs on stand-by list who had confirmed interest in participation. ISU Members/NOCs being offered an unused Quota Place to react within 24 hours of receipt of the ISU notification.

e) Until December 16, 2019 – Entries by name by NOCs to be sent to the local Lausanne YOG Organizing Committee with copy to ISU.

f) From December 17, 2019 – Late Athlete Replacement Period implemented according to IOC late Athlete Replacement Policy (policy and deadlines to be confirmed/follow by the IOC).

B. SPEED SKATING

1. Pre-allocation of YOG Quota Places for Speed Skating based on the results of the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships 2019

Women		Men	
Member/ NOC	YOG Quota Places	Member/ NOC	YOG Quota Places
JPN	2	AUT	1
KOR	1	CHN	1
NED	2	GER	1
NOR	1	ITA	1
POL	1	JPN	2
RUS	1	KOR	2
		NED	1
		RUS	2
Total	8	Total	11

2. Remaining open YOG Quota Places

The allocation of the remaining YOG Quota Places will be based on the results of the following designated ISU Junior World Cup Competitions:

- ISU Junior World Cup 1: November 16-17, 2019 Bjugn, NOR
- ISU Junior World Cup 2: November 23-24, 2019 Enschede, NED

Please note that the Host Member/NOC has the right to enter one (1) Woman and one (1) Man if not qualified through the ordinary qualification procedure. Such entries will not increase the total number of participants. If the Host Member/NOC has not qualified for a quota place, this entry will instead substitute the entry of the Member/NOC with the last qualified YOG Quota Place of the category (Women or Men) concerned.

To be entered for the YOG an athlete must have achieved YOG qualifying times requirements. The applicable YOG qualifying times are the following:

Distance	Women	Men
500m	45,00	41,00
1500m	2.20,00	2.07,00

Qualifying times must have been achieved during the period between July 1, 2018 and December 8, 2019. If an athlete has achieved at least one of the above qualifying times, the athlete may compete in any of the events at the YOG.

3. Timeline for acceptance/rejection of allocated YOG Quota Places and entries

a) **July 1, 2018 - December 8, 2019** – Period to achieve qualifying times.

b) **December 3, 2019** – ISU to inform Members/NOCs of their allocated Quota Places and Stand-By Quota Places.

c) **December 3 - 8, 2019** –Members/NOCs to confirm acceptance/rejection of allocated YOG Quota Places to ISU.

d) **December 8 - 14, 2019** – Reallocation Period - In the case of ISU Members/NOCs informing ISU of not using certain YOG Quota Places, ISU to re-allocate such unused YOG Quota Places to the Members/NOCs according to the list of Stand-by Quota Places. ISU Members/NOCs being offered an unused Quota Place to react within 48 hours of receipt of the ISU notification

e) **December 15, 2019** – ISU to announce confirmed use of allocated and reallocated quota places.

f) **December 16, 2019** – YOG 2020 Sport Entries deadline.

g) **From December 17, 2019** – Late Athlete Replacement Period implemented according to IOC late Athlete Replacement Policy (policy and deadlines to be confirmed/follow by the IOC).

4. Events format and racing rules

4.1. **500m and 1500m** will be organized in a single (final) race format.

4.2. **The Mass Start (10 laps)** competition will be organized according to the ISU Rules 253, paragraph 4 b). If 24 or more Skaters entered, competition will have an elimination phase (semi-finals) where Competitors qualify for the final and decisive race.

a) The composition of the two semi-finals (SF1 and SF2) shall be based on the ranking of Skaters from the respective ISU Members in the final classification in the 1500m, as follows:

- The best ranked Competitor will be placed in SF1, the 2nd and 3rd ranked Competitors in SF2, the 4th and 5th ranked Competitors in SF1, etc.
- However, each semi-final race can have maximum one Competitor from the same ISU Member (NOC). The second ranked Competitor from the same country will therefore have to be placed in a different semi-final than the best ranked Competitor.
- If a Competitor has no rank at 1500m (DQ, DNF, DNS) the Competitor will be considered to have the same rank as non-competing Skaters in the 1500m. Such Skaters therefore have to be placed last (after all Skaters with 1500m ranking) in the semi-finals and by random draw.

The 8 best ranked Skaters from each semi-final qualify for the Mass Start final. In the final the Competitors are given helmet cover numbers as follows: The winner of SF 1 gets number 1, the winner of SF 2 gets number 2, the second ranked skater of SF 1 gets number 3, the second ranked skater of SF 2 gets number 4, etc.

If competition will have only one (Final) race, then ISU Rule 243, paragraph 4 b) apply.

b) Competition rules described in the ISU Rules 253, paragraph 4; 265, paragraph 6 d), and ISU Communication 2195 or any further updates of this Communication;

c) Final results will be determined according to the ISU Rule 265, paragraph 6 d) or (if semi-finals are skated) according to Rule 265, paragraph 6 c), third bullet:

Competitors not qualified for the Final and Competitors in Final will be ranked as follows:

- total number of sprint points gained;
- time at the finishing line;
- number of laps skated;
- in case of a tie in the number of laps skated, Competitors will be ranked according to their last intermediate time.

A Competitor having qualified for the Final, but withdrawing from the Final or being Disqualified there, will be ranked higher than all Competitors that did not skate the Final.

4.3. **Mixed NOC Team Sprint (4 laps - 4 Skaters)** will be organized only with final race according to ISU Rule 261, paragraph 3, and ISU Communication 2195 or any further updates;

C. SHORT TRACK SPEED SKATING

1. Allocation of YOG Quota Places for Short Track Speed Skating based on the results of the ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2019

WOMEN		MEN	
Member/ NOC	YOG Quota Places	Member/ NOC	YOG Quota Places
AUS	1	AUS	1
CAN	1	AUT	1
CHN	1	BEL	1
CRO	1	BUL or SUI*	1
CZE	1	CAN	1
FRA	1	CHN	2
GER	1	FRA	1
GBR	1	GER	1
HUN	1	GBR	1
ITA	1	HUN	1
JPN	1	ITA	1
KAZ	1	JPN	2
KOR	2	KAZ	1
LAT	1	KOR	2
LUX	1	LAT	1
MAS	1	LUX	1
NED	2	MAS	1
POL	2	NED	1
RUS	1	NZL	1
SRB	1	PHI	1
SGP	1	POL	1
SVK	1	RUS	2
SLO	1	SRB	1
SWE	1	SLO	1
SUI*	1	SUI or BUL*	1
TPE	1	TPE	1
UKR	1	THA	1
USA	2	UKR	1
		USA	1
Total	32	Total	32
STAND-BY LIST			
<i>None</i>		SGP	1
		CRO	1
		HKG	1
		ARG	1

*Please note that the Host Member/NOC (SUI) has the right to enter one (1) competitor per category (Women and Men). This entry will not increase the total number of participants. Such an entry instead substitutes the entry of the last qualified quota place for the category concerned, if the Host Member/NOC (SUI) accepts the quota place for Men, BUL becomes first stand-by.

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b) By November 15, 2019 –Members/NOCs to confirm acceptance/rejection of allocated YOG Quota Places to ISU.

c) December 1 - 14, 2019 – Reallocation Period - In the case of ISU Members/NOCs informing ISU of not using certain YOG Quota Places, ISU to re-allocate such unused YOG Quota Places to the Members/NOCs according to the Stand-by Quota Places list. ISU Members/NOCs being offered an unused Quota Place to react within 48 hours of receipt of the ISU notification

d) December 15, 2019 – ISU to announce confirmed use of allocated and reallocated quota places.

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