



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – GAMES OF THE XXXIII OLYMPIAD – PARIS 2024

INTERNATIONAL CANOE FEDERATION (ICF)

CANOE SLALOM

A. EVENTS (6)

Men's events (3)	Women's events (3)
Kayak single (MK1)	Kayak single (WK1)
Canoe single (MC1)	Canoe single (WC1)
Kayak Cross (MX1)	Kayak Cross (WX1)

B. QUOTA PLACES

B.1. Total quota places for Canoe Slalom:

	Canoe Slalom quota places	Host country places	Universality places	Total
Men	40	1	0*	41
Women	40	1	0*	41
Total	80	2	0*	82

*Two (2) Universality places are available in Canoe Sport (Canoe Sprint and Canoe Slalom). The provisions for allocation of these places are set out in the Canoe Sprint Qualification System.

B.2. Maximum number of athletes per National Olympic Committee (NOC) that can qualify in each event:

	Quota places per NOC	Category
Men	3	1 Athlete in Kayak single 1 Athlete in Canoe single 1 Athlete in Kayak Cross
Women	3	1 Athlete in Kayak single 1 Athlete in Canoe single 1 Athlete in Kayak Cross
Total	6	

B.2.1 Canoe single and Kayak single events (WK1, WC1, MK1, MC1) – a maximum of one (1) athlete per NOC can participate in each Canoe single and Kayak single event.



B.2.2 Kayak Cross events (MX1 and WX1) – a maximum of two (2) athletes per NOC can participate in each Kayak Cross event.

B.2.3 An athlete qualified and selected for the Olympic Games Paris 2024 may be entered into as many events (specified B.2.) as selected by their NOC, provided that the maximum number of athletes per NOC per event is not exceeded. The athlete must compete in the event that the NOC received their qualification quota.

B.3. Type of allocation of quota places:

The athlete quota place is allocated to the NOC.

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

C.1. Compliance with the Olympic Charter and other relevant rules

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).

Only those athletes who respect and comply with the Olympic Charter, the World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions, including the conditions of participation established by the IOC, plus the rules of the ICF, may participate in the Olympic Games Paris 2024.

C.2. Additional IF eligibility criteria

C.2.1. To be eligible to participate in the Olympic Games Paris 2024, all eligible NOCs must participate in at least one (1) Olympic event at the 2023 ICF Canoe Slalom World Championships or the respective continental qualification competition.

C.2.2. To be eligible for a Universality place, an NOC must also be listed on the “ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking” on 31 December 2023.

C.2.3. A minimum of three (3) eligible NOCs must contest each athlete quota place at the Olympic Qualifying Competitions for the event to be valid. If there are less than three (3) NOCs in any Olympic event, then the athlete quota place will be returned for reallocation as outlined in section **F.1. Reallocation of Unused Quota Places**.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

D.1. ATHLETE QUOTA PLACE DISTRIBUTION

D.1.1 The number of athlete quota places available at the qualification competitions for Canoe Slalom will be as follows:



Events	Athlete quota places
Men	
MK1	21
MC1	17
MX1	3
Total Men	41
Women	
WK1	21
WC1	17
WX1	3
Total Women	41
Total (Men and Women)	82

D.1.2 Distribution of athlete quota through the qualification pathway

D.1.2.1 The initial distribution of athlete quota places through the Global Qualification Competition, the Continental Qualification Competitions and the Host Country places, subject to (i) the limit on maximum athlete quota places as specified in B.2. above and (ii) any eventual reallocation of places in accordance with section **F.1 Reallocation of Unused Quota Places** is defined in the table below:

Events	Global Qualification	Continental					Host Country	Total
		Europe	Americas	Asia	Africa	Oceania		
MK1	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	21
MC1	12	1	1	1	1	1		17
MX1	3							3
WK1	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	21
WC1	12	1	1	1	1	1		17
WX1	3							3
TOTAL	60	4	4	4	4	4	2	82

D.1.3 Rules applicable to all Canoe Slalom Olympic Qualification Competitions

D.1.3.1 An athlete can only obtain one (1) quota place for their NOC. Once this is achieved, they are no longer eligible to be considered for any further athlete quota places even if returned.

D.1.3.2 For Canoe single and Kayak single events, the athlete quota places will be allocated first in the Canoe single events according to the results. Any athlete who has already obtained a quota place in the Canoe single event is not eligible for a quota place in the Kayak single event. The Kayak single quota place will be allocated to the next highest ranked eligible athlete who will obtain a quota place for their NOC.

D.1.3.3 For all Canoe single and Kayak single Qualifying Competitions, where there is a tie between two (2) or more athletes by time, then the results from the previous phases will be used to break the tie, in accordance with ICF Canoe Slalom Competition Rules. The highest placed eligible athlete will obtain for their NOC an athlete quota place.



D.1.4 Canoe and Kayak single Events - Global Qualification Competition

D.1.4.1 The Global Qualification Competition for Canoe single and Kayak single events will be held at the 2023 ICF Canoe Slalom World Championships.

D.1.4.2 The highest placed eligible athletes in each Canoe single and Kayak single event at the 2023 ICF Canoe Slalom World Championships will obtain athlete quota places for their NOC as per the table in D.1.2.

D.1.4.3. In the situation that the Global Qualification Competition for Canoe single and Kayak single events cannot be held nor rescheduled, or the results of the competition are cancelled, then the "ICF Canoe Slalom World Ranking" for the relevant events, as of 31 December 2023, will be used to determine athlete quota places.

D.1.5 Canoe and Kayak single Events - Continental Qualification Competitions

D.1.5.1 If a Continental Qualification Competition takes place before the Global Qualification Competition, the athlete quota places shall be allocated at the same time in the following order: Global Qualification then Continental Qualification event results.

D.1.5.2 The highest placed eligible athlete in each Canoe single and Kayak single event at the respective Continental Qualification Competition will be allocated a quota place for their NOC.

D.1.5.3 Each NOC can earn a maximum of one (1) athlete quota place per gender at the Continental Qualification Competition.

D.1.5.4 In the situation that a Continental Qualification Competition cannot be held and/or the results of such competition are cancelled, then the "ICF Canoe Slalom World Ranking" for the relevant event as of 31 December 2023 will be used to determine the athlete quota places. The highest ranked eligible athlete from that continent in the "ICF Canoe Slalom World Ranking" will obtain one (1) athlete quota place for his/her NOC. If fewer than three (3) NOCs from a continent are included in the "ICF Canoe Slalom World Ranking" of 31 December 2023, who would otherwise be eligible to enter the Continental Qualification Competition, the athlete quota place will be reallocated as outlined in section **F.1 Reallocation of Unused Quota Places**.

D.1.6. Kayak Cross Events - Global Qualification Competition

D.1.6.1 A Kayak Cross Global Qualification Competition will be organised by the ICF in 2024.

D.1.6.2 Only athletes who have not yet qualified an athlete quota place in any event in Canoe single and Kayak single are entitled to enter the Kayak Cross events at the Global Qualification Competition.

D.1.6.3 Each NOC can enter three (3) athletes per gender in the Kayak Cross qualifying events.

D.1.6.4 The highest three (3) ranked eligible NOCs in each Kayak Cross event will be awarded a quota place.



D.2. HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country will be allocated one (1) athlete quota place for each gender, provisionally allocated in the Kayak events.

If the host country obtains an athlete quota place in any of the events at one of the qualification competitions including Kayak Cross, the host country quota place for that gender will be reallocated in accordance with **F.2. Reallocation of unused host country places**.

D.3. UNIVERSALITY PLACES

Two (2) Universality places are made available to eligible NOCs at the Olympic Games Paris 2024 in Canoe sport. These places can be attributed to Canoe Sprint and/or Canoe Slalom athletes. Please refer to Canoe Sprint Qualification System for additional information.

On 1 October 2023, 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 2024. 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 “*Games of the XXXIII Olympiad, Paris 2024 - Olympic Games Universality places - Allocation Procedure and Regulations*” document.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

E.1. CONFIRMATION OF QUOTA PLACES

E.1.1. Within two (2) weeks of the conclusion of the Global Qualification Competition. The ICF will publish and inform the respective NOCs and NFs of their allocated quota places for the completed Continental and Global Qualification Competitions.

E.1.2. Within two (2) weeks of the conclusion of each Continental Qualification Competition, organised after the Global Qualification Competition, the ICF will publish the results on its [website](#) and inform the respective NOCs of their allocated athlete quota places.

E.1.3 The NOC will then have 10 working days to confirm to the ICF:

- That they wish to accept their allocated athlete quota place(s) or decline allocated quota place(s) and return it to the ICF for reallocation to another NOC;
- If a quota place is declined or not accepted within the required time frame, the athlete quota place will be returned for reallocation as outlined in section **F.1 Reallocation of Unused Quota Places**.



E.2. CONFIRMATION OF HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country must confirm in writing to the ICF, 10 days after the completion of all qualifying events the use of its host country places.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

F.1. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

F.1.1. 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 to the next highest-ranked eligible NOC, not yet qualified, at the event at which the quota place was obtained, respecting the maximum quota per gender, per NOC.

F.1.2. Any athlete quota place which is returned or unused due to insufficient entries in a Continental Qualification Competition, will be reallocated in the same event to the next highest ranked eligible NOC, not yet qualified from that continent, in the “ICF Canoe Slalom World Ranking” of 31 December 2023. There must be a minimum of three (3) eligible NOCs from that continent in that event on the ICF world ranking. Should no valid quota place be able to be allocated to that continent then the place will be allocated to the next highest ranked NOC not yet qualified in that event on the “ICF Canoe Slalom World Ranking” regardless of continent. The quota place will be allocated within 10 days of the quota place being returned, or within 10 days of the rankings being published, whichever is later.

F.1.3. If a Kayak Cross quota place is returned then the quota place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked eligible NOC, not yet qualified, from the same event at the Kayak Cross Qualification Competition.

F.1.4. In the event that athlete quota places are not filled from the procedures outlined above, the ICF Executive Committee will allocate the remaining athlete quota places to the next highest ranked eligible NOC not yet qualified in the sport of Canoe at the Olympic Games Paris 2024 using the “ICF Canoe Slalom World Ranking” of 31 December 2023.

F.2. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

F.2.1 Where the host country obtains an athlete quota place through the 2023 ICF Canoe Slalom World Championships, the host country place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked eligible NOC, not yet qualified, in the Kayak single event for that gender at the same competition.

F.2.2 Where the host country obtains an athlete quota place through the Continental Qualification competition, the host country place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked eligible NOC, not yet qualified, in the Kayak single event for that gender at the same competition.



F.2.3 Where the host country obtains an athlete quota place through the Kayak Cross global qualification competition, the host country place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked eligible NOC, not yet qualified, in the Kayak single event from the 2023 ICF Canoe Slalom World Championships.

F.3. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED UNIVERSALITY PLACES

If the Tripartite Commission is not able to allocate a Universality place, it will be reallocated using the reallocation procedures outlined in the Canoe Sprint Qualification System section F1.1.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone
19 – 24 September 2023 6 – 9 June 2024	Global Qualification Competitions 2023 ICF Canoe Slalom World Championships – London (GBR) ICF Kayak Cross Global Qualification Competition – Prague (CZE)
29 June – 2 July 2023 26 – 29 October 2023 26 – 28 January 2024 9 – 11 February 2024 15 – 17 March 2024	Continental Qualification Competitions European Continental Qualification – Krakow (POL) Asian Continental Qualification – Tokyo (JPN) Oceania Continental Qualification – Penrith (AUS) African Continental Qualification – La Réunion (FRA) Pan-American Continental Qualification – Rio de Janeiro (BRA)
Within two (2) weeks after the event	ICF to inform NOCs/NFs of their allocated athlete quota places no later than two (2) weeks after each Qualification Competition.
Within ten (10) working days after ICF notification of quota places	The NOCs to confirm to the ICF the use of the allocated quota places.
Within ten (10) working days after the previous step	ICF to reallocate all unused quota places.
Date TBC	The Tripartite Commission to confirm in writing the allocation of Universality places to the NOCs (where applicable).
15 June 2024	ICF to reallocate any unused quota places.
8 July 2024	Paris 2024 Sport Entries deadline
26 July – 11 August 2024	Olympic Games Paris 2024