Qualification System

WATER POLO

A) EVENTS (2)

Qualifying for the World Aquatics Championships - Singapore 2025

Men's Event (1)	Women's Event (1)
16-team tournament	16-team tournament

B) ATHLETES

1. Number of Players for Water Polo:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Total
Men	225 (15 teams)	15 (1 team)	240 (16 teams)
Women	225 (15 teams)	15 (1 team)	240 (16 teams)
Total	450 (30 teams)	30 (2 teams)	480 (32 teams)

2. Maximum Number of players per National Federation (NF):

	Quota per NF
Men	15 (1 team)
Women	15 (1 team)
Total	30 (2 teams)

3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

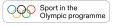
The quota place is allocated to the NF.

C) ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the World Aquatics Constitution and Competition Regulations currently in force, including but not limited to, Nationality regulations and World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions. Only those athletes who comply with all Regulations may participate in the World Aquatics Championships - Singapore 2025.







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Additional IF Eligibility Criteria:

Only the athletes who are eligible to participate at official WORLD AQUATICS Competitions, in accordance with the WORLD AQUATICS Constitution and Competition Regulations, are entitled to participate in the World Aquatics Championships.

D) QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

1. QUALIFICATION PLACES

The qualification events are listed in chronological order for qualification. The Continental Qualification Pathway and events are up to each specific Continental Association.

WOMEN and **MEN**: each gender has an equal number of teams, and the same qualification pathway applies for both genders.

Number of Teams	Qualification Events (per gender)
1 place	Host Country The Host Country NF will automatically obtain a quota place.
3 places	Olympic Games – Paris 2024 The three (3) highest placed NFs from the Olympic Games - Paris 2024 will each obtain one (1) quota place.
3 places	World Aquatics World Cup Final – 2025 The three (3) highest placed NFs from the World Aquatics World Cup 2025 will obtain a quota place. If any one of these three (3) NFs has already qualified from the Olympic Games - Paris 2024, the next highest placing and not yet qualified NF from the World Aquatics World Cup Final -
	2025 will obtain one (1) quota place. This process will continue if there is more than one NF which has already qualified via the Olympic Games – Paris 2024.
	Continental Championships
	Each Continent shall organize, oversee and implement its own Continental Championships or Qualification Event.
	The highest placing NFs in each of the five (5) Continental Championships or Qualification Event will each obtain one (1) quota place in the following manner:
9 places	Europe – 3 places
	Asia – 2 places
	Americas – 2 places
	Africa – 1 place
	Oceania – 1 place
	Should any of these NFs have already obtained a quota place as a Host or at the Olympic Games – Paris 2024 or at the World Aquatics World Cup Final - 2025, then the next highest









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placed NF(s) from the respective Continental Championships or Qualification Event will obtain a quota place.

Should any of the Continental Championships not take place, a play-off match between the top two (2) teams from the respective continent will be organised by the Continental Association to determine which NF will represent the specific Continent.

Should there be only one (1) representative from a specific continent, this NF will obtain a quota place.

2. HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The Host Country is guaranteed one (1) team quota place per gender.

E) CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

1. CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION PLACES

Following each qualification event, WORLD AQUATICS will publish the results on its website (http://www.World-Aquatics.com/) and inform the respective NFs of their allocated quota places.

Once the NF has been formally notified, the NF will then have 8 days to confirm if they wish to use the quota place, as detailed in paragraph **G. Qualification Timeline**.

2. CONFIRMATION OF HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The Host NF must confirm the use of the allocated quota place to WORLD AQUATICS two (2) weeks after it is formally notified.

F) REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

1. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES

- 1.1. In case of any vacancy after the World Aquatics World Cup Final 2025, the next highest ranked team from the Olympic Games Paris 2024 will obtain a quota position. If this team has already qualified from the Continental Qualification Event, then the next highest ranked team from that Continental Qualification Event will gain a quota spot.
- 1.2. In case of an unused quota place from the Continental Qualification Event, the next highest ranked NF from the Continental Qualification Event will obtain a quota.
- 1.3. Any unused quota places will be reallocated to the next highest placed NFs according to the ranking of the Olympic Games – Paris 2024 Men's and Women's Water Polo Tournaments, as applicable, according to the status after the last qualification event (World Aquatics World Cup Final - 2025), irrespective of which continent.
- 1.4. If there is still a vacancy after all qualifying competitions, the highest ranked teams in the World Ranking (not already in the field for Singapore 2025), developed by World Aquatics, will be eligible for the unused qualification places in the following sequence.







2. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Any unused Host Country quota place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked NF, not yet qualified, according to the ranking of the Continental Championships for Asia. If the Host Country does not use its quota place, this spot must go to an Asian NF.

G) QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone
January 2023	Europe – European Championships 2024 Zagreb - Eindhoven
27 th July- 11 th August 2024	Olympic Games Paris 2024
March 2025	Americas – PANAM Championships as decided by PANAM Aquatics
26 February – 2 March 2025	Asia – Asian Championships as decided by Asian Aquatics
1 st April 2025	Continental Associations to inform WORLD AQUATICS about the Continental places. Oceania/Africa – Continental Selections
11 th – 20 th April 2025	World Aquatics World Cup Final – 2025 (Men: 11-13 April; Women: 18-20 April)
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22 nd April 2025	WORLD AQUATICS to inform NFs of their allocated quota places
30 th April 2025	NFs to confirm use of allocated quota places to WORLD AQUATICS
10 th May 2025	WORLD AQUATICS to reallocate any and all unused quota places
11 th May 2025	Draw for the Women's and Men's tournaments
6 th July 2025	Singapore 2025 Sport Entries deadline / Water Polo
11 th – 25 th July 2025	World Aquatics Championships - Singapore 2025

^{*} These qualification events must be decided by the Continental Associations. Needs to be confirmed individually.

