

## QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – WORLD GAMES BIRMINGHAM 2022 DUATHLON

### A. Events

MEN'S EVENTS (1)	WOMEN'S EVENTS (1)	2X2 MIXED RELAY EVENT
A Standard distance competition (10km run, 40km cycle, 5km run)	A Standard distance competition (10km run, 40km cycle, 5km run)	A team of 2 athletes (1 men and 1 women) competing the following order: women, men, women, men. Each of them will cover a full super sprint distance duathlon twice in a continuous event.

### B. Quota

	QUALIFICATION	INVITATIONAL PLACES	HOST COUNTRY PLACES	TOTAL
Men	35	3	2	40
Women	35	3	2	40
TOTAL	70	6	4	80

	QUOTA PER NF
Men	3
Women	3
TOTAL	6

### C. Athlete Eligibility

#### ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

Athletes eligible for selection for the World Games shall be those adequately prepared for high level international competition and fill qualification positions earned by their National Federation (NF).

Athlete eligibility will be based on earning at least one of the following by 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022:

- Being among the top 50 of the 2021 or 2022 Continental Duathlon Championships Event (elite standard distance);
- Being among the top 50 of the 2021 World Triathlon Duathlon Championships (elite standard distance);
- Being among the top 200 of the World Triathlon World Duathlon Ranking.

The criteria and the points system of the World Triathlon Duathlon Ranking can be found on the official website of International Triathlon Union, [www.triathlon.org](http://www.triathlon.org).

**D. Qualification System**

**QUALIFICATION PATHWAY**

NFs will earn qualification places, as per the detailed selection criteria below, and will select from eligible athletes to fill these places. Each athlete may only qualify one (1) place for their NF.

**a) World Triathlon Continental Qualification Events:**

Places 1 to 20 will be allocated to the NF of the top four athletes of each of the 5 Continental Duathlon Championships Events.

The Continental Duathlon Championships Events may take place any time between 1<sup>st</sup> May 2021 and 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022. **20 places**

**b) World Triathlon World Qualification Event:**

Places 21 to 30 will be allocated to the NF of the top ten (10) finishers from the 2021 World Triathlon Duathlon Championships (elite standard distance). If any of the top ten (10) finishers has already earned a place at the World Triathlon Continental Qualification Events, or the NF of the athlete has already earned three (3) places then the next highest finishing athlete in the 2021 World Triathlon Duathlon Championships (elite standard distance) earns the qualification place. This will continue until ten (10) places have been allocated. If this list is exhausted the remaining places will be allocated to the highest qualified athletes in the World Triathlon World Duathlon rankings, excluding the athletes who already earned a place through a) b) or c) and athletes from NFs with 3 athletes qualified. In case that this list is also exhausted the remaining places will be added to the invitational places **10 places**

**c) World Triathlon World Duathlon Rankings:**

Places 31 to 35 will be allocated to the NFs in order of the highest ranked athletes on the World Triathlon World Duathlon Rankings of 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022. These athletes will not have previously qualified their NF a place. If this list is exhausted, the 2021 World Triathlon Duathlon Championships (elite standard distance) will be used, and then the Continental Duathlon Championships in this order America, Europe, Asia, Oceania, Africa, by selecting one athlete per continent, then a second one, etc. **5 places**

**HOST COUNTRY REPRESENTATION**

Places 36 and 37 will be awarded to the host nation, in case the maximum of three (3) haven't been reached. The unused placed will be allocated by the World Triathlon World Duathlon Rankings. The minimum eligibility criteria also apply to the places allocated to the host nation. **2 places**

**INVITATIONAL PLACES**

Places 38 to 40 will be allocated by World Triathlon as invitations. The maximum limit of three (3) athletes per NF cannot be exceeding by giving invitation. Unused invitation places will return to the World Triathlon World Duathlon Rankings

The deadline for NFs to submit their requests Invitational places is 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022. World Triathlon will confirm, in writing the allocation of Invitation places to the NF by 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022. The minimum eligibility criteria also apply to Invitation places. **3 places**

**E. Confirmation process for quota places:**

**CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES**

World Triathlon shall inform NFs in writing of all qualification places obtained by 16<sup>th</sup> March 2022. NFs must inform World Triathlon of the use of their qualification places by 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022. By 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022, World Triathlon will confirm the final allocation of qualification places.

**F. Reallocation of unused quota places:****REALLOCATION OF UNUSED IF QUOTA PLACES**

All unused quota places will be reallocated through the World Triathlon World Duathlon Rankings, respecting the maximum number of athletes per NF specified above. If there is no eligible NF according to the World Triathlon World Duathlon Rankings the place will be allocated by World Triathlon at its discretion.

**REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES**

If the host country achieves qualification or if they have no eligible athlete(s), place 36 and 37 will be reallocated to the next best ranked NF, according to the World Triathlon World Duathlon Rankings, respecting the maximum number of athletes per NF specified above. If there is no eligible NF according to the World Triathlon World Duathlon Rankings the place will be allocated by World Triathlon at its discretion.

**REALLOCATION OF UNUSED INVITATION PLACES**

Any unused places within the reserved quota of places will be reallocated by World Triathlon. If World Triathlon is not able to assign all the place(s) they will be reallocated to the next best ranked NF, according to the World Triathlon World Duathlon Rankings, respecting the maximum number of athletes per NF specified above. If there is no eligible NF according to the World Triathlon World Duathlon Rankings the place will be allocated by World Triathlon at its discretion.

**G. 2x2 Relay****ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

All athletes are eligible for the 2x2 mixed relay events, subject to have of a qualified athlete from the opposite gender from the same NF. In case a National Federation have minimum 2 women and 2 men qualified, the NF is eligible to have a second team. In case a National Federation have minimum 3 women and 3 men qualified, the NF is eligible to have a third team. Any team may be eligible for medals.

Qualification Timeline:

NEW PROPOSAL BY IWGA	MILESTONE
<b>1 May 2021 - 15 March 2022</b>	Qualification period
4-5 September 2021	2021 World Triathlon Duathlon Championships (Almere, NED)
1 May 2021 - 15 March 2022	Africa Triathlon Continental Duathlon Championships, TBC
1 May 2021 - 15 March 2022	Americas Triathlon Continental Duathlon Championships, TBC
1 May 2021 - 15 March 2022	Asia Triathlon Continental Duathlon Championships, TBC
1 May 2021 - 15 March 2022	Europe Triathlon Continental Duathlon Championships, TBC
1 May 2021 - 15 March 2022	Oceania Triathlon Continental Duathlon Championships, TBC
1 March 2022	World Triathlon will contact all NFs to apply for Invitation Places
16 March 2022	The World Triathlon World Duathlon Rankings published by World Triathlon. World Triathlon to inform IWGA and NFs of their allocated quota place
15 March 2022	Deadline for NFs to submit their requests for Invitation Places
16 March 2022	World Triathlon will confirm, in writing, the allocation of Invitation Places to NFs.
16 March 2022	World Triathlon to inform NFs of qualification places
23 March 2022	NFs to confirm World Triathlon of use of qualification places
<b>31 March 2022 (*)</b>	The World Games 2022 Sport Entries deadline (World Triathlon to confirm final allocation of qualification places)
From 1 April 2022	Late athlete replacement
9-10 July 2022	Duathlon Competition dates

(\*) However, in these exceptional circumstances, it could be accepted to have a very limited number of athletes qualify and be registered during the Late Athlete Replacement Procedure. More specifically, it could be possible to host one or two continental qualification events until end of April. The same extension could be granted for invitational places.