



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – GAMES OF THE XXXII OLYMPIAD – TOKYO 2020

Amendments to the Qualification System are in red.

INTERNATIONAL TENNIS FEDERATION (ITF)

Tennis

A. EVENTS (5)

Men's Events (2)	Women's Events (2)	Mixed Event (1)
Singles Doubles	Singles Doubles	Mixed Doubles

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Tennis:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Total
Men	86	-	86
Women	86	-	86
Total	172	-	172

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC	Event Specific Quota
Men	6	4 athletes per Singles event 2 teams per Doubles event
Women	6	4 athletes per Singles event 2 teams per Doubles event
Total	12	

3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota place is allocated to the athlete(s) by name.

An NOC/National Association which has more than four (4) athletes inside the cut-off ranking for direct acceptance into a singles event must select its four (4) highest ranked athletes based on the "Singles Rankings" (as defined below) of **14 June 2021**.



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C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must 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 comply with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 (the “Olympic Games”).

Additional IF Eligibility Criteria:

To be eligible to participate in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, all athletes must fulfil additional minimum requirements outlined here: <http://www.itftennis.com/media/267450/267450.pdf>

Only NOCs with National Associations which have been members of the ITF prior to 1 January 2021 may nominate athletes for participation in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games Tennis event.

The allocation of any quota place (i.e. Direct Acceptance, Host Country Places, and Final Qualification Places) is conditional upon the athlete meeting these athlete eligibility requirements.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

In this Qualification System, the following definitions are used:

Singles Ranking means the ATP or WTA singles rankings which is published weekly according to the relevant body’s rule book as published on 14 June 2021.

Doubles Ranking means the ATP or WTA doubles rankings which is published weekly according to the relevant body’s rule book as published on 14 June 2021.

Combined Ranking means the ranking of a Doubles or Mixed Doubles Team obtained by adding together each athlete’s best ranking from either the Singles Rankings or Doubles Rankings of 14 June 2021.

QUALIFICATION PLACES

MEN / WOMEN

Singles Qualification

Number of Quota Places per gender	Qualification Event
64	<p>Each singles event shall consist of a draw of 64 athletes, with a maximum of four (4) athletes per NOC.</p> <p>64 athletes for the men’s and women’s singles events will qualify as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 56 Direct Acceptances, based on the Singles Rankings of 14 June 2021 8 Final Qualification Places (“ITF Places”) <hr/> <p>64 Total</p>



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Singles Rankings, 14 June 2021

56 athletes will receive Direct Acceptance into the Singles events based on the Singles Rankings of 14 June 2021, subject to a maximum of four (4) athletes per NOC.

Final Qualification Places (ITF places)

Eight (8) Final Qualification Places (ITF places) will be allocated according to the below:

1. Continental Qualification – the following athletes will qualify for an ITF Place provided his/her ranking is within the top 300 on the Singles Rankings of 14 June 2021 and provided the quota for the athlete's NOC has not already been filled via Direct Acceptance.

Continent	Qualification Route	Quota Place	Quota per gender
North & South America	2019 Pan American Games	Singles first placed and runner up	2
Asia	2018 Asian Games	Singles first placed	1
Africa	2019 African Games	Singles first placed	1
Europe	Universality	Highest ranked athlete on the Singles Rankings that is from an NOC not yet represented in singles	1
Oceania	Universality	Highest ranked athlete on the Singles Rankings that is from an NOC not yet represented in singles	1

(Note: Athletes who achieve both a Continental Games qualification place and, subsequently, a Direct Acceptance ranking, will qualify using the Continental Qualification quota place)

2. Olympic Gold Medallist/Grand Slam Champion (one (1) quota place) - an athlete who has not achieved Direct Acceptance but who has previously won a Gold Medal in the Olympic Singles competition or who has won a Grand Slam singles title will qualify, provided his/her ranking is within the top 300 on the Singles Rankings of 14 June 2021 and provided the quota for their NOC has not already been filled via Direct Acceptance and Continental Qualification. If more than one (1) athlete meets these criteria, the place will be allocated to the athlete with the higher number of titles. Should two (2) or more athletes meet these criteria and have the same number of titles, the highest ranked athlete on the 14 June 2021 Singles Rankings will qualify.
3. Host Nation Place – if the Host Nation does not have a representative via Direct Acceptance or through a Final Qualification Place (ITF place) above, its highest ranked athlete based on the Singles Rankings of 14 June 2021 shall qualify. If the highest ranked athlete is ineligible for selection (through injury, or according to the eligibility requirements in section C, or for any other circumstance acceptable to the ITF) then its next best ranked eligible athlete shall qualify.



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Doubles Qualification

Number of Quota Places per gender	Qualification Event
32 teams (64 athletes)	<p>The men's and women's Doubles events shall consist of a draw of 32 teams, each comprising of athletes from the same NOC, with a maximum of two (2) teams per NOC.</p> <p>32 teams will qualify for the men's and women's Doubles events as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">31 Direct Acceptances1 Host Nation Place <hr/> <p>32 Total</p> <p>Host Nation Place</p> <p>The highest ranked nominated team from the host nation will qualify directly provided the Combined Ranking of the team does not exceed 300.</p> <p>Doubles Ranking – Top 10</p> <p>Athletes ranked 1 to 10 on the Doubles Ranking of 14 June 2021 will gain Direct Acceptance for the doubles event, providing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i) their nominated partner has a minimum ranking of 300 on the Singles or Doubles Rankings of 14 June 2021,ii) they and their partner have been nominated as a Doubles team by their respective NOC/National Association, andiii) the nomination does not bring the total number of competitors of the respective gender from that NOC to more than six (6). <p>Combined Ranking</p> <p>Additional places up to and including the 24th Direct Acceptance team will be allocated to the highest ranked teams based on the Combined Ranking of each team on 14 June 2021.</p> <p>Singles Priority</p> <p>Following allocation of the first 24 Direct Acceptance places, should the quota of 86 athletes per gender not yet be reached, additional places will continue to be allocated based on the above 'Combined Ranking' process. At the point that the quota is reached, any remaining team places in the Doubles event will be allocated according to the below, in priority order:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i) Highest combined ranked teams with both athletes accepted into the singles eventii) Highest combined ranked teams with one athlete accepted into the singles eventiii) Highest combined ranked teams remaining <p>Note: In the event of tied combined rankings in doubles events, the ITF will implement the relevant Grand Slam rules in force as at 14 June 2021 to resolve the tie(s).</p>



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Mixed Doubles Qualification

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
16 teams (32 athletes)	<p>The Mixed Doubles event shall consist of a draw of 16 teams, each comprising of athletes from the same nation, with a maximum of two (2) teams per NOC.</p> <p>16 teams for the Mixed Doubles event will qualify as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">15 Direct Acceptances1 Host Nation Place <hr/> <p>16 Total</p> <p>Mixed Doubles teams will be selected from athletes that have been accepted for the Singles and/or Doubles events and will therefore already be on-site. Entries for the Mixed Doubles must be made on-site to the ITF by 11am on 27 July.</p> <p>Host Nation Place</p> <p>The highest ranked nominated team from the host nation will qualify directly provided both athletes have already qualified for the Singles and/or Doubles events</p> <p>Combined Ranking</p> <p>Direct Acceptance places will be allocated to the highest ranked teams based on the Combined Ranking of each team on 14 June 2021. A maximum of four (4) athletes (i.e. two (2) teams) from any one NOC may enter the Mixed Doubles event.</p> <p>Note: In the event of tied combined rankings in doubles events the ITF will implement the relevant Grand Slam rules in force as at 14 June 2021 to resolve the tie(s).</p>

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

By no later than **16 June 2021**, the ITF shall confirm to NOCs/National Associations the names of athletes qualified for Direct Acceptance and Final Qualification Places (ITF Places) for Singles and/or Doubles based on this Qualification System.

By no later than **22 June 2021**, the NOCs/National Associations shall confirm to the ITF if they wish to use these quota places, as detailed in paragraph **G. Qualification Timeline**.



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F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

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If an allocated quota place(s) is not confirmed by the NOC/National Association by the confirmation of quota place deadline (**22 June 2021**) or is declined by the NOC/National Association, the following process will be followed for reallocation.

Direct Acceptances for the Singles Events will be reallocated to the next highest ranked athlete according to the Singles Rankings of **14 June 2021**. Direct Acceptances for the Doubles Events will be reallocated to the next highest ranked team according to the 'Singles Priority' process above.

Final Qualification Places (ITF Places) and Host Nation Places will be reallocated according to the below criteria:

1. Host Nation place – reallocated to the next highest ranked athlete/team on the applicable Singles Rankings (for Singles events) or Combined Rankings (for Doubles events) of **14 June 2021**.
2. Continental Qualification places:
 - Pan American Games, Asian Games or African Games place(s) – reallocated to the next highest placed athlete in the respective tournament (e.g. Asian Games Silver Medallist) who must have a minimum ranking of 300 in the Singles Rankings of **14 June 2021**. Should the next athlete be equal-placed with another (e.g. two losing semi-finalists), reallocation will go to the athlete ranked highest on the Singles Rankings of **14 June 2021**. If there are no athletes with a minimum ranking of 300, the place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked athlete on the Singles Rankings of **14 June 2021** notwithstanding the continent from which such athlete comes, respecting the maximum number of quota places per NOC.
 - Europe or Oceania place – reallocated to the next highest ranked athlete on the Singles Rankings of **14 June 2021** (who must have a minimum ranking of 300) from an NOC of the relevant continent not yet represented. If there are no athletes meeting this criteria, the place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked athlete on the Singles Rankings of **14 June 2021** notwithstanding the continent from which such athlete comes, respecting the maximum number of quota places per NOC.
3. Olympic Gold Medallist/Grand Slam Champion place – reallocated to the next highest ranked Olympic Gold Medallist or Grand Slam Champion on the Singles Rankings of **14 June 2021** (who must have a minimum ranking of 300 in the Singles Rankings of **14 June 2021**). If there are no athletes meeting this criteria, the place will be reallocated to the next highest ranked athlete on the Singles Rankings of **14 June 2021** not yet qualified, respecting the maximum number of quota places per NOC.

If reallocated places are not confirmed by the NOC/National Association by the ITF-specified deadline (confirmed at the time of notification), the above reallocation process will continue up until the Sport Entries Deadline (following which the late reallocation procedure will come into effect).



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G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone
14 June 2021	Date of Singles and Doubles rankings to determine Direct Acceptances (the first ranking after the conclusion of Roland Garros)
16 June 2021	ITF to inform NOCs/National Associations of qualified athletes
22 June 2021	NOCs/National Associations to confirm the entry of qualified athletes and submit nominations for men's and women's Doubles Events.
5 July 2021	ITF to reallocate all unused quota places
5 July 2021	Tokyo 2020 Sport Entries deadline
tbd*	End of late reallocation procedure
Up until the end of the first round of matches for each event	Final withdrawals replacements
23 July – 8 August 2021	Olympic Games Tokyo 2020
27 July	Deadline for ITF to receive on-site entries from NOCs into the Mixed Doubles Event by 11am

*To Be Determined