



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM FOR XXIV OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES, BEIJING 2022

INTERNATIONAL BOBSLEIGH AND SKELETON FEDERATION

Skeleton

A. EVENTS (2)

Men's Events (1)	Women's Events (1)
Men	Women

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

B.1 Total Quota for Sport / Discipline:

	Qualification Places (including host country)	Host Country Places	Total
Men	25	1	25
Women	25	1	25
Total	50	2	50

B.2 Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

Men

- 2 NOCs with 3 athletes
- 6 NOCs with 2 athletes
- 7 NOCs with 1 athlete

Women

- 2 NOCs with 3 athletes
- 4 NOCs with 2 athletes
- 11 NOCs with 1 athlete

B.3 Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota place/s is/are allocated to the NOC. The selection of athletes for its allocated quota places is at the discretion of the NOC subject to the eligibility requirements.



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C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force included 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 these athletes who comply with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022.

C.1 Age Requirements:

All athletes participating in the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022 must fulfil the age requirements as stated as stated in bylaw [8.4 Licenses of the IBSF International Skeleton Rules](#).

C.2 Medical Requirements:

To be eligible to participate in the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022, all athletes must be medically suitable for practising Skeleton racing as per the requirements set forth in bylaw [8.4 Licenses of the IBSF International Skeleton Rules](#) and possess appropriate and adequate insurance coverage against accidents and third-party civil liability

C.3 Additional IF Requirements:

- All athletes must possess a valid IBSF International licence;
- The chosen athletes must be ranked among the top 60 men or top 45 women of the IBSF Ranking List of the 2021/2022 season by **16 January 2022** (23:59 Lausanne time).
- Athletes must have been participating and ranked in a minimum of eight (8) IBSF races on at least three (3) different tracks in the period between 15 October 2020 and 16 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time). In addition, the athlete must have been ranked in at least five (5) of the eight (8) above mentioned races on a minimum of two (2) different tracks during the ranking period 2021/2022 by 16 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time).

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

QUALIFICATION PLACES

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
D.1: Men: 25 Women: 25	D.1.1 Men and Women IBSF Ranking List During the 2021/2022 season until the deadline of 16 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time), the best results of each athlete in all races that he/she had participated in regardless of the race series below in which the results were scored are totalled to form the respective IBSF Ranking List per event: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> World Cup Intercontinental Cup Europe Cup North American Cup <p><i>(points calculation for each event above can be found in Rule 11 Ranking List of the IBSF International Bobsleigh Rule:</i> https://www.ibsf.org/images/documents/downloads/Rules/2019_2020/2019_International_Rules_SKELETON_cl.pdf)</p>



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Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
	<p>The maximum number of races taken into account for determining the IBSF Ranking List per event is the same as the number of World Cup races that are carried out during the qualification period as defined in Section G.</p> <p>The NOC quotas for the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022 are based on the IBSF Ranking List as of 16 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time). In cases of equal points, the following decision criteria will apply for the IBSF Ranking List to break the tie:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) First, the highest points obtained in a single race;b) Next, the highest points obtained at the last race before the qualification deadline. (World Cup points are of higher priority than points obtained in the other race series). <p>D.1.2 Allocation of quotas for Men's Skeleton</p> <p>D.1.2.1 The quotas for the 2 NOCs with 3 athletes will be allocated to the top 2 NOCs with the third best athlete on the Men IBSF Ranking List (as described in D.1.1) as of 16 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time);</p> <p>D.1.2.2 The quotas for the 6 NOCs with 2 athletes will be allocated to the top 6 NOCs with the second best athlete on the Men IBSF Ranking List (as described in D.1.1) as of 16 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time) which have not been allocated a quota place from D.1.2.1;</p> <p>D.1.2.3 The remaining 7 quota positions will be allocated to the 7 best NOCs with the best ranked athlete on the Men IBSF Ranking List (as described in D.1.1) as of 16 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time) which have not been allocated a quota place from D.1.2.1 and D.1.2.2.</p> <p>D.1.2.4 If the host country is not allocated a quota place from D.1.2.1, D.1.2.2 or D.1.2.3, the quota place of the NOC with the lowest ranked pilot on the Men IBSF Ranking List (as described in D.1.1) from D.1.2.3 will be allocated to the highest ranked athlete from the host country on the Men IBSF Ranking List (Refer to Host Country Places).</p> <p>D.1.3 Allocation of quotas for Women's Skeleton</p> <p>D.1.3.1 The quotas for the 2 NOCs with 3 athletes will be allocated to the top 2 NOCs with the third best athlete on the Women IBSF Ranking List (as described in D.1.1) as of 16 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time);</p> <p>D.1.3.2 The quotas for the 4 NOCs with 2 athletes will be allocated to the top 6 NOCs with the second best athlete on the Women IBSF Ranking List (as described in D.1.1) as of 16 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time) which have not been allocated a quota place from D.1.3.1;</p> <p>D.1.3.3 The remaining 11 quota positions will be allocated to the 11 best NOCs with the best ranked athlete on the Women's IBSF Ranking List as of 16 January 2022 (23:50 Lausanne time) which have not been allocated a quota place from D.1.3.1 and D.1.3.2.</p> <p>D.1.3.4 If the host country is not allocated a quota place from D.1.3.1, D.1.3.2 or D.1.3.3, the quota place of the NOC with the lowest ranked pilot on the Women IBSF Ranking List (as described in D.1.1) from D.1.3.3 will be allocated to the highest ranked athlete from the host country on the Women IBSF Ranking List (Refer to Host Country Places).</p>



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HOST COUNTRY PLACES

If the male and female competitors of the Host Country fail to qualify via the qualification process set out above, it will still have the right to take part in the Olympic competitions with (1) one male and one (1) female athlete respectively.

The selected athlete(s) must meet the eligibility defined in **Section C** and be ranked on the IBSF Ranking List of the 2021/2022 season. If no athlete can achieve this condition, the Host Country will have no representative.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

On 16 January 2022, the IBSF will publish the results on its website (<http://www.ibsf.org>) and inform the respective NOCs of their allocated quota places on **17 January 2022**. The NOCs will then have to confirm if they wish to use these quota places by **19 January 2022** (23:59 Lausanne time), as detailed in section **G. Qualification Timeline**.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED IF QUOTA PLACES

General rules:

1. Exceeding the total amount of quota places for men is not allowed under any circumstances.
2. Exceeding the total amount of quota places for women events is not allowed under any circumstances.
3. Reallocation of unused quota places:
 - a) Unfilled men's quota places cannot be reallocated to fill any women's quota place
 - b) Unfilled women's quota places cannot be reallocated to fill any men's quota place

If there are quota places still available for reallocation, it will be reallocated to the NOC with the next best ranked athlete on the respective IBSF Ranking List which did not earn a quota place in **D.1.2** and **D.1.3**.

In cases of equal points, the following decision criteria will be applied to break the tie:

- a) First, the highest points obtained in a single race;
- b) Next, the highest points obtained at the last race before the qualification deadline.

(World Cup points are of higher priority than points obtained in the other race series)

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Unused Host Country Place(s) will be reallocated to the NOC with the next highest ranked athlete on the respective IBSF Ranking List which did not earn a quota place in **D.1.2** and **D.1.3**.



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G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Qualification	15 October 2020 – 16 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time)	Period to reach athlete eligibility criteria as per Section C
		<p><i>Publication of the 2020/2021 IBSF Calendar that will determine the qualification events for the 2020/2021 season will be made by 15 July 2020.</i></p> <p><i>Publication of the 2021/2022 IBSF Calendar that will determine the qualification events for the 2021/2022 season will be made by 15 July 2021.</i></p>
Accreditation deadline	TBD*	Beijing 2022 Accreditation deadline
Inform and confirm	16 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time)	Publication of IBSF Ranking List
	17 January 2022	IBSF to inform NOCs/NFs of their allocated quota places
	19 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time)	<p>NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to IF (Within 48 hours of receiving the quota)</p> <p>Deadline for NOCs that want to be considered for reallocation places to inform the IBSF of their request in writing.</p>
Reallocation	20 – 23 January 2022 (23:59 Lausanne time)	IBSF to reallocate all unused quota places and NOCs to confirm within 24 hours
Sport Entries deadline	24 January 2022	Beijing 2022 Sport Entries deadline
Delegation Registration Meetings	TBD*	Beijing 2022 Delegation Registration Meetings
Games Time	4 – 20 February 2022	Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022

*To Be Determined