

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

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PROVISIONAL QUOTA PLACES 2012 WINTER YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES (YOG) INNSBRUCK/AUSTRIA - JANUARY 13-22, 2012

The Qualifying System for the 1st Winter Youth Olympic Games (hereafter called YOG) for all three ISU disciplines (Figure Skating, Speed Skating and Short Track Speed Skating) has been approved by the IOC Executive Board in December 2009 and has been communicated by the IOC to the National Olympic Committees (NOCs) and is posted on the ISU website.

A total of 164 Skaters will participate in the ISU disciplines as follows: 76 Skaters for Figure Skating, 56 Skaters for Speed Skating and 32 Skaters for Short Track Speed Skating.

The age limits for all disciplines are as follows, with a specific exception for the male Skaters in Pair Skating and Ice Dance:

All Disciplines:

- 15-16 years old (Born between January 1, 1996 and December 31, 1997)

For male Skaters in Pair Skating and Ice Dance:

- 15-18 years old (Born between January 1, 1994 and December 31, 1997).

Members/NOCs are requested to take these age restrictions into account when confirming or rejecting YOG Quota Places and when entering the competitors.

Further details concerning the YOG can be found in ISU Communication No. 1674 and on the ISU website.

On the basis of the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2011, the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships 2011 and the ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2011, the initial YOG Quota Places are assigned to the respective NOCs/Members.

Whilst for Short Track Speed Skating the qualifying process has been concluded, for Figure Skating and Speed Skating the assignment of remaining YOG Quota Places to be allocated to NOCs/Members will be based on the results of competitions held on the occasion of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating individual events and 2 designated ISU Junior World Cup Competitions during the Autumn of 2011.

In accordance with the YOG Qualifying System the ISU herewith announces the provisional YOG Quota Places for entries to the YOG for each ISU YOG discipline.

A. SINGLE & PAIR SKATING/ICE DANCE

1. Entries based on the results of the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2011

LADIES	YOG Quota Places	MEN Member / NOC	YOG Quota Places	PAIRS Member / NOC	YOG Quota Places	ICE DANCE Member/ NOC	YOG Quota Places
RUS	2	CAN	2	CHN	2	RUS	2
USA	2	JPN	2	JPN	2	USA	2
BEL	1	SWE	2	RUS	2	CAN	1
CHN	1	BEL	1	USA	1	EST	1
EST	1	CHN	1			FRA	1
FIN	1	KAZ	1			SVK	1
FRA	1	RUS	1			ESP	1
ITA	1	UKR	1				
JPN	1	USA	1				
SUI	1						
Total	12		12		7		9

2. Remaining open YOG Quota Places

For Figure Skating an additional qualification opportunity is given through the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating individual events listed below during which only one (1) YOG Quota Place per discipline and Member/NOC may be earned.

ISU Junior Grand Prix Figure Skating season 2011/12:

- August 31-September 4, 2011 Riga
- September 7-11, 2011 Brisbane
- September 14-18, 2011 Gdansk
- September 21-25, 2011 Brasov
- September 28-October 2 2011 Innsbruck
- October 5-9, 2011 Milan
- October 12-16, 2011 Tallinn.

For Men and Ladies, Members/NOCs with the 4 top ranked competitors in the final ranking of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating series season 2011/12 (as published after the last individual Junior Grand Prix event of Tallinn), if not already having earned a YOG Quota Place in the respective discipline as per summary in point 1 above, will earn one (1) YOG Quota Place for the concerned discipline.

For Pairs and Ice Dance, Members/NOCs with the 3 top ranked competitors in the Final Ranking of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating series season 2011/12, if not already having earned a YOG Quota Place in the respective discipline as per the summary in point 1 above, will earn one (1) YOG Quota Place for the concerned discipline.

In addition, Members/NOCs not having earned YOG Quota Places for a discipline following the above criteria, will be ranked in a “Stand-by list” according to the ranking of their competitors in the overall ranking of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating series season 2011/12.

Please note that the Host Member/NOC (AUT) has the right to enter one (1) competitor per discipline. This entry will not increase the total number of participants, if the Host Member’s/NOC’s competitor is not qualified, he will instead substitute the entry of the Member/NOC with the last qualified YOG Quota Place of the discipline in question.

3. Timeline for acceptance/rejection of allocated YOG Quota Places and entries

a) September 1, 2011 – Indicative announcement by Members/NOCs having earned YOG Quota Places based on the results of their competitors at the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2011

In order for the ISU to get a basic view of the potential entries and if necessary to consider necessary corrective action in cooperation with the IOC, Members/NOCs having earned YOG Quota Places at the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2011 should, after consultation with their NOC, inform the ISU Secretariat not later than **September 1, 2011** if they intend to use all their YOG Quota Places by submitting the corresponding intended use of YOG Quota Places. YOG Quota Places earned at the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships and which by September 1, 2011 are formally confirmed to be relinquished by the concerned Members/NOCs shall be added to the available YOG Quota Places to be earned on the occasion of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figures Skating individual events.

Considering the restrictive age criteria mentioned above, especially for the two Skaters forming a Pair Skating or Ice Dance couple, it is critical to establish as soon as possible the potential number of entries. Members/NOCs are therefore asked when providing the information about the intended use of YOG Places to the ISU Secretariat by September 1, 2011, to carefully check the ages of their competitors, especially in Pair Skating and Ice Dance.

b) October 24, 2011 – ISU to publish a summary of YOG Quota Places according the results of the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2011 and ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating individual events season 2011/12.

c) October 30, 2011 – Members/NOCs to confirm acceptance/rejection of allocated YOG Quota Places to ISU.

d) October 31, 2011 – ISU to publish list of accepted YOG Quota Places and Stand-by YOG Quota Places.

e) November 1 – December 15, 2011 - Reallocation Period - In the case of ISU Members/NOCs informing ISU of not using certain YOG Quota Places, ISU to re-allocate such unused YOG Quota Places to the Members/NOCs according to the Stand-by Quota Places list. ISU Members/NOCs being offered an unused Quota Place to react within 48 hours of receipt of the ISU notification.

f) On or before December 16, 2011 – Entries by name by NOCs to be sent to the local Innsbruck YOG Organizing Committee (IYOGOC) with copy to ISU. In the case of NOCs not using all their YOG Quota Places, ISU to re-allocate such unused YOG Quota Places to the Members/NOCs according to the Stand-by Quota Places list (see point 2 above).

g) From December 17, 2011 – Late Athlete Replacement Period implemented according to IOC late Athlete Replacement Policy (policy and deadlines to be confirmed/follow by the IOC).

B. SPEED SKATING

1. Pre-allocation of YOG Quota Places for Speed Skating based on the results of the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships 2011

Ladies	YOG Quota Places	Men	YOG Quota Places
NED	2	KOR	2
NOR	2	NOR	2
KOR	2	NED	2
JPN	2	JPN	2
KAZ	1	CHN	1
CAN	1	CAN	1
CZE	1	ITA	1
		RUS	1
	11		12

2. Remaining open YOG Quota Places

The allocation of the remaining YOG Quota Places for Members/NOCs not yet having earned YOG Quota Places in a category (Ladies and Men) will be based on the results of the following designated ISU Junior World Cup Competitions:

- November 12-13, 2011 Erfurt (GER)
- November 18-19, 2011 Bjugn (NOR).

Please note that the Host Member/NOC has the right to enter one (1) Lady and one (1) Man if not qualified through the ordinary qualification procedure, subject to the concerned competitors having achieved the qualifying times.. The applicable YOG qualifying times are the following:

	LADIES	MEN
500m	45,50	42,00
1500m	2.25,00	2.14,00
3000m	5.20,00	4.55,00

Qualifying times must have been achieved during the period between October 1, 2010 and the YOG entry deadline (December 16, 2011)

This entry will not increase the total number of participants, if the Host Member/NOC has not qualified for a quota place, this entry will instead substitute the entry of the Member/NOC with the last qualified YOG Quota Place of the category (ladies or men) in question.

3. Timeline for acceptance/rejection of allocated YOG Quota Places and entries

- a) September 1, 2011** - Indicative announcement by Members/NOCs having earned YOG Quota Places based on the results of their competitors at the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships 2011 and ISU to add confirmed unused YOG Quota Places to list of YOG Quota Places to be earned during the ISU Junior World Cup Skating designated events, and to inform Members/NOCs accordingly.
- b) November 30, 2011** – ISU to publish a summary of YOG Quota Places according the results of the ISU Junior World Speed Skating Championships 2011 and the 2 designated ISU Junior World Cup Competitions (Erfurt and Bjugn).
- c) November 30 - December 7, 2011** – Members/NOCs to confirm acceptance/rejection of allocated YOG Quota Places to ISU.
- d) December 8, 2011** – ISU to publish list of accepted YOG Quota Places and Stand-by YOG Quota Places.
- e) December 8 – 15, 2011** - Reallocation Period - In the case of ISU Members/NOCs informing ISU of not using certain YOG Quota Places, ISU to re-allocate such unused YOG Quota Places to the Members/NOCs according to the Stand-by Quota Places list. ISU Members/NOCs being offered an unused Quota Place to react within 48 hours of receipt of the ISU notification
- f) On or before December 16, 2011** – Entries by name by NOCs to be sent to the local Innsbruck YOG Organizing Committee (IYOGOC) with copy to ISU.
- g) From December 17, 2011** – Late Athlete Replacement Period implemented according to IOC late Athlete Replacement Policy (policy and deadlines to be confirmed/follow by the IOC).

C. SHORT TRACK SPEED SKATING

1. Allocation of YOG Quota Places for Short Track Speed Skating based on the results of the ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships 2011

Category	Member/ NOC	YOG Quota Places	Category	Member/ NOC	YOG Quota Places
LADIES			MEN		
	KOR	2		KOR	2
	ITA	2		GBR	2
	CHN	2		CHN	2
	NED	1		JPN	1
	HUN	1		RUS	1
	LTU	1		FRA	1
	CAN	1		TPE	1
	AUS	1		NED	1
	RUS	1		CAN	1
	USA	1		HUN	1
	KAZ	1		ITA	1
	JPN	1		USA	1
	TPE or AUT*	1		CZE or AUT*	1
Total		16			16
STAND-BY LIST					
Category	Member/ NOC	YOG Quota Places	Category	Member NOC	YOG Quota Places
LADIES			MEN		
	UKR	1		AUS	1
	GER	1		HKG	1
	POL	1		KAZ	1
	BEL	1		GER	1
	ROU	1		BEL	1
	CZE	1		ROU	1
	BUL	1		POL	1
	CRO	1		UKR	1
	FRA	1		LAT	1
	BLR	1		SVK	1
	LAT	1		BUL	1
	IND	1		BLR	1
				BIH	1
				CRO	1
				SWE	1
				NZL	1
				ARG	1

*Please note that the Host Member/NOC (AUT) has the right to enter one (1) competitor per category (Ladies and Men). This entry will not increase the total number of participants. Such an entry instead substitute the entry of the last qualified quota place for the category in question.

3. Timeline for acceptance/rejection of allocated YOG Quota Places and entries

a) May – October 30, 2011 - ISU Members/NOCs to inform ISU regarding their intentions of use for earned YOG Quota Places and ISU to inform potential Members/NOCs earning unused YOG Quota places

b) Latest by October 30, 2011 – Members/NOCs to confirm acceptance/rejection of allocated YOG Quota Places to ISU.

b) October 31, 2011 – ISU to publish list of accepted YOG Quota Places and Stand-by YOG Quota Places.

c) November 1 – December 15, 2011 - Reallocation Period - In the case of ISU Members/NOCs informing ISU of not using certain YOG Quota Places, ISU to re-allocate such unused YOG Quota Places to the Members/NOCs according to the Stand-by Quota Places list. ISU Members/NOCs being offered an unused Quota Place to react within 48 hours of receipt of the ISU notification

d) On or before December 16, 2011 – Entries by name by NOCs to be sent to the local Innsbruck YOG Organizing Committee (IYOGOC) with copy to ISU.

e) From December 17, 2011 – Late Athlete Replacement Period implemented according to IOC late Athlete Replacement Policy (policy and deadlines to be confirmed/follow by the IOC).

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