



2018 Youth Olympic Games

Selection Protocol

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1. Introduction

1.1. Guiding principles

- 1.1.1. Taekwondo Canada, through its membership in World Taekwondo will be eligible to select athletes for the 2018 Youth Olympic Qualification Team (2018 YOGQT) and nominate athletes to the Canadian Youth Olympic Games Team (YOGT).
- 1.1.2. This document sets out the process for identifying those athletes who will be invited by Taekwondo Canada to be named to the 2018 YOGQT and YOGT.
- 1.1.3. 2018 Youth Olympic Qualification Tournament for the Buenos Aires Youth Olympic Games (YOG) are scheduled to be held in Hammamet, Tunisia from April 6 to 12, 2018.
- 1.1.4. The taekwondo event of the 2018 Buenos Aires YOG is scheduled to be held in Buenos Aires, Argentina on October 7 to 11, 2018.
- 1.1.5. Taekwondo Canada will adhere to the “QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES 2018” (Appendix A)
- 1.1.6. The Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) has allocated four (4) athlete quota places to Taekwondo Canada, subject to qualification via the World Taekwondo Qualification System. Any additional qualifications will be subject to the COC quota reallocation process, pending availability of quota places. The process for prioritizing for the events is outlined in Section 4.
- 1.1.7. Selection for the 2018 Youth Olympic Qualification Team does not automatically provide financial funding for event participation.
- 1.1.8. Final decisions on the selection of athletes to participate in the 2018 Youth Olympic Qualification Team shall be made by the Executive Director based on recommendations by the Taekwondo Canada HP director, or in the absence of the High Performance Director, the recommendation of the Coaching Committee will



be followed. Taekwondo Canada's objective is to identify the Canadian athletes to be named to the 2018 Youth Olympic Qualification Team.

2. Eligibility requirements

- 2.1. The athlete must be born between January 1, 2001 and December 31, 2002.
- 2.2. Athletes must be Canadian Citizens and hold a valid Canadian passport that does not expire before April 19, 2019.
- 2.3. Athletes must be registered participants in good standing of Taekwondo Canada.
- 2.4. Athletes must be Kukkiwon Dan certificate holders.
- 2.5. Athletes must hold a valid World Taekwondo Global Athlete License.
- 2.6. Athletes must currently be eligible to represent Canada at major international events under the eligibility requirements of World Taekwondo, Canadian Olympic Committee (COC), and Taekwondo Canada.
- 2.7. Athletes must adhere to the World Anti Doping Code.
- 2.8. To be named to the 2018 Youth Olympic Qualification Team and the YOG Team, athletes must sign an Athlete Agreement as required by Taekwondo Canada and COC and *Conditions of Participation Form* required by Buenos Aires 2018 and the IOC.
- 2.9. This protocol is subject to change if there are changes initiated by World Taekwondo, Pan American Sport Organization, COC, and/or IOC.



3. Weight Divisions

- 3.1. Weight divisions for the 2018 YOGQT are in accordance with the World Taekwondo Youth Olympic divisions.
- 3.2. The weight divisions are:

Male	Female
-48kg	-44kg
-55kg	-49kg
-63kg	-55kg
-73kg	-63kg
+73kg	+63kg

4. Division Prioritization

- 4.1. Taekwondo Canada shall pre-select the three (3) male and three (3) female YOG divisions from the five (5) male and five (5) female divisions.
- 4.2. Athletes:
 - 4.2.1. Each athlete is eligible to earn points for his or her division only from January 1, 2017 to November 30, 2017.
 - 4.2.2. Points are earned by YOG age eligible athletes who apply to participate in the 2018 YOGQT National Selection event must submit their eligible results and proof of results to the High Performance Department at hpd@taekwondo-canada.com and high_performance@taekwondo-canada.com by December 7, 2017. Taekwondo Canada will collect the points. Athletes must submit their points to verify that all point are correct. If the athlete does not submit his or her point it does not disqualify them.



4.3. Events:

4.3.1. Eligible events to earn points are 2017 Pan Am Cadet and Junior Championships and World Taekwondo G2 and G1 rated events that are held from January 1, 2017 to November 30, 2017.

4.4. Points earned:

4.4.1. Points earned will include two World Taekwondo Junior Championships (WTJC) Divisions for each YOG division as follows:

4.4.2. Points will be totaled for each division with the single highest medal performance earning points per division per event. A maximum of 10 points per division per event is possible.

Male		Female	
WTJC Divisions	YOG Division	WTJC Divisions	YOG Division
-45kg -48kg	-48kg	-42kg -44kg	-44kg
-51kg -55kg	-55kg	-46kg -49kg	-49kg
-59kg -63kg	-63kg	-52kg -55kg	-55kg
-68kg -73kg	-73kg	-59kg -63kg	-63kg
-78kg +78kg	+73kg	-68kg +68kg	+63kg

4.4.3. Point earnings for eligible events:

4.4.3.1. Points earned must have a minimum of 4 countries and 8 athletes in the division to earn full points

Placing	Points Earned
1 st Place	10 points





2 nd Place	6 points
3 rd Place	3.6 points

4.4.3.2. Points earned must have a minimum of four athletes in the division to earn partial points

Placing	Points Earned
1 st Place	6 points
2 nd Place	3.6 points
3 rd Place	2.16 points

4.4.3.3. With less than a minimum of four athletes in the division no points will be awarded.

4.5. The three male and three female YOG divisions will be prioritized based on the analysis of points earned from YOG age eligible athletes:

4.5.1. Based on analysis of results earned from YOG age eligible athletes who podium at World Taekwondo G events shall earn points for the divisions in which they competed in. For example, if athlete A, who competed in JR M-45kg wins 1st place at 2017 German Open, he would earn 10 points within YOG division 1.

4.5.2. Results will be based on the total points earned by the YOG eligible athletes within the JR weight division during 4.2.1.

4.6. If there is a tie for the selection of divisions, priority will be given for points earned at:

4.6.1. Pan Am Championships plus G2 events

4.6.2. Pan Am Championships

4.6.3. G2 events plus G1 events

4.6.4. G2 events

4.6.5. G1 events

4.7. The YOG Divisions for 2018 YOGQ National Selection event will be announced by December 15, 2017.





5. 2018 Youth Olympic Games Qualification Team National Selection Event

- 5.1. The 2018 YOGQ National selection event for 2018 Youth Olympic Qualification Team will occur in early 2018.
- 5.2. The 2018 Canadian YOGQ selection event format will be double elimination.
- 5.3. The athletes who finish 1st place in each of the three male and three female YOG divisions at the 2018 Canadian YOGQ selection event will be selected to the 2018 Youth Olympic Games Qualification Team that will compete at the YOG Qualification event in Hammamet, Tunisia from April 6 to 7, 2018.
- 5.4. The athletes who finish 2nd place in each of the three male and three female YOG divisions at the 2018 Canadian YOGQ selection event will be selected as an alternate to the 2018 Youth Olympic Games Qualification Team that will compete at the YOG Qualification event in Hammamet, Tunisia from April 6 to 7, 2018.

6. Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games Team

- 6.1. The athletes who earn the quota for Canada at the 2018 YOGQT will be nominated to the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games Taekwondo Team.
- 6.2. The Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) shall approve the nominations.
- 6.3. The COC has allocated four athlete quota places to Taekwondo Canada for the Buenos Aires 2018 YOG. Any additional qualifications will be subject to the COC quota reallocation process, pending availability of quota places.
- 6.4. Should Canada qualify more than four athletes to the Buenos Aires 2018 YOG and Taekwondo Canada does not receive the additional quota places from the COC, the following selection will take place:
 - 6.4.1. The athlete with the highest finish at the 2018 YOGQT will be given the priority. The eight (8) best-ranked athletes in each weight category will earn their NOC a quota place, in the respective weight category for 2018 Buenos Aires YOG.
 - 6.4.2. If there is still a tie, priority will be given to the division with the highest priority ranking (see section 4).



7. General Requirements to Maintain Invitation to Team or as Alternate

- 7.1. Maintain ongoing requirements to be eligible for and to maintain the invitation;
- 7.2. Sign the Athlete Agreement as required by Taekwondo Canada to compete at the 2018 YOGQT and Buenos Aires 2018 YOG;
- 7.3. Submission of a required medical examination report when requested by the HP Director or designate. Additionally, an emergency report is to be filed when necessary.
- 7.4. Nominated athletes are expected to provide a plan of preparation to be competition ready for the approved events, 2018 YOGQT and Buenos Aires 2018 YOG and, upon request, to prove appropriate competitive readiness for these events through the submission of a training diary and a successful official weigh-in.
 - 7.4.1. A Training and Competition Plan may be required and if required it must be provided as follows:
 - 7.4.1.1. The athlete's training schedule, plans and targets
 - 7.4.1.2. Injury prevention and medical intervention strategies, if applicable.
 - 7.4.2. Athletes must file:
 - 7.4.2.1. A medical fitness report when requested;
 - 7.4.2.2. A Medical or Emergency Incident report if and when the athlete suffers an injury, illness, or disability that may affect meeting training targets, ongoing performance and training, or prevent the athlete from competing in the application competitions.
- 7.5. Loss of Invitation or Alternate Status
 - 7.5.1. An Invitation to an athlete may be withdrawn at any time, even after notification, acceptance, or signing of an Athlete's Agreement, if in the opinion of the Executive Director the athlete has failed to:
 - 7.5.1.1. fulfill eligibility to be selected and be Invited (to the team or as an alternate); or
 - 7.5.1.2. fulfill ongoing obligations of the athlete under this policy.



7.6. Following team nomination to the COC, any such removals are subject to the approval of the COC Team Selection Committee.

8. Exceptional circumstances

- 8.1. An athlete who does not meet the selection process set out above may be considered for selection if she or he meets the conditions of the Exceptional Circumstances provisions.
- 8.2. Should an injury or unforeseen circumstance prevent an athlete from competing in the required events, the athlete must notify Taekwondo Canada, in writing, before the event with a thorough explanation. The decision to nominate the athlete to the 2018 Youth Olympic Qualification Team and/or the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games team will be made at the sole discretion of the Executive Director based on recommendations by the Taekwondo Canada HP Director or in the absence of the High Performance Director, the recommendation of the Coaching Committee will be followed taking into consideration the accumulated results during the qualification period, the overall potential of the athlete, and the written explanation of the athlete's health status, recovery, and training plan.
- 8.3. Should an injury or unforeseen circumstance prevent the selected athlete from competing on the 2018 Youth Olympic Qualification team the athlete must immediately notify Taekwondo Canada in writing. The decision to select an alternate is at the sole discretion of the Executive Director based on recommendations by the Taekwondo Canada HP director, or in the absence of the High Performance Director, the recommendation of the Coaching Committee will be followed.
- 8.4. In the event of an injured athlete, only a medical doctor licensed in Canada can make the final medical recommendation. Should there be a difference of opinion amongst health care providers, the official licensed medical doctor for Taekwondo Canada will have final authority.
- 8.5. Substitutions after August 30, 2018 are subject to the IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy.



9. Approval and Appeal Process

- 9.1. Final decisions on the selection of athletes to participate on the 2018 YOGQ Team and nomination of athletes to the Buenos Aires 2018 YOG team shall be made by the Executive Director based on recommendations by the Taekwondo Canada HP director, or in the absence of the High Performance Director, the recommendation of the Coaching Committee will be followed.
- 9.2. Issues not otherwise addressed by this Selection Protocol shall be resolved by the Executive Director based on recommendations by the Taekwondo Canada HP director, or in the absence of the High Performance Director, the recommendation of the Coaching Committee will be followed.
- 9.3. Any decision relating to this protocol may be appealed by an athlete who is materially affected by that decision and who is a registered participant of Taekwondo Canada in good standing. Appeals must be conducted in accordance with the Taekwondo Canada appeals policy.
- 9.4. If both parties are in agreement, the Taekwondo Canada Appeals Policy can be bypassed and the matter can be brought immediately before the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) who will then manage the appeals process.



10. General

10.1. Key Target Dates:

December 7, 2017	Deadline for YOG age eligible athletes to submit eligible results of events from January 1, 2017 to November 30, 2017.
December 15, 2017	Taekwondo Canada to announce the three male and three female Division Prioritization
February 15-18, 2018	2018 YOGQ Canadian Selection Event
February 23, 2018	Deadline for Athlete Agreement
February 23, 2018	Deadline for Athlete to submit training plan to Taekwondo Canada
March 1, 2018	Taekwondo Canada announces the 2018 YOGQ Team
May 2018	Taekwondo Canada announces the 2018 Buenos Aires YOG Team

10.2. Issues not otherwise covered by this document are subject to the decision of the Executive Director based on recommendations by the Taekwondo Canada HP director, or in the absence of the High Performance Director, the recommendation of the Coaching Committee will be followed.



Appendix A

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES 2018

WORLD TAEKWONDO

Taekwondo

A. EVENTS (10)

Men's Events (5)	Women's Events (5)
-48 kg	-44 kg
48 - 55 kg	44 - 49 kg
55 - 63 kg	49 - 55 kg
63 - 73 kg	55 - 63 kg
+ 73 kg	+ 63 kg

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Taekwondo:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Universality Places	Total
Men	37	3	10	50
Women	37	3	10	50
Total	74	6	20	100

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC*
Men	3
Women	3
Total	6

* NOCs can enter a maximum of one (1) athlete per weight category.

3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota place is allocated to the NOC.



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). Only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Youth Olympic Games.

Age

To be eligible to participate in the Youth Olympic Games, athletes must have been born between 1 January 2001 and 31 December 2002.

Additional IF Requirements:

To be eligible to participate in the Youth Olympic Games, athletes must:

- Be a Kukkiwon Dan or Poom certificate holder;
- Be a WT Global Athlete License holder;
- Have been nominated by the relevant national taekwondo association that is recognised by the World Taekwondo and by their NOC.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

QUALIFICATION PLACES

MEN/WOMEN

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
D.1. 37 Men 37 Women	D.1. WT World YOG Qualification Tournament The YOG Qualification Tournament will be held in conjunction with the 12th WT World Taekwondo Junior Championships in 2018 but as a separate event. An NOC, may enter a maximum of three (3) men and three (3) women athletes in the WT World Taekwondo Qualification Tournament, with a maximum of one (1) athlete per weight category. The eight (8) best-ranked athletes in each weight category will earn their NOC a quota place, in the respective weight category. For the weight categories in which the host country* elects to use its Host Country Places, only the (7) seven best-ranked athletes, in this weight category, will earn a quota place for their NOC.



A single elimination system will apply to the qualification tournament. The rank of the top 16 athletes per weight division shall be classified as follows:

1 st	Winner of the final match
2 nd	Loser of the final match
3 rd	Loser to the 1 st placed winner in the semi-final
4 th	Loser to the 2 nd placed winner in the semi-final
5 th	Loser to the 1 st placed winner in the quarterfinal
6 th	Loser to the 2 nd placed winner in the quarterfinal
7 th	Loser to the 3 rd placed winner in the quarterfinal
8 th	Loser to the 4 th placed winner in the quarterfinal
9 th	Loser to the 1 st placed winner at round of 16
10 th	Loser to the 2 nd placed winner at round of 16
11 th	Loser to the 3 rd placed winner at round of 16
12 th	Loser to the 4 th placed winner at round of 16
13 th	Loser to the 5 th placed winner at round of 16
14 th	Loser to the 6 th placed winner at round of 16
15 th	Loser to the 7 th placed winner at round of 16
16 th	Loser to the 8 th placed winner at round of 16

Based on result of the WT World YOG Qualification Tournament, all ranked athletes will be seeded in the order of their ranks in the YOG, while the rest of the athletes will be drawn randomly.
*The host country shall not participate in the qualification tournament, as it shall automatically qualify three (3) male and three (3) female athletes, with a maximum of one (1) athlete per weight category. See Host Country Places section.

HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country will automatically qualify three (3) male and three (3) female athletes, with a maximum of one (1) athlete per weight category, on the condition that the athletes meet the eligibility requirements described under section C of this document. For the YOG, all the six (6) athletes shall be seeded in fourth place.

UNIVERSITY PLACES

Ten (10) male Universality Places and ten (10) female Universality Places will be made available to eligible NOCs at the YOG, subject to the athletes meeting the required technical level and the eligibility criteria defined under section C.





The International Olympic Committee will invite all eligible NOCs to submit their requests for Universality Places (date TBC). The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the relevant NOCs, in collaboration with WT, in March 2017.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION PLACES

The WT shall confirm NOCs' qualification place(s) immediately following the WT World YOG Qualification Tournament.

The NOCs will then have two (2) weeks to confirm in writing to the WT and BAYOGOC if they wish to use these quota places as detailed in section G. Qualification Timeline.

CONFIRMATION OF HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country must confirm in writing to the WT and BAYOGOC by 31 December 2017 the participation of its athletes, specifying the chosen weight categories.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES

If a quota place allocated is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of quota place deadline or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be reallocated to the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified in the respective weight category at the WT World YOG Qualification Tournament, on condition that the maximum quota per NOC is not exceeded.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Any unused Host Country Places will be reallocated to the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified in the respective weight category at the WT World YOG Qualification Tournament, on condition that the maximum quota per NOC is not exceeded.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED UNIVERSITY PLACES

Any unused Universality Places, including those returned after the final allocation by YOG Tripartite Commission, will be reallocated to the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified in



the respective weight category at the WT World YOG Qualification Tournament, on condition that the maximum quota per NOC is not exceeded.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
Universality Places	March 2017	Validation of final allocation of Universality Places by the YOG Tripartite Commission
Qualification	1 April 2017- 23 July 2018	YOG 2018 qualification period
	<date>*	YOG Qualification Tournament in conjunction with 12th WT World Junior Taekwondo Championships
Accreditation Deadline	<date>*	Buenos Aires 2018 Accreditation Deadline (All potential athletes must be registered in the system)
Inform and Confirm	<date>*	WT to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places
	<date>*	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to WT and BAYOGOC
	31 December 2017	Host Country to confirm the participation of athletes
Réallocation	<date>	WT to reallocate all unused quota places and NOC to confirm
Reallocation	23 August 2018	Entries deadline by name for all sports
Sport Entries Deadline	<date>*	Finalisation of DRP Deadline
Finalisation of DRP Deadline	1 – 12 October 2018	3 rd Summer Youth Olympic Games – Buenos Aires 2018

* To be defined