



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM FOR MEN'S AND WOMEN'S JUNIOR WORLD CUPS - 2009

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1. MEN'S JUNIOR WORLD CUP

Format

The Men's World Cup will consist of one Men's tournament with 20 countries. Twenty (20) teams will be placed in four pools of five teams for the preliminary round. Should the number be less than 20, one or more of the pools will comprise more teams than the others. The top two ranked teams in each pool proceed to the Medal Round Pool (Pools E and F). The third and fourth ranked teams proceed to the 1st Non Medal Round Pool (Pools G and H). The fifth ranked team in each pool proceed to the 2nd Non-Medal Round Pool (Pool I).

Continental Representation

Each continent will be represented by at least one of its countries in the Men's Junior World Cup tournament.

Qualification Criteria

Qualification for the Men's Junior World Cup will be based upon quotas allocated to the continents by the Executive Board. Based upon the quotas allocated to each continental federation, the teams will be determined as the relevant Junior continental qualification tournaments in the respective continental federations.

The co-host nations will automatically qualify and will take two of the quotas allocated to the continental federation in which the tournament is organised.

The quotas allocated by the Executive Board for the Men's Junior World Cup, 2009 are as follows:

Africa	2 teams
Asia	6 teams
Europe	7 teams
Oceania	2 teams
Pan America	3 teams

Reserves: The reserve countries (if required) to be determined by participation ratio quota system that applied for Men's Junior World Cups 2005.

2. WOMEN'S JUNIOR WORLD CUP

Format

The Women's Junior World Cup will consist of one women's tournament with 16 countries. Sixteen (16) teams will be placed in four pools of four teams for the preliminary round. Should the number be less than 16, one or more of the pools will comprise more teams than the others. The top three ranked teams in each pool proceed to the Medal Round Pool (Pools E and F). The fourth ranked team in each pool proceeds to the Non-Medal Round Pool (Pool G).



Continental Representation

Each continent will be represented by at least one of its countries in the respective Men's and Women's Junior World Cup tournaments.

Qualification Criteria

Qualification for the Women's Junior World Cups will be based upon quotas allocated to the continents by the Executive Board. Based upon the quotas allocated to each continental federation, the teams will be determined as the relevant Junior continental qualification tournaments in the respective continental federations.

The host nation will automatically qualify and will take one of the quotas allocated to the continental federation in which the tournament is organised.

The quotas allocated by the Executive Board for the Women's Junior World Cup, 2009 are as follows:

Africa	2 teams
Asia	3 teams
Europe	6 teams
Oceania	2 teams
Pan America	3 teams
1 st Reserve:	Europe
2 nd and subsequent Reserves:	Next best ranked NA from the same CF as that of the team that withdrew. If this is not possible – to be determined by participation ratio quota system that applied for Junior World Cups 2005.