

# INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY FEDERATION (FIH)

**A. Events and Quotas**

MEN'S EVENTS (1)	WOMEN'S EVENTS (1)
6-team tournament for Men	6-team tournament for Women

QUOTA	TOTAL	NOC QUOTA	
Men	96	Men	1 Men's team of 16 players
Women	96	Women	1 Women's team of 16 players
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32 players</b>

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY
To be eligible for the YOG, athletes must have been born between 1 January 1993 and 31 December 1994.

**B. Qualification System**

PERFORMANCE & CONTINENTAL REPRESENTATION	
<b>1. PERFORMANCE</b>	
1.1	The six-team tournament for both Men and Women shall consist of one national team per continent as well as a sixth team which shall either represent the host NOC or be proposed by the FIH in accordance with the criteria set out below.
1.2	Participation shall be limited to one Men's team and one Women's team per NOC across all team sports, namely, Football, Handball, Hockey and Volleyball. In the event that an NOC qualifies more than two teams across the different sports there shall be a reallocation process in accordance with the criteria set out hereunder.
<b>2. CONTINENTAL REPRESENTATION</b>	
2.1	Men – Continental Qualifications <span style="float: right;">5 teams to qualify</span> Five (5) continental champions, namely:
Africa	African Men's Youth Olympic Qualifier
America	1 <sup>st</sup> Men's Youth Pan American Cup
Asia	2 <sup>nd</sup> U18 Boys Asia Cup
Europe	EuroHockey U18 Boys' Youth Nations Championship
Oceania	U18 Men's Youth Olympic Qualifier
2.2	Women – Continental Qualifications <span style="float: right;">5 teams to qualify</span> Five (5) continental champions, namely:
Africa	African Women's Youth Olympic Qualifier
America	1 <sup>st</sup> Women's Youth Pan American Cup
Asia	2 <sup>nd</sup> U18 Girls' Asia Cup
Europe	EuroHockey U18 Girls' Youth Nations Championship
Oceania	U18 Women's Youth Olympic Qualifier

HOST COUNTRY REPRESENTATION
The Host Country shall only automatically qualify one team (either Men or Women). The unused Host Country place (either Men or Women) shall be reallocated in accordance with the criteria set out below.

**C. Reallocation of unused quota places**

UNUSED IF QUOTA PLACES
At the conclusion of the YOG qualifying tournaments, the FIH will communicate in writing the confirmation of qualification to the NOC and the National Association of each obtained place within fourteen (14) days of the conclusion of the competition.
Upon receipt of confirmation of qualification to the YOG hockey tournament from the FIH, the NOC must confirm its acceptance in writing of the obtained place by 1 June 2010 to the FIH and the YOGOC.
In the event that an NOC does not accept an obtained place, the FIH will communicate in writing the confirmation of qualification to the NOC and the National Association of the next best ranked teams in order at the relevant continental qualifying tournament until the continental allocation is accepted.

UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES
One additional place will be allocated to the continents, to be determined at the relevant continental qualification tournaments set out in 2.1 above, in whichever tournament the Host Country does not enter a team.
The one additional place to be allocated to a continent shall be based upon firstly, the continent which has the greatest number of teams participating in its YOG qualifying tournament, and secondly, the team that is ranked in second place at the particular continental qualifying event as set out in 2.1 above.

**D. Qualification timeline**

DATE	MILESTONE
March 2009 to May 2010	YOG 2010 FIH qualification period
07–12 July 2009	EuroHockey Boys' U18 Youth Nations Championship, Nivelles (BEL)
07–12 July 2009	EuroHockey Girls' U18 Youth Nations Championship, Nivelles (BEL)
October/December 2009 (TBC)	2 <sup>nd</sup> U18 Boys' Asia Cup (Location TBC)
October/December 2009 (TBC)	2 <sup>nd</sup> U18 Girls' Asia Cup (Location TBC)
January/March 2010 (TBC)	1 <sup>st</sup> Youth Men's Pan American Cup (Location TBC)
January/March 2010 (TBC)	1 <sup>st</sup> Youth Women's Pan American Cup (Location TBC)
February 2010 (TBC)	1 <sup>st</sup> African Men's Youth Olympic Qualifier, South Africa (TBC)
February 2010 (TBC)	1 <sup>st</sup> African Women's Youth Olympic Qualifier, South Africa (TBC)
Dates to be confirmed	Oceania Men's Youth Olympic Qualifier (Location TBC)
Dates to be confirmed	Oceania Women's Youth Olympic Qualifier (Location TBC)
31 December 2009	Host Country to advise IOC and FIH which Host Country quota it will use, namely, either its Men's or Women's team.
15 March 2010	FIH to nominate extra quota from Continentals for tournament in which the Host Country does not participate

31 March 2010	FIH confirms qualification to the National Associations and NOCs
1 June 2010	NOCs to confirm to the FIH and YOGOC that they will use the obtained places
1 June – 14 July 2010	Final reallocation period for unused quota places
15 July 2010	Entries deadline (by name) for all sports