



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM
GAMES OF THE XXXIV OLYMPIAD – LA28

International Basketball Federation (FIBA)

3x3 BASKETBALL



A. EVENTS	MEN	WOMEN
	12-team tournament	12-team tournament

B. QUOTA PLACES			
B.1. Total quota places for 3x3 Basketball			Total
QUOTA PLACES	44 (11 teams)	44 (11 teams)	88 (22 teams)
HOST COUNTRY QUOTA	4 (1 team)	4 (1 team)	8 (2 teams)
TOTAL	48 (12 teams)	48 (12 teams)	96 (24 teams)
B.2. Maximum number of athletes per National Olympic Committee (NOC)			
QUOTA PLACES PER NOC	4 (1 team)	4 (1 team)	8 (2 teams)
B.3. Type of allocation of quota places			

Quota places are allocated to the NOC(s).

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must respect and comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including 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), as well as the IOC Policy on the Protection of the Female (Women's) Category in Olympic Sport and Guiding Considerations for International Federations and Sports Governing Bodies (the "Policy").

Only those athletes who respect and comply with the Olympic Charter, the Policy, the World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions, the conditions of participation established by the IOC, as well as the rules or policies of FIBA, may participate in the LA28 Olympic Games.

Age Requirements

- C.1.** To be eligible to participate in the LA28 Olympic Games, athletes must have been born before 1 January 2010, as validated by the passport used for ACR registration.

Additional IF Requirements

- C.2.** To be eligible to participate in the Olympic Games, all athletes must have a confirmed account at play.fiba3x3.com with verified eligibility and have participated in at least two events of any of the following competitions between 1 January 2026 and 12 June 2028:

- FIBA 3x3 Official Competitions
- FIBA 3x3 Recognised National Team Competitions
- Recognised Qualifiers.

Each team must consist of four athletes. Of these, a minimum of two athletes must be ranked among the top ranked players of their country as per the FIBA 3x3 Individual Ranking of each respective gender, as of 12 June 2028, two weeks before the Los Angeles 2028 Sport Entries Deadline. The list of top ranked players must be sufficient to include the top 10 who did not participate in the Youth Nations League in the previous calendar year.

Notwithstanding the above, to be eligible to participate in the Olympic Games, the athletes must comply with the specific nationality criteria for 3x3, as set out in the FIBA Internal Regulations, which are summarised below:

- They must hold legal nationality of the country they are representing;
- They must have presented a passport of the country they are representing issued by the competent authorities before 1 January 2026;
- They cannot have played for the national team of another country in any FIBA National Team Competitions or FIBA 3x3 National Team Competitions, except with a special dispensation from FIBA's Secretary General.

Only NOCs with National Associations which comply with the following criteria are eligible to participate in the Olympic Games:

- Have at least one staff member with a valid FIBA 3x3 e-learning certification by 1 December 2027;
- Have not been the object of a suspension or otherwise sanctioned by FIBA.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

Number of quota places		Qualification events
MEN / WOMEN	D.1. 5 Men 5 Women (40 Athletes)	FIBA 3x3 NOC Ranking as of 1 December 2027 at 12:00 UTC (NOC Ranking) The highest-ranked NOCs per gender in the NOC Ranking from Africa, Europe and Americas and the two highest-ranked NOCs per gender in the NOC Ranking from Asia and Oceania (considered together, but at least one from Asia), will each earn one quota place for their NOC for the LA28 Olympic Games. The NOC Ranking is the ranking of all NOCs based on the FIBA 3x3 Individual World Ranking points of their top 20 national players (with a confirmed FIBA 3x3 Profile at play.fiba3x3.com) in the respective gender category, combining their nine best results in each of the previous two years, respectively, in FIBA 3x3 Official Competitions, FIBA 3x3 Recognised National Team Competitions, and Recognised Qualifiers. For qualification for the LA28 Olympic Games, the one-year periods for which results are considered in the NOC Ranking are the 12 months prior to 1 December 2026 and 1 December 2027 respectively. In the event of a tie in the NOC Ranking, the tied NOCs will be ranked based on their highest-ranked player in the corresponding gender category as per the FIBA 3x3 Individual Ranking, considering only events in FIBA 3x3 Official Competitions, FIBA 3x3 Recognised National Team Competitions, and Recognised Qualifiers. This tie-breaker system will also apply to any situation where a quota place needs to be assigned under any of the scenarios explained below in the qualification pathway. The NOC Ranking is updated daily and can be checked at https://fiba3x3.com/en/olympics/intro.html.
	D.2. 2 Men 2 Women (16 Athletes)	2028 FIBA Universality-driven Olympic Qualifying Tournament 1 (OQT 1), Location TBC, Date TBC 2028 The two highest placed NOCs in each respective gender at the OQT 1 will receive one quota place for the LA28 Olympic Games. Twelve teams per gender are eligible to participate in the OQT 1 as per the following criteria and the following order: 1. The respective Host of OQT 1, if not yet qualified in the corresponding gender category for the LA28 Olympic Games. If the OQT 1 Host has already qualified through the NOC Ranking in any of the gender categories, the OQT 1 Host may propose a replacement to FIBA in the respective gender category.

2. Up to 12 highest-ranked NOCs in the NOC Ranking in each respective gender, not yet qualified directly for the LA28 Olympic Games through the NOC Ranking.
3. Only NOCs that have not been represented in the discipline of basketball (5v5) (men or women) in the past two editions of the Olympic Games are eligible to participate in the OQT 1.
4. A minimum of one team per gender, per zone, and a maximum of six teams per gender from the same zone (where the “zones” are Asia-Oceania together, Americas, Europe and Africa) may participate in the OQT 1.

If an invited National Team does not accept the invitation or is for any other reason unable to participate in the OQT 1 in a given gender category, the next highest-ranked and eligible National Team in the NOC Ranking of that respective gender not already qualified for the LA28 Olympic Games will be invited to take part in the OQT 1, subject to the above-mentioned criteria.

The NOC Ranking is updated daily and can be checked at <https://fiba3x3.com/en/olympics/intro.html>.

D.3.

**2 Men
2 Women
(16 Athletes)**

2028 FIBA Ranking Olympic Qualifying Tournament (OQT 2), Location TBC, Date TBC 2028

The two highest placed NOCs at the OQT 2 in each respective gender will each receive one quota place for the LA28 Olympic Games.

Twelve teams per gender are eligible to participate in the OQT 2 as per the following criteria and the following order:

1. The respective Host of OQT 2, if not yet qualified for the LA28 Olympic Games. If the OQT 2 Host's NOC has already qualified in either of the gender categories, the OQT 2 Host may propose a replacement to FIBA, in the respective gender category.
2. Up to 12 of the highest-ranked NOCs in the NOC Ranking not yet qualified for the LA28 Olympic Games.
3. A minimum of one team per gender, per zone and a maximum of six teams per zone (where the “zones” are Asia-Oceania together, Americas, Europe and Africa) may participate in the OQT 2.

If an invited National Team does not accept the invitation or is unable to participate in the OQT 2, or if there is a vacancy for any of the quotas listed above, the next highest-ranked and eligible National Team in the NOC Ranking in the respective gender category, not already qualified for the LA28 Olympic Games will be invited to participate to the OQT 2.

D.4.

1 Men
1 Women
(8 Athletes)

Olympic Q-Series, Tokyo and Shanghai, May 2028

The highest-placed NOC at the Q-Series in each respective gender will each receive one quota place for the LA28 Olympic Games.

Eight teams are eligible to participate in the Q-Series as per the following criteria and the following order, until the total of eight teams is reached:

1. The respective Host of the Q-Series, if not yet qualified in the corresponding gender category for the LA28 Olympic Games. If the Q-Series Host has already qualified in either of the gender categories, the Q-Series Host may propose a replacement to FIBA for the respective gender category.
2. The highest-placed NOC in the standings of the 2026 FIBA 3x3 Champions Cup, if any, not yet qualified for the LA28 Olympic Games.
3. The highest-placed NOC in the standings of the 2027 FIBA 3x3 Champions Cup, if any, not yet qualified for the LA28 Olympic Games.
4. The highest-placed NOC in the standings of each of the 2027 Continental Cups (Asia- Oceania together, America, Europe and Africa), if any, not yet qualified for the LA28 Olympic Games.
5. Up to eight of the highest-placed NOCs in the standings of the 2027 FIBA 3x3 World Cup not yet qualified for the LA28 Olympic Games.

If in a given gender category an invited National Team does not accept the invitation or is unable to participate in the Q-Series, or if there is a vacancy for any of the quotas listed above, the next highest-ranked and eligible National Team in the standings of the 2027 FIBA 3x3 World Cup in the respective gender category, not already qualified for the LA28 Olympic Games will be invited to participate in the Q-Series.

D.5.

1 Men
1 Women
(8 Athletes)

Olympic Q-Series, Tokyo and Shanghai, May 2028

The highest-placed NOCs in each respective gender at the Q-Series will receive one quota place for the LA28 Olympic Games.

Eight teams per gender are eligible to participate in the Q-Series as per the following criteria and the following order:

1. The respective Host of the Q-Series, if not yet qualified in the corresponding gender category for the LA28 Olympic Games. If the Q-Series Host has already qualified in either of the gender categories, the Q-Series Host may propose a replacement to FIBA for the respective gender category.
2. Up to eight of the highest-ranked NOCs in the Combined NOC Ranking not yet qualified for the LA28 Olympic Games;

3. A minimum of one team per gender, per zone, and a maximum of four teams per gender from the same zone (where the zones are Asia-Oceania together, Americas, Europe, and Africa) may participate in the Q-Series.

If an invited National Team does not accept the invitation or for any other reason is unable to participate in the Q-Series in a given gender category, the next highest-ranked and eligible National Team in the Combined Ranking List, not already qualified for the LA28 Olympic Games will be invited to participate in the Q-Series in that respective gender category, subject to the above-mentioned criteria.

The Combined NOC Ranking is the geometric average of the ranking points of the Men's and Women's NOC Ranking. The Combined NOC Ranking is updated daily and can be checked in <https://fiba3x3.com/en/olympics/intro.html>.

D.6.

Host Country Places

The host country of the LA28 Olympic Games may qualify one team per gender subject to fulfilling the conditions imposed by the FIBA Central Board.

E. CONFIRMATION

Confirmation of Qualification Places

- E.1.** FIBA will publish on fiba3x3.com the results of each of the qualification events within one day after the conclusion of the event.

FIBA will confirm in writing to the NOCs, no later than 6 December 2027, their respective qualification to the LA28 Olympic Games as per the NOC Ranking. NOCs will have 10 days after receipt of FIBA's notification to confirm if they wish to accept these quota places, as detailed in section **G. Qualification Timeline**.

Within five days after the last day of each qualification event (OQT 1, OQT 2, and both Q-Series), FIBA will confirm in writing to the NOCs the quota places they have been allocated. NOCs will then have 10 days after receipt of FIBA's notification to confirm to FIBA if they wish to accept these quota places, as detailed in section **G. Qualification Timeline**.

Confirmation of Host Country Places

- E.2.** The NOC of the host country must confirm in writing to FIBA by 1 September 2026 its interest in using its host country place.

F. REALLOCATION

Reallocation of unused Qualification Places

- F.1.** If the use of an allocated quota place for the LA28 Olympic Games is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of quota place deadline, if such allocation is declined by the NOC, or if for any other reason the NOC is unable to use it, the quota place will be reallocated to the next highest-ranked and eligible NOC not yet qualified, either from the event or under the respective methodology by which the unused quota place was originally obtained.

Reallocation of unused Host Country Places

- F.2.** Unused host country places will be reallocated to the next highest ranked eligible team in the NOC Ranking not yet qualified for the LA28 Olympic Games, subject to the maximum quota per gender.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone
1 September 2026	Host NOC to confirm to FIBA the use of its host country places.
1 December 2027 (Ranking Cut-Off Date)	Cut-off date for allocation of quota places based on the NOC Ranking List.
Within five days after the Ranking Cut-Off Date	FIBA confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained. (Ranking Quota Notification)
Within 10 days after the Ranking Quota Notification (Ranking Quota Reply Deadline)	The NOCs to confirm to FIBA their use of the allocated quota places.
Within 15 days after the Ranking Quota Reply Deadline	FIBA to reallocate all unused quota places.
TBC 2028	OQT 1, Location TBC
Within five days after the last day of OQT 1	FIBA to confirm in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained. (OQT 1 Quota Notification)
Within 10 days after the OQT 1 Quota Notification (OQT 1 Quota Deadline)	The NOCs to confirm to FIBA their use of the allocated quota places.

Within five days after OQT 1 Quota Deadline	FIBA to reallocate all unused quota places.
TBC 2028	OQT 2, Location TBC
Within five days after the last day of OQT 2	FIBA to confirm in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained. (OQT 2 Quota Notification)
Within 10 days after the OQT 2 Quota Notification (OQT 2 Quota Deadline)	The NOCs to confirm to FIBA their use of the allocated quota places.
Within five days after OQT 2 Quota Deadline	FIBA to reallocate all unused quota places.
04-07 May 2028	Olympic Q-Series, Tokyo, Japan
Within five days after the last day of Q-Series	FIBA to confirm in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained. (Q-Series Quota Notification)
Within 10 days after the Q-Series Quota Notification (Q-Series Quota Deadline)	The NOCs to confirm to FIBA their use of the allocated quota places.
Within five days after Q-Series Quota Deadline	FIBA to reallocate all unused quota places.
11-14 May 2028	Olympic Q-Series, Shanghai, China
Within five days after the last day of Q-Series	FIBA to confirm in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained. (Q- Series Quota Notification)
Within 10 days after the Q-Series Quota Notification (Q-Series Quota Deadline)	The NOCs to confirm to FIBA their use of the allocated quota places.
Within five days after Q-Series Quota Deadline	FIBA to reallocate all unused quota places.
12 June 2028	Eligibility cut-off deadline
24 June 2028	FIBA to reallocate any other unused quota places.
26 June 2028	LA28 Olympic Games Sport Entries deadline
16 – 22 July 2028	LA28 Olympic Games – 3x3 events