

Appendix 1: IF Eligibility Criteria –Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games

This appendix summarises key International Federation (IF) eligibility requirements for the Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games. National Federations remain responsible for ensuring full compliance with the official IF qualification systems and any updates issued after publication of this policy.

For the purpose of this NNOC Selection Policy, the eligibility criteria outlined below apply only to the sports in which Namibia has been selected to participate at the Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games. These are therefore not exhaustive of all sports on the Dakar 2026 programme but serve as a reference for the relevant Namibia National Federations.

Sport	Age Requirement	IF Eligibility Criteria
Athletics	Born between 1 January 2009 and 31 December 2010 (inclusive).	Must be registered with a Member Federation of World Athletics.
Beach Volleyball	Born on or after 1 January 2009.	Must comply with FIVB regulations, be registered in the FIVB database, demonstrate availability, and be evaluated based on competition results, performance consistency, national depth, and ranking.
Beach Wrestling	Born between 1 January 2009 and 31 December 2011 (inclusive).	Must hold a valid national federation license, be registered in the UWW database, and participation in U17 competitions is considered in quota allocation.
Boxing	Born between 14 November 2008 and 31 December 2009 (inclusive).	NF must be affiliated to World Boxing; athletes should participate in the U19 World Boxing Future's Cup (Q1 2026).

Sport	Age Requirement	IF Eligibility Criteria
Cycling (Road)	Born between 14 November 2008 and 31 December 2009 (inclusive).	Must hold a valid UCI license; NOC must enter athletes in 2025 World Championships, Continental Championships, or earn points in the Junior Nations Cup ranking.
Swimming	Must be older than 14 years on 31 October 2026 and younger than 17 years on 13 November 2026.	Must be listed on the World Aquatics Rankings between 1 February 2025 and 1 May 2026.
Triathlon	Born between 1 January 2009 and 31 December 2010 (inclusive).	Must have participated and finished in at least one eligible competition (Youth/Junior Continental Championships, Regional Cup, or Junior World Championships) between 10 May 2025 and 31 March 2026.