

IAAF- Athletics

Men and Women

EVENTS (47)	Men (24)	Women (23)
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Road	20km Race Walk 50km Race Walk Marathon	20km Race Walk Marathon

ATHLETE NUMBER **TOTAL (targeted number)** **2000**

MAXIMUM PER NOC*Individual events:*

An NOC may enter a maximum of 3 athletes per event provided they all have met the A qualifying standard for the respective event, or 1 athlete if he/she has met the B qualifying standard only

Relay events:

An NOC may enter a maximum of 1 relay team per event, with a maximum of 6 athletes in total per distance

ALLOCATION OF QUALIFICATION

Qualification is attributed to the athlete reaching the qualifying standard

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM PRINCIPLES – MEN AND WOMEN
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Event	Qualification	Total
Qualification events	The qualifying standards must be reached during the respective qualification period at the competitions organised and authorised by the IAAF, its Area Associations or its NFs	
Individual events	<p>A standard</p> <p>NOCs may enter up to 3 athletes per event provided they have all met the A qualifying standard. This standard must be met between 1 January 2007 (1 September 2006 for marathon events) and [<i>date to be confirmed</i>]</p>	
	<p>B standard</p> <p>NOCs may enter only 1 athlete per event if she/he has met the B qualifying standard. This standard must be met between 1 January 2007 (1 September 2006 for marathon events) and [<i>date to be confirmed</i>]</p>	
	<p>Unqualified entries</p> <p>NOCs which do not have qualified men and women athletes may enter their best male and female athlete (1 man and/or 1 woman) in 1 athletic event - with the exception of the 10,000m, the 3000m Steeplechase and the combined events - provided they are competitive at an international level. Acceptance of unqualified entries in field events will be at the discretion of the IAAF</p>	
Relay events	A maximum of 16 relay teams in each of the 4 events will qualify based on the aggregate of the two fastest times achieved by the national teams at IAAF recognised international events in the qualification period of 1 January 2007 to 23 July 2008	
Total		Targeted number of 2000

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ATHLETE / NOC QUOTA

Athlete quota: 1200 men
 800 women
 Total of 2000 athletes

Maximum per NOC: Individual events – An NOC may enter a maximum of 3 qualified athletes in each individual event if all entered athletes meet the A qualification standard for the respective event, or 1 athlete per event if they have met the B qualification standard only.

Relay events - An NOC may enter a maximum of 1 qualified relay team in each relay event, with a maximum of 6 qualified athletes. Should an NOC have entered individual athletes and a relay team in the same distance, the entered individual athletes must be included in the total of 6 athletes entered for the relay events.

NOCs without qualified athletes - NOCs without qualified athletes may enter a maximum of 1 male and 1 female in accordance with the specifications of the qualification system.

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

'A' qualifying standard - individuals

The 'A' qualifying standard for individual events will be the more difficult standard. NOCs may enter more than 1 athlete, and a maximum of 3 athletes, per event only if all have met the 'A' qualifying standard. This qualification standard must be met between 1 January 2007 and [*date to be confirmed*], with the exception of marathon, for which the qualification standard must be met between 1 September 2006 and [*date to be confirmed*].

'B' qualifying standard - individuals

NOCs may enter a maximum of 1 qualified athlete per event if he/she has met the 'B' qualifying standard. This standard must be met between 1 January 2007 and [*date to be confirmed*], with the exception of marathon, for which the qualification standard must be met between 1 September 2006 and [*date to be confirmed*].

Relay teams

There shall be a maximum of 16 qualified teams in each relay event, based on the aggregate of the two fastest times achieved by national teams at IAAF recognised international events in the qualification period of 1 January 2007 to 23 July 2008. A total of 6 athletes may be entered for a relay team. Should an NOC have entered individual athletes and a relay team in the same distance, the entered individual athletes must be included in the total of 6 athletes entered for the relay events.

NOCs without qualified athletes

NOCs for which no male or no female athlete has reached the required qualification standards will be allowed to enter their best male athlete and their best female athlete for 1 athletic event each, with the exception of the combined events, 10.000m and 3.000m steeplechase. This applies equally to unqualified female entries from an NOC with qualified males, and vice versa.

Athletes from NOCs who have requested such entries may reach the specified qualification standards between [*date to be confirmed*] and [*date to be confirmed*], in which case they would no longer be entitled to enter additional unqualified entries in the gender of the qualified athlete.

Acceptance of unqualified entries in field events will be at the discretion of the IAAF Technical Delegates, based on the technical standard of the athlete and the numbers of qualified athletes in the respective event. The athletes concerned must be competitive at international level, proven through participation at recognised IAAF international events.

In order to allow the IAAF Technical Delegates to assess the technical level of athletes requesting entries through this process, applications must be submitted by NOCs to the IAAF by 30 June 2008 on the appropriate IAAF form. The application must specify the event in which the entry is requested and the proof of the technical level and international participation of the nominated athlete. The IAAF Technical Delegates will confirm by 13 July 2008, in writing to NOCs the approval or otherwise of the entry of the specified athlete(s).

Qualification Standards [PLEASE NOTE - IAAF QUALIFICATION STANDARDS FOR THE BEIJING 2008 OLYMPIC GAMES TO BE FINALISED BY IAAF BEFORE THE END OF 2006]

MEN		EVENT	WOMEN	
A	B		A	B
10.21	10.28	100m	11.30	11.40
20.59	20.75	200m	22.97	23.13
45.55	45.95	400m	51.50	52.30
1:46.00	1:47.00	800m	2:00.00	2:01.30
3:36.20	3:38.00	1500m	4:05.80	4:07.15
13:21.50	13:25.40	5000m	15:08.70	15:20.45
27:49.00	28:06.00	10,000m	31:45.00	32:17.00
2h15.00	2h18.00	Marathon	2h37.00	2h42.00
8:24.60	8:30.30	3000m SC	To be determined	
13.55	13.72	110m H / 100m H	12.96	13.11
49.20	49.50	400m H	55.60	56.25
1h23.00	1h24.30	20km Race Walk	1h33.30	1h38.00
4h00.00	4h07.00	50km Race Walk		
8,000 points	7,700 points	Decathlon / Heptathlon	6,050 points	5,900 points
2.30	2.27	High Jump	1.95	1.91
5.65	5.55	Pole Vault	4.40	4.25
8.19	8.05	Long Jump	6.70	6.55
16.95	16.55	Triple Jump	14.20	14.00
20.30	20.00	Shot Put	18.55	17.15
64.00	62.55	Discus Throw	61.00	57.70
78.65	74.435	Hammer Throw	67.50	64.00
81.80	77.80	Javelin Throw	60.50	56.00
Best 16 National Teams		4 x 100m Relay	Best 16 National teams	
Best 16 National Teams		4 x 400m Relay	Best 16 National Teams	

For the Marathon Races and 50 km Walk Men, senior athletes only (any athlete aged 20 years and over on 31 December 2008) will be accepted.

Reserve (Alternate) Athletes

Should an NOC have 4 or more athletes who have reached the 'A' standard in a particular event, the NOC may nominate 3 athletes on 13 July 2008 to be accredited for the event, and also nominate a 4th athlete who would be considered as a reserve (alternate). This reserve could be selected to replace an entered athlete until the time of the technical meeting for the respective event, one day prior to the first competition in the event, and the accreditation status of the replaced athlete transferred to the newly entered athlete.

Should an NOC have 2 or more athletes who have reached the 'B' standard in a particular event, the NOC may nominate 1 athlete on 13 July 2008 to be accredited for the event, and also nominate a 2nd athlete who would be considered as a reserve (alternate). This reserve could be selected to replace an entered athlete until the time of the technical meeting for the respective event, one day prior to the first competition in the event, and the accreditation status of the replaced athlete transferred to the newly entered athlete.

Qualification period

Athletes must reach the qualification standards as set by the IAAF for each event from 1 January 2007 (1 September 2006 for marathon events) until [date to be confirmed] for individual events and from 1 January 2007 until 23 July 2008 for relay events in order to be eligible to participate in the athletic events of the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games.

Qualification events

All performances must be achieved during competitions organised or authorised by the IAAF, its Area Associations and its National Member Federations. Results achieved at university or school competitions must be certified by the National Federation of the country in which the competition was organised. Performances achieved in mixed events between male and female participants, held completely in the stadium, will not be accepted (see IAAF Rule 147).

Wind-assisted performances will not be accepted. Hand timing performances in 100m, 200m, 400m, 110m/100m Hurdles and 400m Hurdles will not be accepted. Indoor performances will be accepted.

A list of qualifying competitions for the Marathons and Race Walking Events, which meet with the IAAF's qualifying criteria, will be produced and approved by Council at the same time as the Qualification Standards.

The first 20 runners in the Men's Marathon and in the Women's Marathon in the World Championships in Athletics of Osaka 2007 [*and possibly some other major marathons, to be confirmed by IAAF*] will be considered as having met 'A' qualification standard.

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

1 September 2006	Start of the period at which qualification standards for marathon events may be achieved
31 December 2006	IAAF to confirm the qualification standards for the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games to be distributed to all NOCs and NFs
1 January 2007	Start of the period at which qualification standards for individual and relay events may be achieved
30 June 2008	Deadline for NOCs without qualified athletes to apply to the IAAF for entry places
13 July 2008	IAAF to confirm in writing to NOCs and BOCOG approval of entries from nations without qualified athletes
23 July 2008	End of qualification period of relay teams. IAAF to confirm in writing the list of 16 qualified teams for each relay event
23 July 2008	NOCs to confirm to IAAF the use of their qualified relay entry positions
23 July 2008	Deadline for Beijing 2008 Organising Committee to receive entry forms submitted by NOCs
[<i>date to be confirmed</i>]	Deadline for athletes meeting qualification standards

DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF PLACES**Individual events**

NOCs shall enter qualified athletes to BOCOG by the Entry by Name deadline of 23 July 2008. These entries shall be verified and approved by BOCOG in liaison with IAAF Technical Delegates.

Relay Events

Following the qualification deadline of 23 July 2008, the IAAF will confirm the list of 16 qualified teams for each relay event.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA POSITIONS

Relay Events

Should an NOC confirm to IAAF that they will not enter a qualified relay team, the qualification place will be reallocated to the NOC with a relay team which has recorded the next fastest time in an official IAAF international event in the specified period.