INTERNATIONAL LUGE FEDERATION (FIL)

A. Events and Quotas

Women's events (1)	MIXED EVENTS (2)
Women's Singles	Doubles
	Team Relay

ATHLETES QUOTA	TOTAL	MAXIMUM NOC QUOTA	TOTAL
Men	20	Men	2
Women	20	Women	2
Doubles	15	Doubles	1 (2 Athletes)
TOTAL	70	TOTAL	6

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for the 2012 Youth Olympic Games, athletes must have been born between 1 January 1994 and 31 December 1995.

All athletes must also have achieved the minimum standard of the FIL, as stated in section B below.

B. Qualification System

PERFORMANCE & CONTINENTAL REPRESENTATION

To achieve the **minimum standard of the FIL**, the athletes have to participate in a total of at least three (3) Junior World Cup races or Youth-A World Cup races during the pre-Olympic (2010/2011) and the Olympic season (until Dec.11th 2011). During this time the athletes must have reached at least 10 World Cup points in total. At least one of these races in the Olympic season (until 11 Dec. 2011 must be contested in the Junior class.

Every nation, regardless of which continent, gets at least one quota place where athletes have achieved the minimum standard of FIL in their event, if no more than 20 nations in singles (or 15 for doubles) qualify.

Should athletes from more than 20 nations (15 for doubles) achieve the minimum standard in an event, then an overall ranking (adding the World Cup points from athletes born in 1994 and 1995) of the pre-Olympic season (2010/11) and the Olympic season until Dec.11th 2011 will be drawn up. The quota places 1 to 19 (doubles 1 to 14) will be awarded based on the placement in the overall ranking.

If not qualified through the above system, the last quota place in each event, (20th in singles and 15th in doubles) is reserved for the host country. The selected athletes must have achieved the minimum standard of the FIL.

If there are less than 20 nations in a single event, then the previously described ranking is the basis for awarding the remaining quota places to the NOCs (2nd quota place for a same NOC). The second quota place will be awarded to that nation which has other athletes who have achieved the minimum standard and who are ranked in the overall standings. The allocation of the second quota place follows the order of the overall ranking.

MIXED TEAM RELAY

The Team Relay event is open to athletes who have qualified for the individual sled events (men's singles /women's singles / doubles).

A team is made up of one (1) man, one (1) woman and one (1) doubles team, all from the same NOC. An athlete may not compete in two events on the team.

Only one (1) team per nation may participate.

Mixed NOC teams are also allowed to compete. Mixed NOC teams comprise a maximum of two (2) nations which cannot form their own individual national teams.

An NOC that has one (1) full team may not be represented by another of their athletes in a mixed NOC team.

HOST COUNTRY REPRESENTATION

Austria as the host country is guaranteed one (1) allocation for each event. The athletes, however, must achieve the minimum FIL standard to be selected by their NOC.

Should the host country team already qualify through the above qualification system in one or more event, then the last place (20th singles, 15th doubles) will be reallocated as described in section B.

C. Reallocation of unused quota places

REALLOCATION PROCEDURE

If quota places of NOCs are not used, the following rules shall apply in all events.

Non-used quota places by NOCs are reallocated in the following order, as described in section B:

- 1st priority: Reallocation to athletes of other nations not yet qualified, who have achieved the minimum standard of FIL according to the overall ranking in section B.
- 2nd priority: Filling the unused places with 2nd quota places to already qualified NOCs in accordance with the overall ranking in section B.

If, following the priorities listed above, there are still unused places in one event, the FIL may increase the number of maximum registrations in the other events within the framework of the IOC quota (total 70) – same as the existing rule for the Olympic Winter Games.

If places in a particular event (men, women, doubles) are not filled, the following criteria will be followed to allow the maximum number of athletes permitted by the IOC to participate:

A. First, each of the other two events will be increased equally by the number of qualified athletes

For example: 16 out of 20 possible women = 4 places free = 2 additional men and 1 double. 14 out of 15 possible doubles = 2 places free = 1 additional man and 1 additional woman.

B. If it is not possible to reallocate equally by the number of athletes, then the remaining places will be allocated to the event that had the largest number of sleds racing in the YOG season up until December 11th, calculated as a total.

For example: 18 out of 20 possible women = 2 places free = either 2 men or 1 double. We calculated the men having more sleds entered in that period, so that the reallocation would go to two men and not to doubles.

D. Qualification timeline

DATE	MILESTONE
1 October 2010 to 11 December 2011	YOG 2012 IF qualification period
Nov. 2010 to Feb. 2011	4 - 6 Junior and Youth A World Cup Races in summary
Nov. 2010 to 11 Dec. 2011	3 - 4 Junior and Youth A World Cup Races in summary, one of them in Innsbruck-IgIs
12 to 15 December 2011	Final reallocation period for unused quota places
16 December 2011	Entries deadline (by name) for all sports