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PREAMBLE

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to establish the Qualification System for Athletes and Boats in Canoe/Kayak Slalom and Flatwater Racing to the XXIXth Olympiad in Beijing in 2008.

1. DEFINITIONS

This document should be read in conjunction with, but subject to, ICF's Statutes and Bye-Laws amended from time to time. In this document the following words and phrases have the following meanings:

"Athlete" means a qualified Competitor at Qualification Competitions for the Olympic Games.

"Athlete Quota Places" means one athlete allocated by ICF to an NOC with one single competitor in accordance with this Qualification System out of the maximum of 330 Athlete Quota Places. To avoid doubt, a K4 is four Athlete Quota Places and a C2 is two Athlete Quota Places.

"Allocation" means the places given to NOCs by ICF under this Qualification System.

"ANOC" means the Association of NOCs.

"Boat Quota Places" means one boat place in single, double or four in women or men Events allocated by ICF to an NOC in accordance with this Qualification System out of the minimum of 204 Boat Quota Places. To avoid doubt, a K4 is one Boat Quota Place and a C2 is one Boat Quota Place.

"Categories" means the categories within the Sport of Kayak Men (KM), Kayak Women (KW) and Canoe Men (CM).

"Classes" means within the Discipline of FWR K1M, K2M, K4M, K1W, K2W, K4W, C1M, and C2M.

"Competitor" means a participant at Qualification Competitions.

"Continental Qualification Competitions" means and includes the Continental Championships or Continental Games in 2007 or 2008 for FWR and SLR. Continental Qualification Competitions will be held for each Discipline within an existing Event in each of Europe, Africa, America, Asia and Oceania.

"Disciplines" means and includes the disciplines within the Sport of FWR and SLR.

"Events" means those Events set out in the following table.

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	FLATWATI	ER RACING	(FWR)	SLALOM RACING (SLR)			
	DISTANCE FOR FWR	MEN	WOMEN	MEN	WOMEN		
		K1	K1	K1	K1		
	500m	K2	K2				
EVENTS:		C1	K4	C1			
EVENTS.		C2		C2			
		K1					
	1000m	K2					
	1000m	K4					
		C1					
		C2					
	TOTAL	9	3	3	1		

[&]quot;FWR" means the Discipline of Flatwater Racing.

2. QUOTA

2.1 Athlete Quota Places

- (a) The maximum number of Athlete Quota Places available for Qualification is 330. 328 Athlete Quota Places will be allocated under this Qualification System by ICF and 2 Athlete Quota Places will be allocated by the TPC.
- (b) The allocation of these Athlete Quota Places across Disciplines will be as follows:

[&]quot;Global Qualification Competitions" means the 2007 World Championships in FWR and in SLR.

[&]quot;IF" means an International Federation.

[&]quot;IOC" means the International Olympic Committee.

[&]quot;OCOG" means the Organising Committee of the Olympic Games.

[&]quot;NF" means a National Federation.

[&]quot;NOC" means a National Olympic Committee.

[&]quot;Qualification" means the right of an Athlete to enter the Olympic Games such right being obtained at any of the Qualification Competitions in accordance with this Qualification System for any of the 12 FWR Events and/or of the 4 SLR Events.

[&]quot;Qualification Competitions" means and includes Global Qualification Competitions and Continental Qualification Competitions.

[&]quot;Quota" means and includes Athlete Quota Places and Boat Quota Places.

[&]quot;SLR" means the Discipline of Slalom Racing.

[&]quot;Sport" means the Sport of Canoe/Kayak.

[&]quot;TPC" means the Tripartite Commission comprised of IOC, ANOC and ICF.

TOTAL	FWR	SLR	TRIPARTITE INVITATION PLACES	TOTAL
Men	172	61		233
Women	74	21		95
Total Athletes	246	82	2	330

2.2 Boat Quota Places

(a) The minimum number of Boat Quota Places available for Qualification will be as follows:

Boat Quota Places	FWR	SLR
Total Men	102	49
Total Women	34	21
Total of Boats	136	70

2.3 Maximum Athlete and Boat Quota Places per NOC

(a) NOCs may qualify a maximum of 16 Boat Quota Places in all Events, with a maximum number of one Boat for each Event and a maximum of 28 Athlete Quota Places.

	FWR	SLR	TOTAL
Athlete Quota Places	23	5	28
Boat Quota Places	12	4	16
Number of Boats per Event	1	1	

(b) In accordance with the Olympic Charter the final entry for Athletes and Boats remains the responsibility of the NOC while Athlete and Boat Quota allocation remains the responsibility of ICF.

3. QUALIFICATION AND ALLOCATION SYSTEM

3.1 General Principles

3.1.1. Total Number of Athlete and Boat Quota Places

FWR

The number of Athlete and Boat Quota Places allocated by FWR Events in the Qualification Competitions will be as follows:

EVENTS	MINIMUM NUMBER OF	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF
LVENIS	BOAT QUOTA PLACES	ATHLETE QUOTA PLACES
MEN		
K1 1000M	14	14
K1 500M	14	14
K2 1000M	10	20
K2 500M	10	20
K4 1000M	10	40
C1 1000M	12	12
C1 500M	12	12
C2 1000M	10	20
C2 500M	10	20
TOTAL MEN	102	172

WOMEN		
K1 500M	14	14
K2 500M	10	20
K4 500M	10	40
TOTAL WOMEN	34	74
TOTAL (M+W)	136	246

SLR

The number of Athlete and Boat Quota Places allocated by SLR Events in the Qualification Competitions will be as follows:

EVENTS	MINIMUM NUMBER OF	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF		
EVENTS	BOAT QUOTA PLACES	ATHLETE QUOTA PLACES		
MEN				
K1	21	21		
C1	16	16		
C2	12	24		
TOTAL MEN	49	61		
WOMEN				
K1	21	21		
TOTAL WOMEN	21	21		
TOTAL (M+W)	70	82		

3.1.2 First Allocation of Athlete and Boat Quota Places

- (a) A minimum number of Boat Quota Places and a maximum number of Athlete Quota Places will be allocated to NOCs and not to Competitor(s).
- (b) ICF will allocate to NOCs their minimum number of Boat Quota Places and their maximum number of Athlete Quota Places in each Discipline and for each Category and Event for which they have qualified. Such Allocation will occur upon completion of all Qualification Competitions.

3.1.3 Athlete eligibility / participation

- (a) In order for an NOC to qualify a Boat Quota Place for the Olympic Games, each Competitor must be eligible to compete for their respective NF and NOC at the time of the particular Qualification Competition.
- (b) An Athlete's eligibility to participate in the Olympic Games is determined under Rule 41 of the Olympic Charter and relevant IOC Bye Laws.
- (c) A Competitor can obtain only one Athlete Quota Place for their NOC out of the 330 available places at a Qualification Competition, but may obtain more than one Boat Quota Place.
- (d) All Athletes accredited to the Olympic Games by their NOC must be present and compete in the Olympic Games unless exceptional circumstances prevent them from being present or competing. Such exceptional circumstances must be notified to, and approved by, the ICF Executive Committee.
- (e) It is compulsory to enter the Olympic Games with the obtained Boat Quota Places once approved by the respective NOC.

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- (f) The right to participate in the Olympic Games, in order to reach the 330 Olympic Athlete Quota Places, is determined by the:
 - (i) results at Qualification Competitions
 - (ii) Allocation of remaining Athlete Quota Places
 - (iii) Allocation for Host NOC Athlete Quota Places
 - (iv) Allocation of unused Athlete Quota Places
 - (v) TPC invitation Athlete Quota Places.
- (g) NOCs must participate in a Discipline at the Global Qualification Competitions to be eligible for Allocation of Boat and Athlete Quota Places for this Discipline by the achievement of results at the Global or the Continental Qualification Competitions.
- (h) Competitors who have qualified Athlete Quota Places in one Qualification Competition may participate in the other Qualification Competition, but each named Competitor may only achieve one Athlete Quota Place for their NOC.
- (i) Competitor(s) qualifying Boat Quota Place(s) for their NOC in the Global Qualification Competitions can qualify additional Boat Quota Place(s) in the Continental Qualification Competitions and vice-versa but can not increase the number of Athlete Quota Places of their NOC.

FWR

- (a) A Competitor may start in more than one Event.
- (b) An NOC may enter Athletes from qualified boat(s) in other non-qualified Event(s) of the same Category within the total number of its Athlete Quota Places in each Category.

SLR

- (a) An NOC may enter Athlete(s) for a qualified Event(s) in other non-qualified Event(s) within its total number of Athlete Quota Places if the NOC has participated in that particular event at the Global Qualification Competition.
- (b) Mixed boats from different gender: male and female will not be allowed.
- (c) Mixed boats from different male Category: KM and CM will be allowed.
- (d) Canoe Class is only for male participation.

3.1.4 Substitution system

- (a) It is not possible to enter an Athlete in the Olympic Games only as a substitute or reserve.
- (b) Generally, it is possible to make Athlete replacements only up to the time of the Team Leader Meeting for the relevant sport.
- (c) Substitution is only permitted in accordance with the IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy of the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games. In exceptional circumstances and strictly on a case–by-case basis IOC, after consultation with ICF, may permit permanent replacement of an Athlete after the deadline for submission of the final lists of Athletes to participate in the Olympic Games.

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(d) The NOC of a replacement Athlete must have applied for accreditation for such Athlete prior to the IOC application for accreditation deadline. Other conditions apply as mentioned in the IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy of the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games.

FWR

An Athlete may be a substitute in another Event in their Category as mentioned in the ICF Flatwater Racing Competition Rules.

SLR

A male Athlete may be a substitute in another male Event.

3.2 System in detail

3.2.1 Total number of Boat and Athlete Quota Places

Qualification may be achieved either at Global Qualification Competitions or at nominated Continental Qualification Competitions, in accordance with the following tables:

FWR

1 boat per NOC and per Event is eligible to compete at each Qualification Competition.

EVENTS	MINIMUM BOAT QUOTA PLACES FWR									
MEN	TOTAL	Global Continental C					ualification			
		2007 WCh	Total	Europe	America	Asia	Africa	Oceania		
K1 1000M	14	8	6	2	1	1	1	1		
K1 500M	14	8*	6	2	1	1	1	1		
K2 1000M	10	7/6	3/4	1/2	1	1				
K2 500M	10	7/6	3/4	1/2	1	1				
K4 1000M	10	7/6	3/4	1/2	1	1				
C1 1000M	12	6	6	2	1	1	1	1		
C1 500M	12	6*	6	2	1	1	1	1		
C2 1000M	10	7/6	3/4	1/2	1	1				
C2 500M	10	7/6	3/4	1/2	1	1				
TOTAL MEN	102	63/58	39/44	13/18	9	9	4	4		
WOMEN										
K1 500M	14	8*	6	2	1	1	1	1		
K2 500M	10	7/6	3/4	1/2	1	1				
K4 500M	10	7/6	3/4	1/2	1	1				
TOTAL WOMEN	34	22/20	12/14	4/6	3	3	1	1		
Boats	136	85/78	51/58	17/24	12	12	5	5		

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EVENTS	MAXIMUM ATHLETE QUOTA PLACES FWR								
MEN	TOTAL	Global Qualification		Contin	ental Qua	alifica	tion		
MEN	IOIAL	2007 WCh	Total	Europe	America	Asia	Afric a	Oceani a	
K1 1000M	14	8	6	2	1	1	1	1	
K1 500M	14	8*	6	2	1	1	1	1	
K2 1000M	20	14/12	6/8	2/4	2	2			
K2 500M	20	14/12	6/8	2/4	2	2			
K4 1000M	40	28/24	12/16	4/8	4	4			
C1 1000M	12	6	6	2	1	1	1	1	
C1 500M	12	6*	6	2	1	1	1	1	
C2 1000M	20	14/12	6/8	2/4	2	2			
C2 500M	20	14/12	6/8	2/4	2	2			
TOTAL MEN	172	112/100	60/72	20/32	16	16	4	4	
WOMEN									
K1 500M	14	8*	6	2	1	1	1	1	
K2 500M	20	14/12	6/8	2/4	2	2			
K4 500M	40	28/24	12/16	4/8	4	4			
TOTAL WOMEN	74	50/44	24/30	8/14	7	7	1	1	
Athletes	246	162/144	84/102	28/46	23	23	5	5	

^{*} Boat and Athlete Quota Places for the host NOC included.

SLR

3 boats per NOC and per Event are eligible to compete at each Qualification Competition.

	MINIMUM BOAT QUOTA PLACES SLR								
Events	TOTAL	Global Qualification		Continental Qualification					
		2007 WCh	Total Europe America Asia Africa Ocean						
K-1 Men	21	15*	6	2	1	1	1	1	
C-1 Men	16	10*	6	2	1	1	1	1	
C-2 Men	12	6*	6	2	1	1	1	1	
K-1 Women	21	15*	6	2	1	1	1	1	
TOTAL	70	46	24	8	4	4	4	4	

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	MAXIMUM ATHLETE QUOTA PLACES SLR							
Events	TOTAL	Global Qualification	Continental Qualification					
		2007 WCh	Total	Europe	America	Asia	Africa	Oceania
K-1 Men	21	15*	6	2	1	1	1	1
C-1 Men	16	10*	6	2	1	1	1	1
C-2 Men	24	12*	12	4	2	2	2	2
K-1 Women	21	15*	6	2	1	1	1	1
TOTAL	82	52	30	10	5	5	5	5

^{*} Boat and Athlete Quota Places for the host NOC included.

3.2.2 Global Qualification Competitions

- (a) At the Global Qualification Competitions, competitors will qualify Boat and Athlete Quota Places for their respective NOC based on their placing at the 2007 World Championships, as specified in the above tables.
- (b) If needed, Athlete and Boat Quota Places for the Host NOC will be taken from the Global Qualifications number of Athlete Quota places in each Event for SLR and in single boat Events for FWR as mentioned in the Host National Olympic Committee Qualification section below.

FWR

- (a) A special Qualification System will be used for Athlete Quota Places of Africa and Oceania in K2M 500m and 1000m, C2M 500m and 1000m, K4M 1000m and K2W 500m and K4W 500m.
- (b) The six best NOCs from any continent will qualify to the Olympic Games in the Global Qualification Competition in the listed Events.
- (c) In addition to the six best NOCs qualified above, which may include an NOC from Africa or Oceania, the <u>best</u> ranked NOC from Oceania or Africa in a listed Event will qualify to the Olympic Games in the Global Qualification Competition if that NOC finishes in 7th -14th place.
- (d) If no NOC from Africa or Oceania qualifies in 7th to 14th place at the Global Qualification Competition, the Athlete and Boat Quota Places will be given to the European Continental Qualification Competition.
- (e) This means that a minimum of six and a maximum of seven boats (NOCs) will be able to qualify in the Global Qualification Competition to the Olympic Games in the listed Events. A minimum of one and a maximum of two Boat Quota Places may be available for the European Continental Qualification Competition in the listed Events.

3.2.3 Continental Qualification Competitions

(a) At Continental Qualification Competitions, Competitors will qualify Boat and Athlete Quota Places for their respective NOCs based on their placing at the respective competition, as specified in the above tables. A NOC may increase the total number of the Athlete Quota Places in a class regarding the determinate number

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- Athlete Quota Places of each class presented in the "Maximum Athlete Quota Places FWR" table.
- (b) Continental Qualification Competitions will be held within an existing competition (Continental Championships or Continental Games) in each different continent: Europe, Africa, America, Asia and Oceania.
- (c) Venues and dates of Continental Qualification Competitions will be decided in cooperation with the respective Continental Association and communicated to NFs.
- (d) NOCs, which have already qualified a Boat Quota Place for one particular Event in the Global Qualification Competitions, are permitted to participate in the Continental Qualification Competitions in the same Event. Their result will be considered for new Athlete Quota Places Qualification purposes.
- (e) If Continental Qualification Competitions are held before the Global Qualification Competitions they must be held in the same year: 2007.

FWR

- (a) NOCs, which have already qualified an Athlete Quota Place and more than one Boat Quota Place within one Category in the Global Qualification Competition may qualify another Athlete Quota Place in this Category in the Continental Qualification Competition if a different individual Competitor obtains the qualifying result.
- (b) NOCs, which have already qualified two Boat Quota Places in the same Class (i.e. C2 500m and C2 1000m) in the Global Qualification Competition can qualify additional Athlete Quota Place(s) in this Class in the Continental Qualification Competitions if another individual Competitor or crew obtain the qualifying result.
- (c) NOCs which have not qualified any Boat Quota Place in one Class in the Global Qualification Competitions may qualify Athlete and Boat Quota Places in either the 500m or the 1000m Event in the K1M, K2M, C1 M and C2 Men Classes at the Continental Qualification Competitions. For example, if the same NOC qualifies in both K2M 500m and K2M 1000m Events, that NOC will qualify to the Olympic Games in the K2M 500m distance only; The remaining Boat and Athlete Quota Place Quota(s) will be allocated to the next unqualified NOC in the K2M 1000m.

3.2.4 TPC Invitation places

- (a) In addition to the 246 Athlete Quota Places for FWR and 82 Athlete Quota Places for SLR, two TPC Invitation Athlete Quota Places will be allocated in the Sport.
- (b) NOCs will have to submit their requests for TPC Invitation Athlete Quota Places before a set dead line.
- (c) The allocation of Invitation Athlete Quota Places will be notified, in writing, to NOCs by ICF.
- (d) Further information on Invitation Athlete Quota Places is contained in the Information Paper for NOCs distributed with the Qualification System manual.

3.2.5 Host NOC Qualification

(a) In order to ensure the participation of the host NOC this Qualification System provides Boat and Athlete Quota Places for the Host National Olympic Committee.

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- (b) The required Athlete Quota Place(s) will be taken from the Global Qualifications number of Athlete Quota places.
- (c) Athlete and Boat Quota Places will be allocated as follows:

	Number of places for the Host NOC					
Events	FWR		SLR			
	Boats Quota Places	Athletes Quota Places	Boats Quota Places	Athletes Quota Places		
K1 Men	1	1	1	1		
C1 Men	1	1	1	1		
K1 Women	1	1	1	1		
C2 Men			1	2		
TOTAL	3	3	4	5		

FWR

If the host NOC participates in the Global Qualification Competition, but is not able to qualify in a Category either at the Global Qualification Competition or at the Continental Qualification Competition, then the host NOC will be allocated one Athlete Quota Place for each Category the NOC participated in at Global Qualification Competition.

If required, the host nation places will be awarded in the following Events within each Category: K1M 500m, K1W 500m and C1M 500m.

SLR

If the host NOC participates in one or more of the four Events (K1M, K1W, C1M and C2M) in the Global Qualification Competition, but is not able to qualify in an Event at any of the Qualification Competitions, then they will be allocated Athlete Quota Places for each Event (K1M, K1W, C1M and C2M) they participated in at the Global Qualification Competitions but did not qualify.

3.3 Anti doping tests

In Qualification Competitions, the ICF Executive Committee determines the required number of anti doping tests that must be carried out by the organisers of those competitions at their expense.

4. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

From	То	Subject	Discipline
30-Jun-06		Location and site of Continental Qualification Competitions to be determined by ICF and communicated to NFs	Canoe/Kayak
8-Aug-07		Global Qualification Competition, Senior World Championships, Duisburg - GER	Flatwater Racing
19-Sep-07		Global Qualification Competition, Senior World Championships, Foz de Iguacu - BRA	Slalom Racing
1-Nov-07	5-Nov-07	Continental Qualification Competition – Africa Continental Championships Masinga Dam - KEN	Flatwater Racing

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1-Nov-07		Continental Qualification Competition – Africa Continental Championships Masinga Dam - KEN	Slalom Racing
15-No	ov-07	Deadline for the submission of requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places by all NOCs	Canoe / Kayak
12-Mar-08		Continental Qualification Competition – Oceania Continental Championships Penrith - AUS	Flatwater Racing
15-Mar-08		Continental Qualification Competition – Oceania Continental Championships Penrith - AUS	Slalom Racing
26-Apr-08		Continental Qualification Competition – America Continental Championships National Whitewater Center, Charlotte, North Carolina - USA	Slalom Racing
9-May-08		Continental Qualification Competition – Asia Continental Championships Komatsu - JPN	Flatwater Racing
9-May-08		Continental Qualification Competition – Europe Continental Championships Kracow - POL	Slalom Racing
15-May-08		Continental Qualification Competition – Europe Continental Championships Milano - ITA	Flatwater Racing
17-May-08		Continental Qualification Competition – America Continental Championships Montreal - CAN	Flatwater Racing
17-May-08	18-May-08	Continental Qualification Competition – Asia Continental Championships Nakorn Nayok province - THA	Slalom Racing
18-Ma	ay-08	Deadline for completion of Continental Qualification Competitions	Canoe / Kayak
2-Jun-08		ICF to confirm allocation of Athlete and Boat Quota Places to NOCs/NFs	Canoe / Kayak
16-Jun-08		Deadline for NOCs to confirm the number Athlete and Boat Quota Places they will enter	Canoe / Kayak
18-Jun-08	22-301-08	ICF to confirm Reallocation of Unused Athlete Quota Places to NOCs	Canoe / Kayak
April – J	uly 2008	The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of Invitation Places to the NOCs	Canoe / Kayak
23-Jul-06		Deadline for Beijing 2008 Organising Committee to receive entry forms submitted by NOCs	Canoe / Kayak
11-Aug-08	14-Aug-08	Olympic Games Canoe / Kayak Competitions	Slalom Racing
18-Aug-08	23-Aug-08	Olympic Games Canoe / Kayak Competitions	Flatwater Racing

5. DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF PLACES

- 3.2.6 ICF will inform each NOC and NF of the minimum number of Boat Quota Places and maximum number of Athlete Quota Places in each Discipline and for each Category and Events in which they have qualified for entry to the Olympic Games immediately after completion of both Qualification Competitions.
- 3.2.7 NOCs must inform ICF in writing about the number of Athlete Quota Places it accepts and in which Events they will enter Athletes.

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- 3.2.8 ICF will confirm to NOCs in writing the re-Allocation and the Allocation of any unused or unused re-Allocated Athlete Quota Places.
- 3.2.9 If for any reason an Athlete entered in the Olympic Games is not able to participate the Athlete's NOC must immediately inform ICF in writing.

6. SECOND ALLOCATION OF REMAINING ATHLETE QUOTA PLACES

- 3.2.10 If the number of Athlete Quota Places allocated at the Global Qualification Competitions and the Continental Qualification Competitions does not reach the maximum number of Athlete Quota Places, because a Competitor(s) has gained Athlete Quota Places in more than one Event, then the Athlete Quota Place(s) available will be called "Remaining Athlete Quota Places" and will be allocated by ICF to NOCs at the same time as the first Allocation. See below.
- 3.2.11 If the number of Athlete Quota Places first allocated to NOCs according to the minimum number of Boat Quota Places together with the Tripartite Invitation Places does not reach the number of 246 in FWR and/or 82 in SLR, the second Allocation of the Remaining Athlete Quota Places will be placed under the supervision of the ICF Executive Committee who will decide these second Allocations on the recommendation of the ICF Secretary General and the FWR and SLR Committee Chairmen.

FWR

- (a) The Allocation of the Remaining Athlete Quota Places must allow ICF to preserve the minimum number of Boat Quota Places per Event.
- (b) The Allocation of the Remaining Athlete Quota Places must allow ICF to obtain the maximum number of Athletes Quota Places per Event.
- (c) If one Athlete qualifies in two different distances in the same Class (i.e K1 500 and 1000m or C2 500 and 1000m) or if one Athlete qualifies in a single boat and is a crewmember in another qualified boat (i.e K1 500 and K4 1000m or C1 500 and C2 1000m), the Remaining Athlete Quota Place(s) will be allocated as follows.
- (d) The Allocation of any Remaining Athletes Quota Places will be made after the Qualification Competitions according to the result of the next best ranked unqualified NOC in the same Class in the Continental Qualification Competitions by using the following system:
 - (i) The table 'Maximum Athlete Quota Places FWR" determines the Athlete Quota places available in each Class.
 - (ii) The Remaining Athlete Quota Places will be allocated taking the difference between the Maximum Athlete Quota Places and the qualified Athlete Quota Place numbers.
 - (iii) The above Remaining Athlete Quota Places will be allocated separately for each Class.
 - (iv) The Allocation of Remaining Athlete Quota Places is based on the rankings of the particular Event where remaining Quotas are available from the Continental Qualification Competitions in which the NF of the repeating Athlete(s) competes.
 - (v) When the repetition occurs in the same Class but over different distances the Remaining Athlete Quota Places shall be distributed in that

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same Class. If the available Athlete Quota Places is an odd number, the remaining Athlete Quota Places from the single Event will be used.

- (vi) Considering the same Class but different distances the ranking of the 500m Events shall have preference over the ranking of the 1000m Events. This means that the first remaining Quota will be given to the Athlete(s) of the next boat in line on the 500m ranking and the second Quota will go to the Athlete(s) of the next boat in line on the 1000m ranking. Additional Remaining Quotas will be distributed following this alternating pattern as a guiding principle.
- (vii) When the repetition occurs in different Classes the Remaining Athlete Quota Places shall be given to the class that includes fewer Athletes. This means that K1s will have preference over K2s and K4s; C1s over C2s and K2s will be favoured against K4s.
- (viii) If a Remaining Athlete Quota Place cannot be allocated to the next unqualified NOC because there is no other available NOC who may receive a Quota to the Olympic Games the Quota(s) will be re-allocated as an Unused Athlete Quota Place.

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In each Event, the allocation of the Remaining Athlete Quota Places will be made according to the final NOC ranking at the Continental Qualification Competitions to the next best ranked NOC of the related continent and in the same Event only if the NOC has participated at the Global Qualification Competition in that Event. If only one Athlete Quota Place is available from a C2M then the best-unqualified NOC in C1M from the same continent will receive an Athlete Quota Place.

7. RE-ALLOCATION OF THE UNUSED ATHLETE QUOTA PLACES

- (a) If an NOC does not enter one of its qualified Athlete Quota Places in the Olympic Games this Quota is renamed "Unused Athlete Quota Places".
- (b) Re-allocation of Unused Athlete Quota Places will be determined by the ICF Executive Committee who would decide re-allocations on the recommendation of the ICF Secretary General and the FWR and SLR Committee Chairmen.
- (c) Re-allocation of Unused Athlete Quota Places must allow ICF to preserve the minimum number of Boat Quota Places per Event.
- (d) Re-allocation of Unused Athlete Quota Places must be based on the NOC ranking in each Event at the Continental Qualification Competitions.
- (e) No NOC should receive more than three Unused Athlete Quota Places during Reallocation.

8. RE-ALLOCATION OF THE UNUSED RE-ALLOCATED ATHLETE QUOTA PLACES

If an NOC does not use the offered Re-allocated Unused Athlete Quota Places the Re-allocation of those Unused Re-allocated Unused Athlete Quota Places will be determined by the ICF Executive Committee who will decide these new re-allocations on the recommendation of the ICF Secretary General and the FWR and SLR Committee Chairmen. The ICF Executive Committee's determinations will be guided by the following:

(a) NOCs which have participated in the Global Qualification Competitions but which did not qualify an Athlete Quota Place for the Olympic Games will be identified in order to preserve universality in participation and continental development.

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- (b) The ICF Executive Committee, in the context of universality and female participation, will analyse NOCs requesting TPC Invitation Places.
- (c) Unused Re-allocated Athlete Quota Places will be awarded first to NOCs for women's single boats and then to Canoe Classes.
- (d) No NOC should receive more than one Athlete Quota Place during this reallocation.

9. EXECUTION AND CONTROL OF THIS QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

- (a) Any NF and/or NOC that does not conform to the rules set out in this Qualification System document will be reported to the NOC and IOC respectively.
- (b) Any NF that does not comply with the rules set out in this Qualification System document may be subject to ICF disciplinary action.
- (c) Any matter different to or not included in this Qualification System is subject to the Olympic Charter and consideration and determination of the ICF Executive Committee, which is final.

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