



FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE NATATION

Marathon Swimming

A. EVENTS (2)

Men's Event (1)	Women's Event (1)
10km Marathon Swimming	10km Marathon Swimming

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Marathon Swimming:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Total
Men	24	1	25
Women	24	1	25
Total	48	2	50

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC
Men	2
Women	2
Total	4

3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota place is allocated to the athlete(s) by name

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to, Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors). Only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Games.

Only the athletes who are eligible to participate at the official FINA competitions, in accordance with the [FINA Rules](#), are entitled to participate in the Olympic Games.



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D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

QUALIFICATION PLACES

The qualification events are listed in hierarchical order of qualification.

MEN / WOMEN

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Events
20 Marathon Swimmers (10 Men & 10 Women)	2015 FINA World Championships The ten (10) best ranked athletes from the 10km event will directly qualify.
18 Marathon Swimmers (9 Men & 9 Women)	FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier 2016 The nine (9) best ranked athletes will directly qualify. Only NOCs/NFs that have no swimmer qualified through the 2015 FINA World Championships may elect to send a maximum of two (2) athletes per event to the FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier 2016. Each NOC/NF can qualify a maximum of one (1) athlete per gender.
10 Marathon Swimmers (5 Men & 5 Women)	Continental Representation The best ranked athlete in the FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier 2016, not yet qualified, from each of five (5) Continents will directly qualify. Should an NOC/NF have previously qualified one (1) or two (2) swimmers, the next best ranked athlete from the same continent, not yet qualified, in the ranking of the FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier 2016 event will qualify to ensure that each of these competitions yields a competitor.

HOST COUNTRY PLACES

One (1) male and one (1) female marathon swimmer from the Host Country if not previously qualified, will directly qualify.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

Following each qualification event, FINA will publish the results on its website (www.fina.org) and inform the respective NOCs of their qualified swimmers. The NOCs will then have two (2) weeks to confirm if they wish to enter these swimmers, as detailed in paragraph **H. Qualification Timeline**.



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F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

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If the athlete's participation is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of places deadline or is declined by the NOC, the place will be reallocated to the next best ranked athlete from the FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier 2016, not yet qualified.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Unused Host Country place(s) will be reallocated to the next best ranked athlete in the same gender from the FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier 2016, not yet qualified.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone
24 July – 09 August 2015	16 th FINA World Championships – Kazan
End August 2015 (TBC)	FINA to inform NOCs/NFs of their qualified swimmers
2 weeks later (TBC)	NOCs to confirm participation of qualified swimmers to FINA
May 2016 (TBC.)	FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier 2016
After Qualification Event (TBC)	FINA to inform NOCs/NFs of their qualified swimmers
2 weeks later (TBC)	NOCs to confirm participation of their qualified swimmers to FINA
TBC	FINA to reallocate all unused places
18 July 2016	Rio 2016 Sport Entries deadline