UNION CYCLISTE INTERNATIONALE

Road Cycling

A. Events (4)

MEN'S EVENTS (2)	WOMEN'S EVENTS (2)
Mass start Time trial	Mass start Time trial

B. Quota

	QUALIFICATION
Men	145
Women	67
TOTAL	**212**

Quota by nation

	QUOTA PER NOC BY UCI RANKING (INCLUDES THE 2 MAXIMUM PLACES FOR THE TIME TRIAL EVENTS)	QUOTA PER NOC BY ANOTHER CRITERIA
Men	5	1
Women	4	1
TOTAL	**9**	**2**

C. Athlete Eligibility

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY
All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force and only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Games. All the qualified athletes whose participation in one of the cycling disciplines is confirmed will have the right to be entered in other cycling events provided that the limits for participation per NOC and per event are respected.

D. Qualification System

QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

Each athlete who meets the selection criteria in an individual event qualifies his/her NOC for a place in this event. A place earned like this is not nominative and will be awarded to the athlete of the NOC's choice.

MASS START PLACES

System in detail:

MEN

CRITERION N° 1: UCI FINAL RANKING BY NATION 2011, IN ORDER OF THE FOLLOWING TOURS:

*UCI world ranking (1, 3 and 4)**

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 10 (5 and 6)*	5	50
	Ranked 11 to 15 (5 and 6)*	4	20
Sub-total			**70**

*UCI Africa Tour (1 and 2)**

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 (5 and 6)*	3	3
	Ranked 2 (5 and 6)*	2	2
Sub-total			**5**

*UCI America Tour (1 and 2)**

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 3 (5 and 6)*	3	9
	Ranked 4 to 6 (5 and 6)*	2	6
Sub-total			**15**

*UCI Asia Tour (1 and 2)**

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 (5 and 6)*	3	3
	Ranked 2 to 4 (5 and 6)*	2	6
Sub-total			**9**

*UCI Europe Tour (1 and 2)**

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 6 (5 and 6)*	3	18
	Ranked 7 to 16 (5 and 6)*	2	20
Sub-total			**38**

*UCI Oceania Tour (1 and 2)**

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 (5 and 6)*	2	2
Sub-total			**2**

Sub-total in accordance with criterion n°1	**139**

* See special provisions.

*CRITERION N° 2: RANKINGS FOR THE 2011 CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (7)**

2011 African Continental Championships (10)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 2* (8 and 9)	1	2

2011 American Continental Championships (10)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 2* (8 and 9)	1	2

2011 Asian Continental Championships (10)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 2* (8 and 9)	1	2

Sub-total in accordance with criterion n°2	**6**

*See special provisions.

OVERALL TOTAL MEN'S MASS START EVENT	**145**

WOMEN

CRITERION N° 1: UCI RANKING BY NATIONS OF 31.05.2012

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 5 (5 and 6)*	4	20
	Ranked 6 to 13 (5 and 6)*	3	24
	Ranked 14 to 23 (5 and 6)*	2	20
Sub-total in accordance with criterion n°1			**64**

*See special provisions.

*CRITERION N° 2: RANKING OF THE LAST CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS BEFORE 31.05.2012 (7)**

African Continental Championships (10)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1* (8)	1	1

American Continental Championships (10)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1* (8)	1	1

Asian Continental Championships (10)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1* (8)	1	1

Sub-total in accordance with criterion n°2	**3**

OVERALL TOTAL WOMEN'S MASS START	**67**

OVERALL TOTAL ROAD	**212**

TIME TRIAL EVENT PLACES

The time trial event places are included in the total quota of cycling disciplines. Only the riders entered in the mass start event may take part in the individual time trial race. In the event of *force majeure* (fall, illness, etc.), the athletes from other cycling disciplines will be accepted for the individual time trial.

MEN

Participation CRITERION

A – According to the 2011 final ranking by nation of the following tours (2)*:	Ranking by nation	Number of riders per NOC	Total number
Specific TT world ranking (11)*	Ranked 1 to 15	1	15
Africa Tour	Ranked 1	1	1
America Tour	Ranked 1 to 4	1	4
Asia Tour	Ranked 1 to 2	1	2
Europe Tour	Ranked 1 to 7	1	7
Oceania Tour	Ranked 1	1	1
B – According to 2011 World Championships	**Individual ranking**		
Individual elite time trial event	1 to 10 (9)*	1	10
Total TT			**40**

*See special provisions.

WOMEN

Participation CRITERION

A – According to UCI ranking by nation of 31.05.2012	**Ranking by nation**	**Number of riders per NOC**	**Total number**
World tour by nation	1 to 15	1	15
B – According to 2011 World Championships	**Individual ranking**		
Individual elite time trial event	1 to 10 (9)*	1	10
Total TT			**25**

*See special provisions

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

1) An NOC may not have more qualified riders than it has riders ranked in the individual ranking of the tour concerned.

2) An NOC already qualified (according to criterion no. 1) or having obtained one place for the Time Trial event (according to participation criterion A) through the world ranking cannot be taken into account to obtain places in the other tours. Therefore, the remaining ranked nations will be taken into consideration in accordance with the respective rank of the UCI Africa Tour, UCI America Tour, UCI Asia Tour, UCI Europe Tour and the UCI Oceania Tour.

3) An NOC not reaching its athlete quota through the World Calendar rankings (special provision no. 1) may obtain places up to the number of places it was unable to obtain in its respective tour – the UCI Africa Tour, UCI America Tour, UCI Asia Tour, UCI Europe Tour and the UCI Oceania Tour (special provision no. 2) – but must not, however, exceed the athlete quota obtained in the world ranking.

4) An NOC that has not obtained its athlete quota through the World Calendar rankings, despite applying special provision n°3, will have its remaining athlete quota allocated:

   4.1 to the NOCs qualified through the world ranking whose quota has been reduced in accordance with special provision n°5 in the order of the ranking;

   4.2 to Tripartite Commission Places.

5) Any NOC <u>which is not qualified according to criterion n°1</u> will receive a place according to the following conditions:

MEN

- **UCI World Calendar:** Each NOC with an athlete in the 2011 final individual world ranking will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified according to criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the UCI World Calendar 2011 final ranking by nation, in order to respect the total maximum number of 139 athletes.
- **UCI Africa Tour:** Each African NOC with an athlete in the top five in the 2011 final individual ranking of the Africa Tour will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified according to criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the 2011 final ranking by nation for the Africa Tour, in order to respect the total maximum number of 139 athletes.
- **UCI America Tour:** Each American NOC with an athlete in the top 20 in the 2011 final individual ranking 2011 of the America Tour will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified according to criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the 2011 final ranking by nation for the America Tour, in order to respect the total maximum number of 139 athletes.
- **UCI Asia Tour:** Each Asian NOC with an athlete ranked in the top 10 of the 2011 final individual ranking of the Asia Tour will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified according to criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the 2011 final ranking by nation for the Asia Tour, in order to respect the total maximum number of 139 athletes.

- **UCI Europe Tour**: Each European NOC with an athlete in the top 200 of the 2011 final individual ranking of the Europe Tour will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified according to criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the 2011 final ranking by nation for the Europe Tour, in order to respect the total maximum number of 139 athletes.
- **UCI Oceania Tour**: Each Oceanian NOC with an athlete in the top three in the 2011 final individual ranking of the Oceania Tour will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified according to criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the 2011 final ranking by nation for the Oceania Tour, in order to respect the total maximum number of 139 athletes.

WOMEN

- Each NOC with an athlete among the first 100 in the UCI world individual ranking of 31.05.2012 will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified in accordance with criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the UCI world ranking of 31.05.2012, in order to respect the total maximum number of 64 athletes.

6) If the number of NOCs qualified according to the individual ranking (special provision n°5) by tour exceeds the number of NOCs qualified on the same tour according to criterion n°1, the number of countries qualified according to the individual ranking will be decided in the order of the ranking of the number of nations qualified according to criterion n° 1.

7) The NOCs qualified through a criterion other than the UCI ranking may have a maximum of only one rider - the NOC whose rider is ranked in the next place will qualify.

8) If, among the riders occupying the qualification places, there are athletes representing an NOC already qualified according to criterion n°1, it is the NOC whose rider who is ranked in the next place in the competition concerned who will benefit from the right to participate.

9) If, among the first 10 riders, there is more than one rider from the same NOC, we take into consideration the rider(s) of the following NOC(s) to reach the total number of 40 athletes (25 for women).

10) The places not allocated by criterion 2 are re-allocated to the Tripartite Commission Places.

11) By default, the world ranking by nation will be taken into account.

TRIPARTITE COMMISSION PLACES

Eligible NOCs may request invitations from the Tripartite Commission. However, none will be directly allocated in the quota for Road Cycling. If the commission receives any requests from NOCs for invitations which meet the criteria which have been set, these may be filled with places not used by the NOCs. This procedure shall be done in accordance with the steps defined in Section F of this qualification system.

On 1 November 2011, the International Olympic Committee will contact all those NOCs who are eligible to apply for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places.

The deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places is 16 January 2012. In relation to the end of the qualification period, the Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the respective NOCs between 1 May and 9 July 2012.

Detailed information on Tripartite Invitation places is contained in the – Tripartite Commission Invitation Places - Information Paper for NOCs – which is included in the Games of the XXX Olympiad, London 2012 Qualification and Participation Criteria.

E. Confirmation process for quota places

CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES
By 1 November 2011 (for men) and by 6 June 2012 (for women), the UCI will confirm the number of quota places obtained to each NOC/national federation concerned. Each NOC/national federation will have until 17 November 2011 (for men) and 15 June 2012 (for women) to confirm to the UCI whether it will be using these quota places. After this date, any vacant place (subsequent to any place(s) being given up by the NOC/national federation) will be allocated by the UCI between March and April 2012 (for men) and on 7 July 2012 (for women) as Tripartite Commission Invitations, then as reserve places.

F. Reallocation of unused quota places

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED IF QUOTA PLACES
Any used IF quota place(s) within the reserved quota will be reallocated by the Tripartite Commission.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED TRIPARTITE COMMISSION PLACES
If the Tripartite Commission is not able to reallocate all of the places, they will be allocated using the process outlined below: **<u>Reserves Places</u>** **Men** - If the vacant place comes from an NOC qualified through the individual rankings of the continental tours or the World Calendar, this place will be allocated as a priority to the nation qualified through the ranking by nation, which had their quota reduced through this provision. - If a rider ranked in the top 10 in the elite time trial event of the 2011 World Championships represents an NOC that has not qualified for the road events, this NOC will receive a reserve place. - Additional reserve places are then allocated in the order of the ranking by nation of the various tours of 15.10.2011, with one place per nation not yet qualified. These places are allocated as a priority to the continents that have not used their place. **Women** - If the vacant place comes from an NOC qualified through the individual rankings of the continental tours or the World Calendar, this place will be allocated as a priority to the nation qualified through the ranking by nation, which had their quota reduced through this provision (in the order of the ranking). - If a rider ranked in the top 10 in the elite time trial event of the 2011 World Championships represents an NOC that has not qualified for the road events, this NOC will receive a reserve place. - Additional reserve places are then allocated in the order of ranking by nations of 31.05.2012, with one place per nation not yet qualified.

G. Qualification timeline

DATE	MILESTONE
14 November 2010	Continental Championships for Africa - men's qualification (RWA)
20 February 2011	Continental Championships for Asia - men's qualification (THA)
8 May 2011	Continental Championships for America - men's qualification (COL)
16 October 2011	Establishment of the UCI world ranking, UCI Africa Tour, UCI America Tour, UCI Asia Tour, UCI Europe Tour and UCI Oceania Tour rankings
1 November 2011	• Deadline by which the UCI must confirm to the NOCs the number of men's quota places obtained • IOC will contact all NOCs who are eligible to apply for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places
17 November 2011	Deadline by which the NOCs have to confirm the use of men's quota places obtained
2012 - dates TBC	Continental Championships - women's qualification (locations TBC)
16 January 2012	Deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places
March – April 2012	Reallocation of unused men's quota places
1 May – 9 July 2012	The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of Invitation Places to the NOCs
1 June 2012	• Establishment of the women's elite ranking • Deadline by which the UCI must confirm to the NOCs the number of women's quota places obtained
15 June 2012	Deadline by which the NOCs must confirm the use of the women's quota places obtained
7 July 2012	Reallocation of unused women's quota places
9 July 2012	Deadline for London 2012 Organising Committee to receive entry forms