



**ITU Triathlon Continental Cup 2009  
QUALIFICATION CRITERIA**

**1. ELITE:**

**1.1. ITU Triathlon Continental Cup events:**

- a) The National Federations must enter the athletes into the wait list via the ITU online entry system no fewer than 30 days before the first competition day.
- b) 30 days before the first competition day, the start list for both the men's and women's will be published on [www.competitions.com](http://www.competitions.com) adding athletes from the waitlist in the following order:
  - Athletes with the most points from the current ITU Points List.
  - Athletes with the best ranking from the current ITU Continental Ranking (the continent where the event is held), excluding those already on the start list.
  - The remaining athletes on the wait list will be ordered by their position on the current ITU Points List.
  - Athletes on the wait list not present on the current ITU Points List will be ordered by their position on the current ITU Continental Ranking (the continent where the event is held).
  - Athletes on the wait list not present on the current ITU Points List and not present on the current ITU Continental Ranking (the continent where the event is held) will be ordered at the bottom of the wait list according to the time of their entry.
- c) National Federation quota in each of the men's and women's event:
  - Maximum per National Federation is 15 athletes.
  - Maximum per host National Federation is 20 athletes.
  - Maximum per National Federation and host National Federation may be increased if by step 1.1. b) (2nd bullet) the number of athletes on the start list is lower than 70.
- d) Late Entries: If there were free spots on the start list, entries received from National Federations with athletes ranked in the ITU Points List or in the Continental Rankings (the continent where the event is held) between 30 and 21 days before the first competition day, they will be accepted in the start list. Athletes on the wait list not present on the current ITU Points List and not present on the current ITU Continental Ranking (the continent where the event is held) will be ordered at the bottom of the wait list according to the time of their entry.
- e) Invitations: 25 days before the first competition day, ITU will award invitations based on the requests received and they will be put on the start list. National Federation quota may be increased by awarding invitations.
- f) Roll-down: 21 days before the first competition day, if there are still spots free in the start list, the athletes on the wait list not present on the current ITU Points List and not present on the current ITU Continental Ranking (the continent where the event is held), will be moved to the start list till it's full, according to the following criteria:
  - First athlete per nation, starting with the host National Federation, and followed by the National Federations in alphabetical order,
  - Second athlete per nation, starting with the host National Federation, and followed by the National Federations in alphabetical order,
  - Third athlete per nation, starting with the host National Federation, and followed by the National Federations in alphabetical order,
  - Continue with the same principles.



- g) Substitutions: Each National Federation will be allowed to substitute athletes without limitation. The names of both athletes involved in the substitution must be emailed to [entries@triathlon.org](mailto:entries@triathlon.org).
- h) Withdrawals: Athlete who is withdrawn from the start list will be replaced by the next athlete on the wait list.
- i) National Federations withdrawing athlete from the start list within 7 days of the first competition day, the athlete will be removed from all start lists and wait lists of any ITU events for the next 30 days and will not be reinstated in any of the races on the same weekend as the race from which they were withdrawn.
- j) Athlete not personally present at the Athletes' Briefing and who have not provided prior notification to the Technical Delegate will be removed from all start lists and wait lists of any ITU events for the next 30 days and will not be reinstated in any of the races on the same weekend as the race from which they were withdrawn.
- k) Athlete present at the Athletes' Briefing but are forced to withdraw from the competition due to last minute illness or injury, as proven by a certificate from a medical doctor, will remain on future start lists and wait lists of all ITU events.