

## **ITU Triathlon World Cup QUALIFICATION CRITERIA**

### **1. ITU TRIATHLON WORLD CUP EVENTS**

- a) The National Federations must enter the athletes into the wait list via the ITU online entry system no less than 33 days before the first competition day.
- b) 32 days before the first competition day, the men's and women's start lists containing up to 70 athletes, will be published on [www.triathlon.org](http://www.triathlon.org) and adds athletes from the waitlist in the following order:
  - (i) The athletes with the most points from the current ITU Points List.
  - (ii) The rest of the athletes sorted according to the entry time.
  - (iii) The athletes exceeding 70 will remain on the wait list, in the same order indicated in (i) and (ii) above.
- c) National Federation quota in each of the men's and women's event:
  - (i) Maximum per National Federation is 6 athletes.
  - (ii) Maximum per host National Federation is 8 athletes.
  - (iii) Maximum per National Federation and host National Federation may be increased by a maximum of 4 quota places if by step 1.1. c) (2nd ballot), or later the number of athletes on the start list is lower than 70.
- d) Late Entries: Entries received 32 or fewer days before the first competition day will be placed at the bottom of the wait list at the time the National Federation entered the athlete into the ITU online entry system.
- e) Substitutions: Each National Federation will be allowed to substitute 2 athletes per gender per event. The names of the athletes involved in the substitution must be emailed to [entries@triathlon.org](mailto:entries@triathlon.org). If the substitute athlete is ranked higher than the worse ranked athlete qualified for the start list, this substitution doesn't affect the quota of substitution.
- f) Withdrawals: An athlete who is withdrawn from the start list will be replaced by the next athlete on the wait list. According to the rule 2.6.c) (iii) Athletes not attending the briefing, without informing the TD about their absence, will be removed from the start list. In this case, athletes from the wait list who attended the briefing will be called to fill the empty spots. Athletes present in the race briefing and still remaining on the wait list must stay nearby and in close contact in order to take the place of any upcoming withdrawals.
- g) Invitations: 26 days before the first competition day, ITU invitation panel will award invitations based on the requests emailed by respective National Federations to [entries@triathlon.org](mailto:entries@triathlon.org) and they will be put on the start list. The National Federation quota may be increased by a maximum of 2 more by awarding invitations.
  - (i) ITU Invitation Panel is composed by
    - ITU Secretary General
    - A representative of ITU Sport Department
    - A representative of ITU Development

- h) National Federations withdrawing an athlete from the start list after the Monday at 13:00 GMT prior to the event, the athlete will be removed from all start lists and wait lists of all 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.
- i) Athletes not personally present at the Athletes' Briefing and who have not provided prior notification to the Technical Delegate by email or by phone will be removed from all start lists and wait lists of all 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. A number of unexpected withdrawals without being penalized because last minute issues are fixed. This number depends on the number of participations of each NF the previous year, as follows.

| Number of late withdrawals not penalized (*) | Nations for 2013 (*)         |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 6                                            | AUS, GBR, GER, JPN, RUS, USA |
| 5                                            | ESP, NZL                     |
| 3                                            | CAN, FRA, POR, RSA, SUI      |
| 2                                            | All the others               |

(\*) *This includes men and women events in all WTS events, the Grand Final and World Cup events.*

- j) Athletes 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.