

2018 World Cup Series

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

For the purpose of the qualification system and related documents, the terms 'sailor' and 'competitor' have the same meaning. The World Sailing Technical Delegate may modify this qualification system.

1. General

- 1.1 The 2018 World Cup Series will consist of three Rounds for all 10 Olympic Events plus, when possible, Paralympic Events and Kiteboarding, in which case the qualification system will be published separately. The WC Series will culminate with a Final.

Event	Dates
Round 1: Gamagori, Japan	15 to 22 Oct 2017
Round 2: Miami, USA	21 to 28 Jan 2018
Round 3: Hyères, France	22 to 29 April 2018
2018 World Cup Final: Kiel, Germany (TBC)	(TBC)

- 1.2 When an invitation is issued using the WS Ranking, it will be based on the most recent ranking release.
- 1.3 After the WS ranking is released, sailors have 5 days to report an administrative mistake in the ranking list. Invitations will be issued based on the ranking list at the expiry of this period.
- 1.4 Invitations will be issued to attend the entire Series.
- 1.5 If a sailor accepts an invitation for the Series and then fails to attend or withdraws from one of the rounds without written approval, World Sailing will revoke the invitation for the entire Series.

2. Quotas and Allocation of Places

The quotas for each Round, the Final and the places to be allocated through the WS Ranking and through the qualifications regattas are shown in table below.

Event	Round Quota	Ranking	Princess Sofia	Delta Lloyd	Final Quota
Men's Windsurfer: RSX	45	27	11	7	20
Women's Windsurfer: RSX	40	24	10	6	20
Men's One Person Dinghy: Laser	60	36	14	10	25
Women's One Person Dinghy: Laser Radial	60	36	14	10	25
Men's One Person Dinghy (Heavyweight): Finn	40	24	10	6	20
Men's Two Person Dinghy: 470	35	21	9	5	20
Women's Two Person Dinghy: 470	30	18	8	4	20
Men's Skiff: 49er	30	18	8	4	20
Women's Skiff: 49erFX	30	18	8	4	20

Mixed Two Person Multihull: Nacra 17	30	18	8	4	20
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3. Qualification through World Sailing Rankings

Invitations for the places allocated by ranking will be sent on 30 April 2017.

4. Qualification through World Cup Qualification Regattas

4.1 The WC Qualification Regattas will be as follows:

1. Princess Sofia Trophy: Mallorca, Spain from 24 March to 1 April 2017.
2. Delta Lloyd Regatta: Medemblik, The Netherlands from 23 to 27 May 2017.

4.2 Sailors at a Qualification Regatta wishing to be invited to the World Cup Series shall meet the following eligibility requirements:

- 4.2.1 Sailors shall comply with the nationality criteria stated in the World Cup NoR/SI 3.8; and
- 4.2.2 For 2-person boats, the sailors who qualify together shall be the sailors who will be invited. Those sailors shall register and compete together at the World Cup Series.

4.3 Eligible sailors will qualify based on finishing position at the Qualification Regatta. If a sailor who has qualified declines the invitation, then the invitation will pass to the highest placed finisher not yet qualified.

4.4 No new invitations will be issued within five days of the first racing day of Round 1 Gamagori.

5. Entries for individual Rounds

5.1 If after sending the invitations as described in paragraph 3 and 4, there are still quota places available in a specific Event, World Sailing will announce that entry in that Event is open to all and no longer subject to the qualification system.

5.2 Places available will be offered for individual rounds of the Series only.

5.3 Sailors wishing to attend one of the Rounds shall request an invitation using the following link:

<http://www.sailing.org/worldcup/sailorinfo/41168.php>

5.4 Invitations will be sent at 12:00 UTC on the following dates:

- a) For the World Cup Round 1 Gamagori: Monday 3 July 2017
- b) For the World Cup Round 2 Miami: Monday 2 October 2017
- c) For the World Cup Round 3 Hyères: Monday 5 February 2018

5.5 Should the number of requests exceed the number of places available for each event, a priority list based on the World Sailing Ranking will be created to allocate the remaining quota places. The invitation must be accepted and the entry fee paid within 72 hours of receipt.

6. Qualification for the 2018 World Cup Final

6.1 Winners of each Event at the WC Rounds will qualify for the WC Final.

6.2 Winners of each Event at the 2017 WC Final Santander will qualify to the Final.

6.3. For the remaining places:

6.3.1 A boat shall be scored points for each round of the WC Series as follows:

<u>Overall Position</u>	<u>Points</u>
First	1
Second	2
Third	3
Fourth	4
And so on	

6.3.2 Each boat's Series score shall be the total of her rounds scores.

6.3.3 If there is a tie series-score between two or more boats, they shall be ranked in order of their scores in the last round of the Series.

6.3.4 Qualification to the WC Final will be based on lowest series score at the WC Series.

6.4 If there are still quota places available in an Event, a priority list based on the World Sailing Ranking will be used to allocate the remaining places.