

# **Team Ireland Paris 2024**

# OLYMPIC QUALIFICATION DOCUMENT

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# **TEAM IRELAND PARIS 2024**

The qualification process for Team Ireland athletes targeting Paris 2024 is underway, with some athletes already on the points-ranking journey, while others are preparing for qualifying events. 2023 could see up to 40% of sport quota spots confirmed, with many more chasing points, times, and qualification spots right into late June 2024.

This document is intended to provide guidance for planning and research only and signals qualification tracking of quota spots. In most instances, there will be a delay between a quota spot being secured or a time/points achieved, and the athlete is selected. This is due to the fact that the Olympic Federation of Ireland needs to be offered a spot by the IOC/International Federation before the next step of nominating or selecting an athlete can happen. For this reason, while it may be apparent that an athlete/sport has achieved an Olympic berth, the official confirmation can be delayed.

#### SELECTION PROCESS FOR TEAM IRELAND

Once a quota spot has been confirmed by the International Federation or IOC, the Team Ireland nomination and selection process runs as follows:

- 1. The sport or athlete meets the qualifying standards set by the IOC.
- 2. The sport or athlete meets the qualifying standard set out by the National Federation.
- 3. The National Federation nominates athletes for participation in the Olympic Games.
- 4. The Olympic Federation of Ireland selects athletes based on a review of the nominations by National Federations.
- 5. The athletes are informed of their selection.
- 6. The Olympic Federation of Ireland announces them on the team.
- 7. Note that on occasion the team announcement of the athlete is held back to coincide with the announcement of other athletes/sports. This will be documented below throughout the qualification journey.

The qualification process for sports started in 2022 for some sports and continues until June 2024 for some sports.

In many sports qualification for a slot does not guarantee the automatic selection of the athlete who qualified the slot.

The Olympic Federation of Ireland will not officially confirm the selection of athletes until the selection process has been followed.

#### SUMMARY OF QUALIFIED QUOTA SPOTS TO DATE – 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023

- 60 Athlete spots:
- (3) Equestrian Eventing Team (+ 1 travelling reserve)
- (3) Equestrian Show Jumping Team (+ 1 travelling reserve)
- (12) Rugby Sevens Women's Team (+ 1 travelling reserve)
- (12) Rugby Sevens Men's Team (+ 1 travelling reserve)
- (5) Boxers named positions
- (7) Athletics auto qualifying time achieved
- (3) Swimmers auto qualifying time achieved

(12) Rowers – boats qualified, athlete names tbc (Men/Women's Pair, Men/Women's Double, Men/Women's Lightweight Double)

- (1) Sailing boat qualified (Laser)
- (2) Canoe Slalom two boats qualified K1M, C1M

Upcoming qualifying opportunities this month:

• Gymnastics

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#### SPORT IN FOCUS

Over the coming pages we will look at each of the sports in more detail, including where possible, athletes that we are tracking, qualification status, key qualifying events.

We have also included some relevant information around the centenary celebrations, for example highlighting athletes who competed in the 1924 Games, or who have medalled in the sport in the past.

#### IRELAND AT 1924 PARIS OLYMPIC GAMES - OVERVIEW

Note that the first time that Ireland competed in the Olympic Games as a nation, was in 1924, a Games also held in Paris. That event was attended by a team of 48 athletes, 46 males and 2 females. While no medals were won on the field of play, Ireland was successful in the arts and literature events. This may be of particular interest to those travelling to Paris, as Team Ireland athletes will stay in the Irish Cultural Centre near the Pantheon after competition

#### Silver: Jack Yeats, Open Painting – The Liffey Swim

#### Bronze: Oliver St. John Gogarty, Open Literature - Ode to the Tailteann Games

Aquatics Waterpolo	Charles Barrett, James Beckett, James Brady, John Convery, Cecil Fagan, Charles Fagan, Norman Judd, John O'Connor, Michael O'Connor, Noel Purcell	
Arts	(Literature) Oliver St. John Gogarty, Brinsley MacNamara, Thomas Cornelius Murray, John J. Ryan (Painting) Jack Yeats, John Lavery, Seán Keating (Sculpturing) Oliver Sheppard	BRONZE Oliver St. John Gogarty <i>The</i> <i>Tailteann Games</i> SILVER Jack Yeats
Athletics	Bill Lowe (100m, 200m), Sean Lavan (200m, 400m), Norman McEachern (800m), J.P. Clarke (800m, 10000m), J.J. Ryan (5000m, 10000m, Cross country), Jim Kelly (3000m SC), Larry Stanley (High Jump), Harry Conway (Long Jump), John O'Connor (Triple Jump), John O'Grady (Shot Put), Paddy Bermingham (Discus), Bill Shanahan (Decathlon)	The Liffey Swim
Boxing	JMyles McDonagh (Flyweight), Robert Hilliard, Dan Flaherty (Bantamweight), Mossy Doyle (Featherweight), Pa Kelleher (Lightweight), Paddy Dwyer, Paddy Lenehan (Welterweight), Boy Murphy (Middleweight), John Kidley (Light Heavyweight)	
Football	Ernie McKay, Denis Hannon, Frank Ghent, Bertie Kerr, Jack McCarthy, Johnny Murray, John Joe Dykes, Joe Kendrick, Micky Farrell, Paddy O'Reilly, Paddy Duncan, Tommy Muldoon	
Tennis	Walter Ireland (Singles, Men's Doubles, Mixed Doubles), D'Arcy McCrea(Singles, Men's Doubles, Mixed Doubles), Phoebe Blair-White (Singles, Women's Doubles, Mixed Doubles), Hilda Wallis (Singles, Women's Doubles, Mixed Doubles)	

#### ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS

The team qualification already began, at the 2022 World Championships – however, Irish hopes who qualified from the 2023 European Championships and World Cup Series will be focused on the 2023 World Championship in Antwerp, Belgium, and the overall ranking system as per the Olympic qualification process. At the World Championships, the three highest-ranked NOCs that did not qualify through the team events will earn one individual quota place for their NOC.

The individual qualification process for athletes who did not qualify through the team process also begins at the 2023 World Championships, where **eight athletes will qualify for the men's event and 14 for the women's event**. (See below) Apparatus quotas can also be earned at the 2023 World Championships, with the highest-ranked athlete in each apparatus final that did not qualify through previous competitions earning **a quota**.

**The 2024 World Cup Series** will also offer two quotas per gender for each apparatus. The final quotas will be earned at the **2024 Continental Championships** in the all-around events. Five athletes of each gender will obtain one quota each.

For full information about qualification rules visit <u>https://olympics.com/en/news/paris-2024-artistic-gymnastic-qualification-system-explained</u>

At Paris 2024, gymnastics takes place in the Bercy Arena from the  $27^{th}$  of July –  $3^{rd}$  August, with the Men's Pommel Final which will take place on the  $3^{rd}$  of August.

DISCIPLINES	WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
Men's Apparatus	30 Sept – 8 October 2023	The highest ranked athlete that did not earn qualification in the team event will earn one quota	FIG World Championships Target for Rhys McClenaghan, Dominick Cunningham & Eamon Montgomery
Men's All Around	30 Sept – 8 October 2023	8 gymnasts qualify for men's who didn't qualify through teams, they can also compete on apparatus	FIG World Championships Target for Adam Steele
Women's All Around	30 Sept – 8 October 2023	14 gymnasts who didn't qualify through teams, they can also compete on apparatus	FIG World Championships Target for Emma Slevin & Halle Hilton
Men's & Women's Apparatus	2024 World Cup Series	Two quota spots per gender for each apparatus	Various, until the last one in Baku on 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
Men's & Women's Apparatus	April & May 2024	Five athletes of each gender will obtain one quota each	Continental Championships, Naples, Italy

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

#### QUALIFICATION STATUS AND ATHLETES TARGETING PARIS

No athletes have achieved qualification yet. The following gymnasts are due to compete at the 2023 Artistic Gymnastics World Championships from the 30<sup>th</sup> September to 8<sup>th</sup> October Emma Slevin, Halle Hilton, Adam Steele, are all competing in the All Around Event with Dominick Cunningham, on Floor & Vault, Eamon Montgomery on Floor & Rhys McClenaghan on Pommel.

#### ATHLETICS

Athletics is one of the sports that featured at the Ancient Olympics, it is the oldest sport on record, with the names of champions documented from as far back as 776 BC. The athletics programme has been a mainstay of the modern Olympic programme since the revival of the Games at Athens 1896. The Paris 2024 programme will see a total of 1810 athletes from across the world compete.

Qualification is already underway, with the final qualification quotas being awarded in June 2024.

Athletes can qualify in one of two ways:

- By virtue of their World Athletics world ranking position at the end of the qualification period
- Achieving the entry standard within the qualification period

Entry standards are set for the sole purpose of qualifying athletes with exceptional performances unable to qualify through the world rankings pathway.

#### PARIS 1924 THROWBACK – CENTENARY FACT

In 1924 Team Ireland had ten athletes compete in the Games in Paris. The Athletics stadium was the Yves-du-Manoir Stadium, located in Columbes. This stadium also hosted the Opening Ceremony of the Paris 1924 Games, and is the only legacy stadiums to feature in 2024, when it hosts the hockey tournaments. In 1924 only men were allowed to compete in athletics, with women only featuring in 1928. Paris 2025 will see full gender balance with 905 men and 905 women competing.

Note that a number of relations of the 1924 team have been in touch with us.

Paddy Bermingham	Discus Throw	Fourth in SF
Sean Kelly	3000m Steeplechase	Seventh in SF
Sean Lavan	200m & 400m	Did not advance from QF
Norman McEachern	800m	Fifth in SF
William Lowe	100m/200m	Did not advance from Heats/QF respectively
John O'Connor	Triple Jump	Fifth in SF
John O'Grady	Shot Put	Eighth in SF flagbearer
John Ryan	10,000m/Cross Country	DNF in both
William Shanahan	Decathlon	Nineteenth with 5426.680
Larry Stanley	High Jump	Fourth in SF

In 1924 the following athletes represented Team Ireland in athletics:

#### PREVIOUS ATHLETICS MEDALLISTS FOR TEAM IRELAND

1928	Pat O'Callaghan	Hammer	Gold
1932	Pat O'Callaghan	Hammer	Gold
1932	Bob Tisdall	400m Hurdles	Gold
1956	Ronnie Delany	1500m	Gold
2000	Sonia O'Sullivan	5000m	Silver
1984	John Treacy	Marathon	Silver

2012 Rob Heffernan 50km Race Walk Bronze
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#### PREVIOUS ATHLETICS FLAGBEARERS FOR TEAM IRELAND:

1924	John O'Grady
1932	Pat O'Callaghan
1960	Ronnie Delany
1964	John Lawlor
2000	Sonia O'Sullivan

#### PARIS 2024 – THE VENUES

**Pont d'Iéna - Race Walk & Marathon:** The léna Bridge is one of the most famous bridges in Paris, located at the foot of the Eiffel Tower, crossing the River Seine to Trocadéro. During the Games it will be fully fitted out with overlay facilities offering a unique experience for athletes and spectators.

**Hotel de Ville – Marathon:** The start of the marathon will be at the Hotel de Ville, and its eponymous square.

**Stade de France – Track & Field:** Built in 1998 for the Football World Cup, Stade de France regularly hosts some of the biggest sporting events in the world, including the 2023 Rugby World Cup later this year.

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Athletes will be able to qualify in two ways for the Paris 2024 Games, with 50% of qualification places based on achieving the entry standard for an event within the qualification period, and the other 50% based on the World Athletics Ranking within the ranking period.

DISCIPLINE	WHEN	NOTES
Individual Events other than the 10,000m, marathon, combined, race walks	Runs from 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2023 to 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Qualification can be achieved via qualification times or world ranking
Combined Events	Runs from 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2022 to 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Qualification can be achieved via qualification times or world ranking
Race Walks	Runs from 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2022 to 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Qualification can be achieved via qualification times or world ranking
Relays	Runs from 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2022 to 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Qualification can be achieved via qualification times or world ranking
10,000m	Runs from 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2022 to 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Qualification can be achieved via qualification times or world ranking
Marathon	Runs from 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2022 to 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Qualification can be achieved via qualification times or world ranking

#### QUALIFICATION STANDARDS

Entry standards and the number of quota places available in each event:

Event	Men	Men Rank	Women	Women Rank	Quotas
100m	10.00	IRL LIST	11.07	IRL LIST	56
200m	20.16	IRL LIST	22.57	IRL LIST	48
400m	45.00	IRL LIST	50.95	IRL LIST	48
800m	1:44:70	IRL LIST	1:59:30	IRL LIST	48
1500m (Mile)	3:33.50	IRL LIST	4:02.50	IRL LIST	45
	(3:50.40)		(4:20.90)		
5000m	13:05.00	IRL LIST	14:52.00	IRL LIST	42
10,000m	27:00.00	IRL LIST	30:40.00	IRL LIST	27
110m H/100m H	13.27	IRL LIST	12.77	IRL LIST	40
400m H	48.70	IRL LIST	54.85	IRL LIST	40
3000m SC	8:15.00	IRL LIST	9:23.00	IRL LIST	36
High Jump	2.33	IRL LIST	1.97	IRL LIST	32
Pole Vault	5.82	IRL LIST	4.73	IRL LIST	32
Long Jump	8.27	IRL LIST	6.86	IRL LIST	32
Triple Jump	17.22	IRL LIST	14.55	IRL LIST	32
Shot Put	21.50	IRL LIST	18.80	IRL LIST	32
Discus Throw	67.20	IRL LIST	64.50	IRL LIST	32
Hammer Throw	78.20	IRL LIST	74.00	IRL LIST	32
Javelin Throw	85.50	IRL LIST	64.00	IRL LIST	32
Decathlon/Heptathlon	8,460	IRL LIST	6,480	IRL LIST	24
20km Race Walk	1:29:10	IRL LIST	1:29:20	IRL LIST	48
Marathon	2:08:10	IRL LIST	2:26:50	IRL LIST	80

#### TRACKING ATHLETES AND STATUS

Below is a list of athletes that are tracking to Paris and their current status, noting that the qualification period opened in July 2023:

WHO	DISCIPLINE	WHERE FROM	STATUS
Sarah Lavin	100m H	Emerald AC, Limerick	Achieved standard on the 2 July at Stockholm Diamond League with 12.73PR
Andrew Coscoran	1500m	Star of the Sea AC	Achieved standard 16 July '23 at Silesia Diamond League, Chorzow
Brian Fay	5000m	Raheny Shamrock AC	Achieved standard 15 July '23 at KBC Nacht meeting in Heusden, Belgium
Rhasidat Adeleke	200m	Tallaght AC	Achieved standard 18 July '23 at Gyulai Istvan Memorial in Szekesfehervar, Hungary
Rhasidat Adeleke	400m	Tallaght AC	Diamond League Monaco, 21 July '23
Ciara Mageean	1500m	City of Lisburn	Diamond League Monaco, 21 July '23
Sophie O'Sullivan	1500m	Ballymore Cobh AC	World Championships Budapest 19 Aug '23 (4:02.15)
Sarah Healy	1500m	UCD AC	World Championships Budapest 19 Aug '23 (4:03.00)

#### INSIDE QUALIFICATION:

NOT YET QUALIFIED			
WHO	DISCIPLINE	WHERE FROM	STATUS
Israel Olatunde	100m	UCD AC	Not yet qualified
Molly Scott	100m	St. Laurence O'Toole AC	Not yet qualified
Ciara Neville	100m	Emerald AC	Not yet qualified
Rhasidat Adeleke	100m	Tallaght AC	Not yet qualified
Marcus Lawler	200m	Clonliffe Harriers	Not yet qualified
Phil Healy	200m	Bandon AC, Cork	Not yet qualified
Phil Healy	400m	Bandon AC, Cork	Not yet qualified
Mark English	800m	Finn Valley AC	Not yet qualified
Síofra Cleirigh-Buttner	800m	Dublin City Harriers AC	Not yet qualified
Georgie Hartigan	800m	Dundrum South Dublin AC	Not yet qualified
Nadia Power	800m	Dublin City Harriers AC	Not yet qualified
Louise Shanahan	800m	Leevale AC	Not yet qualified
John Fitzsimons	800m	Kildare AC	Not yet qualified
Cian McPhilips	1500m	UCD AC	Not yet qualified
Luke McCann	1500m	UCD AC	Not yet qualified
Nicholas Griggs	1500m	Mid Ulster AC	Not yet qualified
Michelle Finn	3000m SC	Leevale AC	Not yet qualified
Eilish Flanagan	3000m SC	Finn Valley AC	Not yet qualified
Roisin Flanagan	5000m	Finn Valley AC	Not yet qualified
Darragh McElhinney	5,000m	UCD AC	Not yet qualified
Sean Tobin	10,000m	Clonmel AC	Not yet qualified
Keelan Kilrehill	10,000m	Moy Valley AC	Not yet qualified
Hiko Tonosa	10,000m	Dundrum South Dublin AC	Not yet qualified
Efrem Gidey	10,000m	Clonliffe Harriers AC	Not yet qualified
Thomas Barr	400m H	Ferrybank AC	Not yet qualified
Sommer Lecky	High Jump	Finn Valley AC	Not yet qualified
Eric Favors	Shot Put	Club – Raheny Shamrock AC	Not yet qualified
		Ballina, Mayo (via grandmother)	
Kate O'Connor	Heptathlon	Dundalk St. Gerards AC	Not yet qualified
Brendan Boyce	35km Walker	Finn Valley AC, Donegal/Cork	Not yet qualified
Alex Wright	20km Walker	Leevale AC	Not yet qualified
David Kenny	20km Walker	Farranfore Maine Valley AC	Not yet qualified
Kate Veale	20km Walker	West Waterford AC	Not yet qualified
Fionnuala McCormack	Marathon	Kilcoole AC	Not yet qualified
Stephen Scullion	Marathon	Clonliffe Harriers	Not yet qualified
Aoife Cooke	Marathon	Eagle AC	Not yet qualified
Kevin Seaward	Marathon	St. Malachy's AC	Not yet qualified
Paul Pollock	Marathon	Annadale AC	Not yet qualified

Christopher O'Donnell	Mixed 4 X 400m Relay	North Sligo AC	Not yet qualified
Sharlene Mawdsley	Mixed 4 X 400m Relay	Newport AC	Not yet qualified
Sophie Becker	Mixed 4 X 400m Relay	Raheny Shamrock AC	Not yet qualified
Cillin Greene	Mixed 4 X 400m Relay	Galway City Harriers AC	Not yet qualified
Cliodhna Manning	Mixed 4 X 400m Relay	Kilkenny City Harriers AC	Not yet qualified
Robert McDonnell	4 X 400m Mixed Relay	Galway City Harriers	Not yet qualified

#### BADMINTON

In Badminton, Irish athletes are active and dominant in several events, with the main challenger for an Olympic spot in Paris 2024 being Nhat Nguyen in the Men's Singles. All badminton events take place between the 27<sup>th</sup> July and the 5<sup>th</sup> of August, and will take place in the Porte de la Chapelle Arena.

#### QUALIFICATOIN TIMELINE:

The 'Paris Ranking Lists' as of 30 April 2024 will be used to award quota places in men's and women's singles events, as well as men's, women's and mixed doubles events.

Each list will be based on the results achieved between 1 May 2023 and 28 April 2024.

The results taken into account will be the ones of the competitions below, as follows:

- Thomas & Uber Cup
- Sudirman Cup
- World Championships
- Grade 2 BWF tour tournaments Levels 1 to 6
- Grade 3 BWF Continental tour tournaments International Challenge, International Series & Future Series
- Continental Championships (individual and team)
- Continental Multi sports games Pan American Games, European Games, and African Games (if sanctioned during the qualification period)
- Any other international event sanctioned by BWF and included in advance and with BWF approval as being part of the World Ranking Lists

EVENT	NUMBERS TO QUALIFY
Men's/Women's Singles	A total of 70 athletes will qualify for the singles events through the BWF 'Race to Paris Ranking List': 35 in the men's and 35 in the women's events. This includes the Continental Representation Places.
Mixed/Men's/Women's Doubles	A total of 48 pairs will qualify for the doubles events through the BWF 'Race to Paris Ranking Lists' of 30 April 2024. 16 in each event.

#### ATHLETES TO FOLLOW:

All of the world rankings can be found <u>HERE</u>, with it possible to filter by country and by athlete. Note that the rankings are updated weekly, so the link is always most accurate. Note that the overall standing does not take into account that many nations have several players or pairs in the ranking that will be discounted. Olympic ranking is beside each athlete.

EVENT	NUMBERS TO QUALIFY		
Men's Singles	Nhat Nguyen: Current rankings: 37 overall on 15/8/23		
Merre englee	Olympic ranked: 24 out of 38		
Women's Singles	Rachael Darragh: Currently ranked 81 overall 15/8/23		
Women's Singles	Olympic ranked 27 out of 38		
Men's Doubles	Joshua Magee and Paul Reynolds: Currently ranked 54 overall		
	15/8/23 Olympic ranked 15 out of 16.		
Women's Doubles	Moya Ryan and Kate Frost: Currently ranked 144 overall		
	18/9/23		
Mixed Doubles	Joshua Magee and Moya Ryan: Currently ranked 110 overall		
	18/9/23.		

#### BOXING

Boxing has already begun their qualification process, with five boxers qualifying through the European Games in Krakow on the 28/30 June. The boxing events will once again be run by a boxing tax force through the IOC. There will be two more opportunities for athletes to qualify in boxing for the Paris Olympic Games.

Boxing is Team Ireland's most successful Olympic sport, making up over 50% of the medal haul.

PREVIOUS BOXING MEDALLISTS FOR TEAM IRELAND:					
John McNally	Helsinki 1952	Men's Bantamweight	Silver		
Fred Tiedt	Melbourne 1956	Men's Welterweight	Silver		
Tony 'Socks' Byrne	Melbourne 1956	Men's Lightweight	Bronze		
John Caldwell	Melbourne 1956	Men's Flyweight	Bronze		
Freddie Gilroy	Melbourne 1956	Men's Bantamweight	Bronze		
Jim McCourt	Tokyo 1964	Men's Lightweight	Bronze		
Hugh Russell	Moscow 1980	Men's Flyweight	Bronze		
Michael Carruth	Barcelona 1992	Men's Welterweight	Gold		
Wayne McCullough	Barcelona 1992	Men's Bantamweight	Silver		
Kenneth Egan	Beijing 2008	Men's Light Heavyweight	Silver		
Darren Sutherland	Beijing 2008	Men's Middleweight	Bronze		
Paddy Barnes	Beijing 2008	Men's Light Flyweight	Bronze		
Paddy Barnes	London 2012	Men's Light Flyweight	Bronze		
Katie Taylor	London 2012	Women's Lightweight	Gold		
John Joe Nevin	London 2012	Men's Bantamweight	Silver		
Michael Conlon	London 2012	Men's Flyweight	Bronze		
Kellie Harrington	Tokyo 2020	Women's Lightweight	Gold		
Aidan Walsh	Tokyo 2020	Men's Light Welterweight	Bronze		

#### PREVIOUS BOXING MEDALLISTS FOR TEAM IRELAND:

#### PREVIOUS BOXING FLAGBEARERS FOR TEAM IRELAND

1928	Matt Flanagan	
1956	Tony Byrne	
1968	Jim McCourt	
1988	Wayne McCullough	
1996	Francie Barrett	
2012	Katie Taylor	
2016	Paddy Barnes	
2020	Kellie Harrington	Brendan Irvine

#### PARIS VENUE FOR BOXING

The preliminary rounds will take place in the Villepinte exhibition centre in Seine-Saint-Denis, and the semi-finals and finals in the Rolland-Garros stadium.

#### PARIS SCHEDULE FOR THE OLYMPICS

The boxing schedule runs from the 27<sup>th</sup> of July to the 10<sup>th</sup> of August, with the preliminary rounds taking place in the North Paris Arena, and the semi-finals and finals taking place in the Rollan-Garros Stadium.

#### QUALIFICATION STATUS

There were three opportunities for boxers to qualify, the first at the continental competition, which was where Ireland qualified five boxers, with most others losing out narrowly to the eventual gold medallist. There are two more opportunities for world qualification quota places to be allocated – which will be two tournaments in the early part of the 2024 season.

Note that in boxing the qualified athlete is a named athlete, with the quota spot not transferrable to another athlete from their nation. Also, in many of the categories there is intense competition for the Irish spot in the qualifier, so the National Championships in 2023 will play a key role in determining who will challenge the qualification spots in 2024 qualifying tournaments.

Note also that as a host nation France get 6 spots that can be equally distributed between men and	
women.	

DISCIPLINES	WHO	STATUS
Women's Fly (-50kg)	ТВС	Daina Moorehouse narrowly beaten at the European Games 2023
Women's Bantamweight (- 54kg)	ТВС	Jennifer Lehane narrowly beaten at the European Games 2023
Women's Feather (-57kg)	Michaela Walsh	Qualified at Krakow June 2023
Women's Light (-60kg)	Kellie Harrington	Qualified at Krakow June 2023
Women's Welter (-66kg)	ТВС	Amy Broadhurst narrowly beaten at the European Games
Women's Middle (-75kg)	Aoife O'Rourke	Qualified at Krakow June 2023
Men's Flyweight (-51kg)	ТВС	Sean Mari beaten at the European Games 2023
Men's Feather (-57kg)	ТВС	Jude Gallagher beaten at the European Games 2023
Men's Lightweight (-63.5kg)	Dean Clancy	Qualified at Krakow June 2023
Men's Welterweight (-71kg)	ТВС	Dean Walsh beaten at the European Games 2023
Men's Middleweight (-80kg)	ТВС	Kelyn Cassidy narrowly beaten at the European Games 2023
Men's Heavyweight (-92kg)	Jack Marley	Qualified at Krakow 2023
Men's Super Heavy (+91kg)	ТВС	Nobody competed in this category at Krakow 2023

#### QUALIFICATION QUOTA OPPORTUNITIES

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE				
European Games	June 2023	Novy Targ Arena, Poland				
World Olympic Qualification 1	29 Feb – 12 March 2024	Busto Arzizio, Italy				
World Olympic Qualification 2	23 May – 3 June 2024	Bangkok, Thailand				

Men								
Men's quota distribution	51kg	57kg	63.5kg	71kg	80kg	92kg	+92kg	Total
Americas	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	14
Europe	2	4	4	4	4	2	2	22
Asia	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	14
Oceania	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
Africa	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
1st WQT	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	28
2nd WQT	4	2 or 3	4 or 5	4 or 5	2 or 3	4	4	25-28
Host	0	0 or 1	0 or 1	0 or 1	0 or 1	0	0	0-3
Universality	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	4
	16	18	20	20	18	16	16	124

Women's Quota attribution	50kg	54kg	57kg	60kg	66kg	75kg	Total
Americas	2	2	4	4	2	2	16
Europe	4	4	4	4	4	2	22
Asia	4	4	4	4	2	2	20
Oceania	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Africa	2	2	2	2	2	1	11
1st WQT	4	4	2	3	4	4	21
2nd WQT	3 or 4	3 or 4	3 or 4	2 or 3	3 or 4	0	20-23
Host	0 or 1	0	0-3				
Universality	1	1	1	1	1	0	5
	22	22	22	20	20	16	124

#### CANOEING - SLALOM

There are several categories on the Paris 2024 canoe slalom programme, with athletes targeting qualification across the board. Compared to Tokyo 2020 there are two new categories on the programme – extreme kayak (Women's WX1 and Men's MX1). Canoe Slalom will take place at the Vaires-Sur-Marne nautical stadium outside of Paris, and the qualification system is similar to Tokyo 2020.

The qualification period for canoe slalom is ongoing, with the main opportunity coming at the 2023 ICF Canoe Slalom World Championships. Continental Championships, like the European Games, also provide an opportunity to qualify, with those spots only awarded after the World Championships, to the next best placed athletes.

Competition at the Paris Olympics takes place between Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> of July and Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August.

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE:

The qualification process is already underway – note that the quota spots are not named spots, and further selection takes place within the NOC.

DISCIPLINE	WHEN	NOTES	
Women's/Men's Canoe C1 Slalom	World Championships, UK, 19- 23 September 2023	12 quota spots for Paris 2024	
Women's/Men's Canoe K1 Slalom	World Championships, UK, 19- 23 September 2023	15 quota spots for Paris 2024	
Women's/Men's Canoe C1 European Games		1 quota spot (allocated after the world championships)	
Women's/Men's Canoe K1 European Games Slalom		1 quota spot (allocated after the world championships)	
Extreme Kayak	World Championships	Three best placed NOCs secure a quota spot	

#### ATHLETES TO WATCH:

Following on from a large competing contingent at the European Games, the following athletes are being tracked.

EVENT	WHO	
Men's C1 Slalom	Liam Jegou, Robert Hendrick, Jake Cochrane	
Men's K1 Slalom	Noel Hendrick, Samuel Curtis, Alistair McCreery	
Women's C1 Slalom	Michaela Corcoran	
Women's K1 Slalom	Madison Corcoran	

#### CANOEING - SPRINT

Jenny Egan-Simmons is Ireland's top canoe sprint kayaker, however, her discipline the K1 5000m is not an Olympic event. The events that are in the Olympics are the K1 200 and the K1 500. The canoe sprint runs from the 6-10 August 2024, and qualification is ongoing.

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE:

There are two qualification opportunities for athletes – the World Championships, World Cup 2 and the European Championships, with an additional place reserved for the host country. The Tripartite Commission can award a further 2 spots, and unused quota spots can be reallocated. A country can qualify up to two boats in each category, per gender.

DISCIPLINE	WHEN	NOTES
Women's K1 200 & 500	2023 ICF Canoe Sprint World Championships 19-24 Sept 2023	7 total - 6 boats available + 1 host boat
Women's K1 200 & 500European Canoe Sprint Qualifier - 8-9 May 2024		2 spots available

#### QUALIFICATION STANDARD MET:

Nobody has yet achieved qualification; Jenny Egan-Simmons is the only athlete targeting qualification.

#### CYCLING ROAD

The Road Cycling qualification is based on world nation ranking with UCI – the world governing body for cycling. A total of 180 cyclists, 90 per gender, will compete at the Olympics. Each NOC can qualify a maximum of 4 cyclists per gender in the road race, and 2 per gender in the time trial.

For the Time Trial, the NOC must have qualified for the road race. The 2023 World Championships offers 10 places per gender, with the remaining places allocated based on rankings and each NOC can have a maximum of 2 time trial entries.

PARIS SCHEDULE FOR OLYMPICS					
DISCIPLINES	WHEN	WHERE			
Men's Road Race	3 August 2024	Pont d'Iena and Invalides			
Women's Road Race	4 August 2024	Pont d'Iena and Invalides			
Time Trials (both)	27 July 2024	Pont d'Iena and Invalides			

#### PARIS SCHEDULE FOR OLYMPICS

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE:

All will be based on the official UCI Rankings in October 2023, after which NOCs will be informed on the number of quota places they have received. Selection will take place closer to the Games, with consideration given not only to the form of an athlete, but to their suitability to the race circuit.

#### CYCLING TRACK

There will be a total of 12 track cycling events at the Paris Olympics, with Team Ireland targeting several events, specifically focusing on the Women's Team Pursuit.

Competition in Paris 2024 runs from the 5-11 August, and takes place in the National Velodrome, based in Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines.

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE:

The ranking for the track cycling runs from 9 July 2022 to 14 April 2024. There are specific nuances around the value of specific events, with continental championships points multiplied by 0.75, and world championship points multipled by 1.5. Additionally only the top athlete/team from a nation will score points for their NOC ranking.

#### QUALIFICATION STANDARD MET:

Nobody has met the standard yet. Note that in Paris there will be athletes competing in other events other than those they qualify in. For example if Ireland qualifies a team pursuit, they potentially can compete in the Madison. Ranking can be found <u>HERE</u>.

Women's Team Pursuit – 10 nations qualify, Ireland currently ranked 9 HERE as of 18/9/23

Women's Omnium – 7 nations qualify, Ireland currently ranked 7 HERE as of 18/9/23

Women's Madison – 5 teams qualify, Ireland currently ranked 7 HERE as of 18/9/23

Women's Sprint – 7 sprinters qualify, Ireland currently ranked 21 HERE as of 18/9/23

Women's Keirin – 7 Kierin racers qualify, Ireland currently ranked 23 HERE as of 18/9/23

#### DIVING

Ciara McGing, Clare Cryan and Jake Passmore are the key divers targeting Olympic qualification at the Paris Olympics. The diving events in Paris 2024 will take place between the 27 July and the 10 August at the Paris Aquatics Centre. To be eligible for the Games, and athlete must be aged 14 years or older before 31 December 2023.

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE:

France as host nation gain a spot.

DISCIPLINE	WHAT	WHEN	NOTES
Women's/Men's 3m Springboard	European Games	June 2023	1 spot available, no Irish achieved qualification
Women's/Men's 3m Springboard	2023 World Aquatics Championships	14 – 30 July 2023	12 spots available per gender, no Irish achieved qualification
Women's/Men's 3m Springboard	2024 World Aquatics Championships	2 – 18 February 2024	12 spots available
Women's 10m Platform	European Games	June 2023	1 spot available, no Irish achieved qualification
Women's 10m Platform	2023 World Aquatics Championships	14 – 30 July 2023	12 spots available, no Irish achieved qualification
Women's 10m Platform	2024 World Aquatics Championships	2 – 18 February 2024	12 spots available

#### ATHLETES TO FOLLOW:

Ciara McGing (Mayo/London) *Women's 10m Platform* Clare Cryan (Sligo/Roscommon/Sheffield) *Women's 3m Springboard* Jake Passmore (Dublin/Leeds) *Men's 3m Springboard* 

#### EQUESTRIAN

The first quota spots to be awarded to Ireland for Paris 2024 were in Equestrian, with quota spots offered to two teams, eventing and showjumping teams. In Paris, the equestrian events will take place at the Chateau de Versailles, between the 27<sup>th</sup> of July and the 6<sup>th</sup> of August.

PREVIOUS EQUESTRIAN TEAM IRELAND FLAGBEARERS			
1956 Kevin Barry			
1972	Robbie McMahon		
1984 Gerry Mullins			

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE:

While qualification has been achieved in eventing and showjumping, selection will happen at a later date. The dressage team still has opportunities to qualify, with the key target events listed below, ranking will also net more opportunities.

DISCIPLINES	WHEN	WHERE
Eventing	September 2022	Achieved qualification by finishing fifth at the FEI World Championships 2022 in Pratoni, Italy.
Showjumping	August 2022	Achieved qualification by finishing fourth at the World Championships in Herning, Denmark.
Dressage	August 2022	2022 FEI Dressage World Championships - Did not achieve one of the six quota spots
Dressage	4 – 10 Sept 2023	2023 FEI European Dressage Championships –Three quota spots available

#### QUALIFICATION STANDARD MET:

Eventing Team (3 athletes) qualified by Sam Watson, Austin O'Connor, Susie Berry and Padraig McCarthy

Show Jumping Team (3 athletes) qualified by Denis Lnch, Bertram Allen, Cian O'Connor and Daniel Coyle.

#### HOCKEY MEN AND WOMEN

Both men and women still have an opportunity to qualify for hockey at the Paris Olympic Games. In Rio 2016, the men's team competed, with the women competing in the Tokyo Olympic Games. The final qualification tournament for hockey takes place in January 2024.

The hockey events will run from the 27 July to the 9 August at the Stade Yves-du-Manoir, a legacy venue from the Paris 1924 Games. This venue will hold a special place in our history, as it was the venue that hosted the Opening Ceremony and athletics events at Paris 1924, when Ireland first competed at the Games.

#### QUALIFICATION ROUTE:

The qualification route will end up with 12 teams competing in the men's event, and 12 in the women's event. Team Ireland is ranked 13<sup>th</sup> currently in both the men's and women's games, and will be targeting qualification for the final Olympic qualifying tournament in January 2024 out of the EuroHockey Championships in July/August.

2023 EuroHockey Championship II	23 – 29 July 2023 (Men)	0 Olympic berths, 2 spots available for the final Olympic qualifiers – won by Ireland
2023 EuroHockey Championship	19 – 27 August 2023 (Women)	1 Olympic berth, remaining six move to the Jan '24 qualifiers. Ireland progress, finishing fifth
2024 FIH Hockey Olympic Qualifiers	13 – 21 January 2024 (Men)	3 Valencia tournament 3 Lahore tournament Draw to be complete on 7 <sup>th</sup> November
2024 FIH Hockey Olympic Qualifiers	13 – 21 January 2024 (Women)	3 India TBC tournament 3 Valencia tournament Draw to be complete on 7 <sup>th</sup> November

#### Qualification route in detail:

	European Championships – Irish context
IRL Men	<ul> <li>EuroHockey Championship II, Men July 23-29 – Sport Ireland Campus</li> <li>Teams: IRL, CZE, ITA, POR, SCO, SUI, TUR, UKR</li> <li>The EuroHockey Championship II Men 2023 is the second level of the men's European field hockey championships organised by the European Hockey Federation (EHF)</li> <li>Need: Top 2 (not including Scotland) (won by Ireland)</li> <li>Then, top 3 from 8 teams in January Olympic Qualifier (either in Spain or Pakistan)</li> </ul>
IRL Women	<ul> <li>EuroHockey Championship, Aug 18-27 – Germany</li> <li>Teams: Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Spain, England, Ireland, Scotland, Italy</li> <li>Need: Top 6 from Euros in Germany in August (not including winner or Scotland- essentially meaning they are already in Jan Qualifier unless Scotland win the tournament, which is very unlikely) (Ireland fifth - progress)</li> <li>Then, then top 3 from 8 teams in January Olympic Qualifier (either in Spain or China)</li> </ul>
Olympic Qualifiers 2024	<ul> <li>The FIH Olympic Qualifiers will be played in January 2024</li> <li>For Olympic Qualifiers, Europe have Men 7 places and Women 8 places</li> <li>FRA already qualified for Paris 2024 and WAL/SCO play under GBR so those teams are not taken into account when deciding the European places.</li> <li>This means for Men: 5 teams from Monchengladbach (not winner, not FRA, not WAL) are qualified, plus the highest 2 teams of EHC II, not taking SCO into account.</li> <li>[As an example: IRL wins, SCO is 2nd, ITA 3rd and CZE 4th; It means IRL and ITA are qualified to play in the Olympic Qualifiers].</li> <li>For Women: 6 teams from Monchengladbach (not winner, not SCO) are qualified, plus the highest 2 teams of EHC II, not taking WAL and FRA into account.</li> <li>[As an example: FRA wins, POL is 2nd, WAL 3rd and CZE 4th; It means POL and CZE are qualified to play in the Olympic Qualifiers].</li> </ul>

#### \*\*NOTE\*\*

There will be an opportunity for media to watch/interview the team training at a session between now and Christmas, more information to follow.

#### GOLF MEN AND WOMEN

Qualification for the Olympic Games for golf is dependent on a specific Olympic ranking, that is regularly updated and closes on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June 2024 for men, and the 24<sup>th</sup> of June 2024 for women. At the Paris Olympics the golf takes place between the 1 and 10 August 2024 in the Golf National, located in Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines, 41km from the Olympic Village. The format of the golf competition is stroke play.

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE:

The Olympic field is restricted to 60 players for each of the men's and women's competitions. The IGF will utilize the official world golf rankings to create the Olympic Golf Rankings as a method of determining eligibility. The top 15 world-ranked players will be eligible for the Olympics, with a limit of four players from a given country. Beyond the top 15 players will be eligible based on the world rankings, with a maximum of two eligible players from each country that does not already have two or more players among the to 15.

The reserve list and reallocated quotas will be published the following day to the end of the ranking date. By the 2 July NOCs confirm use of allocations and on the 3 July all the unused allocations are reallocated.

#### QUALIFICATION STANDARD MET:

Ireland is tracking towards achieving full quota, with a male and female within Olympic rankings in both the men's and women's competition.

Current Rankings 18/9/2023 HERE

Men: Rory McIlroy 2<sup>nd</sup>, Shane Lowry 17<sup>th</sup>

Women: Leona Maguire 17th, Stephanie Meadow 31st

#### JUDO

Judo has two athletes tracking towards Olympic Qualification contention, Rachael Hawkes from Omagh, and Joshua Green from Derry. Host nation France can have a spot in all events. Qualification is earned through the International Judo Federation Ranking system as of May 2024. An additional 100 athletes will be qualified then based on continental representation. There will be a ranking list based on continental representation across weight categories and gender, and athletes with the highest ranking points across the disciplines.

It will take place in the Champ de Mars Arena between 27th July and the 3rd August 2024.

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE:					
DISCIPLINES	WHEN	WHAT			
All Disciplines	From 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2022 to the 23 June 2024	Top 17 in ranking – only one per NOC			

#### QUALIFICATION STANDARD MET:

The Olympic ranking for Judo is updated regularly showing where athletes stand as events are run, the link is HERE. Two Irish athletes are targeting qualification, with realistic ambitions of competing in Paris. They are currently training in Japan, with competition due to restart shortly. Note the below ranking includes multiple athletes from different nations, with only one allowed to competed at the Games.

Rachael Hawkes (Women's 70kg) - ranked 49th on 18/9/2023

Joshua Green (Men's 73kg) – ranked 50th on 18/9/2023

#### \*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*

17<sup>th</sup> November – open training day with Judo athletes, including Olympian visit from Ben and Megan Fletcher. Details to follow.

#### MODERN PENTATHLON

Team Ireland has three athletes competing internationally at this level, with Sive Brassil leading the charge for Olympic qualification in the Women's Individual event. The Modern Pentathlon events take place between the 8<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> August in the Chateau de Versailles, in what will be a spectacular setting.

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE:				
WHAT	WHEN	WHERE	NOTES	
World Cup final	31 May – 4 June	Turkey	1 spot available, Ireland not successful	
European Games	June 2023	Krakow	Open Women – top 8 qualified, Ireland not successful	
UIPM World Championships	August 2023	Tokyo	1 spot available, Ireland not successful	
2023 UIPM World Championships	June 2024		3 spots available	
2024 World Rankings	17-6-24		9 spots allocated via the world ranking on this date.	

QUALIFICATION STATUS AND ATHLETES TO WATCH:

No athletes have achieved qualification yet.

#### ROWING

Rowing will have its first opportunity to qualify boats at the World Championships in Belgrade, Serbia from the 3 - 10 September 2023.

In Paris the competition will take place in the Nautical Stadium in Vaires-sur-Marne.

TEAM IRELAND FLAGBEARERS IN ROWING		
1976	Frank Moore	

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE:

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE	NOTES
World Championships	3 – 10 September 2023	Belgrade, Serbia	This was the main opportunity to qualify boats, with the most number of quota spots available, successful campaign with 6 boths qualified
Final Olympic Qualification Regatta	May 2024	Lucerne	This is the last chance to qualify.

#### QUALIFICATION IN EACH CATEGORY:

Only one boat per nation can qualify for the Olympic Games, with the boat qualifying for the nation, not the named athlete.

#### QUALIFICATION ACHIEVED

QUALITION NOTICE		
Women's Pair	13 boats per gender (top 11 at	Quota won by Aifric
	worlds, top 2 in May 2024)	Keogh and Fionia
		Murtagh
Men's Pair	13 boats per gender (top 11 at	Quota won by Ross
	worlds, top 2 in May 2024)	Corrigan and Nathan
		Timoney
Men's Lightweight Doubles	16 boats per gender (top 7 at	Quota won by Fintan
	worlds, top 2 in May 2024)	McCarthy and Paul
		O'Donovan
Women's Lightweight Doubles	16 boats per gender (top 7 at	Quota won by Aoife
	worlds, top 2 in May 2024)	Casey and Margaret
		Cremen
Women's Doubles	13 boats per gender (top 11 at	Quota won by Zoe Hyde
	worlds, top 2 in May 2024)	and Alison Bergin
Men's Doubles	13 boats per gender (top 11 at	Quota won by Philip
	worlds, top 2 in May 2024)	Doyle and Daire Lynch

#### YET TO QUALIFY

Women's/Men's Single Sculls	29 per gender (top 9 at worlds, top 3 in May 2024)	Nobody qualified at Worlds
Women's/Men's Four	9 boats per gender top 7 at worlds, top 2 in May 2024)	Nobody qualified at Worlds
Women's/Men's Quadruple Scull	9 boats per gender (top 7 at worlds, top 2 in May 2024)	Nobody qualified at Worlds

Paul O'Donovan had taken time out to complete his study and is now back training, in Tokyo he won a gold medal with Fintan McCarthy in the Lightweight Double Scull, in Rio he won silver with his brother Gary, in the same event.

The Women's Four won a bronze medal in Tokyo and are working within a greater pool of athletes.

Many of the same athletes who competed in Tokyo are competing still and targeting Paris.

At the World Championships in Belgrade, Rowing Ireland won their greatest number of Olympic qualification spots ever, they achieved the equivalent of the total number of boats competing in Tokyo. They still have chances to qualify next year, with a realistic goal of achieving another one or two qualifications.

While the boats have been confirmed for Ireland, the athletes who will compete in these boats will not be named until later next year.

Note that the athletes who will compete in the boat at the final qualifier must be the same athletes to compete in the Games, should they qualify at that stage.

#### RUGBY 7S

Both Men's and Women's Rugby Sevens have qualified for Paris 2024, giving them a full year to prepare.

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE:

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE	NOTES
World Series 2022-23	May 2023	Marseille	Women's Rugby Sevens Team qualified
European Games 2023	June 2023	Krakow, Poland	Men's Rugby Sevens Team won gold and qualified

#### QUALIFICATION STANDARD MET:

In an unprecedented successful Olympic campaign, both the male and female teams have achieved qualification for Paris 2024. Both Team Ireland's men's and women's team are capable of medalling in 2024 and are boosted by having achieved early qualification, which will have a positive impact on their preparation for the Games.

This is the first time that we will have a women's team competing in the Games.

Names and selection will take place next year, and opportunities to meet with the athletes targeting qualification will be arranged in advance of the Games.

#### SAILING

Ireland are targeting several boats for Paris. The qualification period begins with the World Championships in The Hague and runs until next year.

The World Championships in The Hague runs from the 8 - 20 August 2023, with the main categories being contested by Team Ireland being the Women's Laser Radial, an event from which 3 x Olympian, Annalise Murphy, Rio Silver Medallist, has recently retired. Eve MacMahon has been progressing quickly in this category, and will be targeting qualification. Olympian Finn Lynch will be targeting the Men's Laser, and there are two crews focusing on the 49er event.

#### TEAM IRELAND FLAGBEARERS IN SAILING

2008 Ciara Peelo	
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#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE:

DISCIPLINES	WHAT	WHEN/WHERE	QUALIFICATION
(Women's) Laser Radial	World Champs '23	8-20 Aug/The Hague	Top 16 qualify
	World Champs '24		Top 7 qualify
	European Champs '24		Top 2 qualify
	Last Chance Regatta		Top 3 qualify
(Men's) Laser Class	World Champs '23	8-20 Aug/The Hague	Top 16 qualify - Finn Lunch qualified at this regatta
	World Champs '24		Top 7 qualify
	European Champs '24		Top 2 qualify
			Top 3 qualify
(Men's) 49er Class	World Champs '23	8-20 Aug/The Hague	Top 10 qualify
	European Champs '24		Top 1 qualify
	Last Chance Regatta		Top 3 qualify

#### QUALIFICATION STATUS/ATHLETES TO WATCH:

Similar to the other water sports, when a boat achieves qualification, it is the nation that gets the allocation, not the athletes. In the case of selection for Olympic boats, this takes place over the course of a series of selection regattas.

Laser	BOAT QUALIFIED	Finn Lynch qualified the boat at the World Championships '23, selection for this place will be contested between Finn Lynch and Ewan McMahon
Laser Radial	Not qualified yet	Eve McMahon is targeting qualification in this category
49er	Not qualified yet	Sean Waddilove & Robert Dickson and Séafra Guilfoyle and John Durcan are targeting qualification

#### SHOOTING - SHOTGUN

Ireland's focus will be on the Men's Skeet and Women's Trap for Paris 2024. Derek Burnett has represented Ireland for the past five Olympic Games in the Men's Trap, and currently is Ireland's highest ranked trap shooter, targeting his sixth Games. Aoife Gormally (Meath) competes in the Women's Trap and Jack Fairclough competes in the Men's Skeet. Also targeting qualification are Ian O'Sullivan (Limerick), who competed at a high level as a junior, he is returning to the sport, and Wayne Byrne (Meath).

Four quota places (top two teams per NOC) will be awarded to the shooters competing in each of the mixed team events (rifle, pistol, and trap), while the highest-ranked shooter, who has not qualified yet or whose NOC does not have a berth in any of the twelve individual events, will obtain a direct Olympic quota place through the World Rankings. The remaining twenty-four quota places are available to the eligible NOCs under the Tripartite Commission Invitation, with two in each event, including the trap. The NOC may assign a different shooter in each event, provided the achieve a minimum score.

WHAT	WHEN	NOTES	
World Championships		4 spots	
World Cups 2, 3, 5, 7		8 spots	
European Games		1 spot	
European Championships		2 spots	
European Championships 2023 – Croatia 18 – 26 Sept.		2 spots	
World Olympic Ranking		1 spot	
Tripartite		2 spots	

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

#### QUALIFICATION STANDARD MET

Nobody has met the standard yet. At the European Championships 2023 which takes place from the 23-24 September Ireland will be represented by Derek Burnett, Aoife Gormally, Ian O'Sullivan and Wayne Byrne. Jack Fairclough competed in the Skeet European Championships, which took place in early September, his finish of 121/125 was two targets short of a possible finals place, and he finished 19<sup>th</sup> overall. 25 of the top 30 shooters in Skeet are European, making it a very difficult category to qualify in for the Olympics. The main focus for Ireland in terms of Olympic qualification will be the tournaments in Doha in April, and the European Championships in May of 2024.

#### SWIMMING

In swimming, athletes can gain qualification by achieving set times at three recognised events, the 2023 World Aquatics Championships in Fukuoka, Japan, the 2024 World Aquatics Championships in Doha, Qatar and the 2024 Irish Open Swimming Championships and Olympic Trials. Athletes must achieve either the Olympic Qualification Time (OQT) or Olympic Consideration Time (OCT) to be considered for selection.

#### TEAM IRELAND FLAGBEARERS IN SWIMMING

1992

Michelle Smith

DISCIPLINE	WHAT	NOTES
Individual	<ul> <li>Times recorded at recognised events</li> <li>2023 World Aquatics Championships</li> <li>2024 World Aquatics Championships</li> <li>2024 Irish Open Championships &amp; Olympic Trials</li> </ul>	All athletes who achieve a World Aquatics OQT from one of these three recognised events will be considered at the conclusion of the Irish Open Championships. Those who achieve the OCT will need an invitation to compete from World Aquatics.
Relay	World Aquatics Championships 2023	Top 3 will automatically qualify for Paris 2024
Relay	World Aquatics Championships 2024	Thirteen places will be offered based on the best times from the 2023 and 2024 World Aquatics Championships.

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

#### World Aquatics Olympic Qualification (OQT) and Consideration (OCT) Times

Men's OQT	Men's OCT	Event	Women's OQT	Women's OCT
21.96	22.07	50m Freestyle	24.70	24.82
48.34	48.48	100m Freestyle	53.61	53.88
1:46.26	1:46.79	200m Freestyle	1:57.26	1:57.85
3:46.78	3:47.91	400m Freestyle	4:07.90	4:09.14
7:51.65	7:54.01	800m Freestyle	8:26.71	8:29.24
15:00.99	15:05.49	1500m Freestyle	16:09.09	16:13.94
53.74	54.01	100m Backstroke	59.99	1:00.29
1:57.50	1:58.09	200m Backstroke	2:10.39	2:11.04
59.49	59.79	100m Breaststroke	1:06.79	1:07.12
2:09.68	2:10.33	200m Breaststroke	2:23.91	2:24.63
51.67	51.93	100m Butterfly	57.92	58.21
1:55.78	1:56.36	200m Butterfly	2:08.43	2:09.07
1:57.94	1:58.53	200m IM	2:11.47	2:12.13
4:12.50	4:13.76	400m IM	4:38.53	4:39.92

Name	Focus Events	Status	
Mona McSharry	100m, 200m Breaststroke	OQT achieved 100m Breaststroke (Worlds Japan)	
Ellen Walshe	200m, 400m Individual Medley, 100m Butterfly	OQT achieved 200m IM (Worlds Japan)	
Daniel Wiffen	400m, 800m, 1500m Freestyle	OQT achieved 800m & 1500m Freestyle (Worlds Japan)	
Victoria Catterson	100m & 200m Freestyle	Not qualified at this time	
Tom Fannon	50m Freestyle	Not qualified at this time	
Conor Ferguson	100m Backstroke	Not qualified at this time	
Darragh Greene	100m, 200m Breaststroke	Not qualified at this time	
Danielle Hill	100m Backstroke, 50m Freestyle	Not qualified at this time	
Shane Ryan	100m Backstroke, 100m Butterfly	Not qualified at this time	
John Shortt	200m Backstroke	Not qualified at this time	
Maria Godden	200m Backstroke	Not qualified at this time	
Nathan Wiffen	800m Freestyle	Not qualified at this time	
Relay	Women 4 x 100m Freestyle	Currently sit 15 <sup>th</sup> (inside Olympic qualification)	
Relay	Women 4 x 100m Medley	Currently sit 13 <sup>th</sup> (inside Olympic qualification)	
Relay	Men 4 x 100m Medley	Currently sit 13 <sup>th</sup> (inside Olympic qualification)	

### QUALIFICATION STATUS AND ATHLETES TO WATCH:

#### TAEKWONDO

In total, **128 athletes** will compete in the Paris taekwondo competition: 64 men and 64 women – exactly the same number as the previous editions of the Games. This figure includes host country quotas (two per gender) and Universality places (two per gender).

Following that, 120 remaining quota places will be allocated to the National Olympic Committees (NOCs) with a maximum number of eight (one per weight category, four per gender across all weight categories).

The qualification process is well underway for Taekwondo athletes, with Ireland's first Olympian in the sport, Jack Woolley, targeting qualification by the end of the year, as one of the top 5 Olympic ranked athletes, he competes in the -58kg category.

Taekwondo athletes are also represented internationally in other events, including Leroy Nsilu Dilandu who competed at the European Games, and will target the -68kg event (he normally competes in -75kg), Ryan Doyle also competes internationally, in the -80kg. They both will target the European qualifier in early 2024 specifically.

At Paris 2024 Taekwondo will take place at The Grand Palais, from the 7 - 10 August, with the -58kg event taking place on the 7<sup>th</sup> of August.

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE REMAINING					
WHEN	WHAT	WHERE	QUALIFYING		
2022 - December 2023	WT Olympic Ranking Final (40 athletes)	Grand Prix Final, worldwide	5 athletes each category		
2022- December 2023	WT Grand Slam Champions Series	Grand Prix Final, worldwide	1 athlete each category		
Early '24	European Olympic qualifying event	ТВС	2 athletes each category		

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE REMAINING

ATHLETE	DISCIPLINE	FROM	STATUS
Jack Woolley	-58kg	Dublin	Tokyo 2020 Olympian
Leroy Dilandu	-68kg	Dublin	Carded athlete, European Games athlete in -74kg
Ryan Doyle	-80kg	Dublin	Carded athlete

#### QUALIFICATION STANDARD MET

None met yet.

#### TRIATHLON

In total, **110 athletes** will compete in the Paris 2024 triathlon competition. As the host country, France will receive four quota places - two for men and two for women - while two per gender will be set aside for Universality Places which will be decided by the Tripartite Commission.

Ten NOCs will each earn four quota spots (2 per gender) through the mixed relay qualification pathway.

The other 102 quota places will be allocated based on competitions leading up to the Games, with a maximum of six quota places per National Olympic Committee (NOC) - three for men and three for women. There are a number of qualification events for both the Individual (Male & Female) and Mixed Triathlon Relay event.

WORLD TRIATHLON INDIVIDUAL EVENT (Between 27 May 2022 - 27 May 2024)

Quota places for NOCs will be allocated to the 26 highest-ranked athletes in the rankings

The triathlon events will be staged in the heart of Paris, with the famed Pont Alexandre III bridge and the Seine River serving as the location for the 1500m swimming stage of the race. Competition takes place from the 30-31 July and the Mixed Relay on the  $5^{th}$  of August.

QUALIFICATIO	QUALIFICATION TIMELINE					
DISCIPLINES	WHEN	EVENT	WHERE	WHAT		
Mixed Relay Triathlon	26/6/2022	World Triathlon Relay Championships	Montreal, Canada	2 quota places per gender - note need to enter two men/women		
Mixed Relay Triathlon	13-16/7/2023	World Triathlon Relay Championships, 2023	Hamburg, Germany	2 quota places per gender - note need to enter two men/women		
Mixed Triathlon Relay	25 March 2024	World Triathlon Mixed Relay Qualification Ranking	World			
Individual Triathlon	27 May 2022 – 27 May 2024	World Triathlon Olympic Ranking Qualification Period	World			

ATHLETES TARGETING QUALIFICATION & STATUS					
ATHLETE	DISCIPLINE	FROM	STATUS		
Russell White	Individual Triathlon	Banbridge	World Triathlon Ranking 128 (as of 18/09/23)		
Erin McConnell	Individual Triathlon	Belfast	World Ranking 175 (as of 18/09/23)		
James Edgar	Individual Triathlon	Belfast	National Champion, World Triathlon Individual Olympic Ranking <b>276</b> (as of 18/09/23)		
Team Ireland	Mixed Relay	ТВС	Currently ranked 41 <sup>st</sup> .		

#### WEIGHTLIFTING

In total, 120 athletes competing in 10 categories (five for women and five for men, four less in total than Tokyo 2020). The full guide as to how to qualify for Paris is <u>HERE</u>.

As the host country, France will be allocated four quota places (two for men and two for women). There will also be 10 quota places reserved for continental representation and six quota places for Universality places which will be decided by the Tripartite Commission in 2024. Each NOC will only be able to qualify one athlete per weight class, and three per gender across all weight categories - down from four each at Tokyo 2020.

For each weight category established at Paris 2024, a maximum of 12 athletes will compete - two less in each category than Tokyo 2020. The weightlifting at the Games will take place in the South Paris Arena #6 and take place on the 7<sup>th</sup> of August.

Athletes must compete in a minimum of three listed events, or two for those seeking universality.

#### QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

DISCIPLINES	WHEN	EVENT	WHERE	WHAT
Women's 49kg		IWF Continental ranking	N/A	1 spot (after the 10 world ranked spots)
Women's 49kg	28 April '24	IWF Olympic Ranking	N/A	10 quota spots

#### ATHLETES TARGETING QUALIFICATION & STATUS

ATHLETE	DISCIPLINE	FROM	STATUS
Tham Nguyen	Weightlifting – Women's 49kg	Dublin	National & International athlete, OFI Make A Difference Fund Athlete. Tham is currently ranked 20 <sup>th</sup> in the Olympic ranking.

## PROVISIONAL QUALIFICATION PERIOD

SPORT	ТҮРЕ	QUALIFICATION ENDS	NOMINATION DATE (subject to there being no appeals)	TEAM ANNOUNCEMENT
Archery	Event/Rank	Final event TBC	TBC (dependent on date of final qualification event)	TBC
Artistic Gymnastics	Event/Rank	Ends May 2024	TBC (dependent on date of final qualification event)	ТВС
Athletics – Track	Time/Rank	30 June 2024	ТВС	July 2024
Athletics – Marathon	Time/Rank	8 May 2024	ТВС	ТВС
Athletics – Race Walk	Time/Rank	30 June 2024	ТВС	July 2024
Badminton	Rank	30 April 2024	13 May	ТВС
Boxing	Event	31 May 2024	Early June	ТВС
Canoeing – Slalom	Event	Sept 2023	TBC (awaiting national process from NF)	ТВС
Canoeing - Sprint	Event/Rank	Qualification events TBC	TBC (dependent on date of final qualification event)	ТВС
Cycling – Road	Rank	17 Oct 2023	13 June	ТВС
Cycling – BMX	Rank	2 June 2024	13 June	ТВС
Cycling – Track	Rank	14 April 2024	3 May	ТВС
Cycling – Mountain Bike	Rank	26 May 2024	13 June	ТВС
Diving	Rank	18 Feb 2024	TBC post Feb 24	ТВС
Equestrian – Dressage	Event	31 Dec 2023	твс	ТВС
Equestrian – Eventing	Event	Team Qualified	ТВС	ТВС
Equestrian – Showjumping	Event	Team Qualified	ТВС	ТВС
Hockey – Men/Women	Event	21 Jan 2024	12 June	ТВС
Golf – Men/Women	Rank	18 June 2024 (m) 25 June 2024 (w)	ТВС	ТВС
Judo	Rank	23 June 2024	26 June	ТВС
Modern Pentathlon	Event/Rank	17 June 2024	23 June	ТВС
Rowing	Event	21 May 2024	18 June	ТВС

#### Team qualification link: https://www.paris2024.org/en/team-sports-qualification/

Rugby Sevens	Event/Rank	June 2024	ТВС	ТВС
Sailing	Event/Rank	27 April 2024	TBC (dependent on whether last regatta is required)	ТВС
Shooting	Event/Rank	9 June 2024	16 June	ТВС
Swimming	Event/Time	23 June 2024	TBC (dependent on date of SI nationals)	ТВС
Taekwondo	Event/Rank	2 March 2024	TBC (dependent on which stage qualification is achieved at)	ТВС
Triathlon	Rank	27 May 2024	8 June	ТВС
Weightlifting	Rank	24 May 2024	28 May	ТВС

Sailing – ends April 2020	Shooting – end May 2024	Swimming – ends June 2020
Taekwondo – ends April 2020	Triathlon – ends May 2024	