

2010 Youth Olympic Qualification

Date: August 14-26, 2010

Venue: Singapore

Athlete Eligibility:

Age: 15-16 years old, born between January 1 1994 and December 31, 1995

Canadian Olympic Committee Quota:

There is an overall quota of 70 athletes for Canada across all sports. Sailing has been allocated a quota of **2 athletes** and 1 support staff. The CYA is the sole authority for nominating eligible athletes to the COC.

ISAF nationality rules apply.

Selection of athletes is a two step process

Step 1 – Qualify the country for a berth (the chart below outlines the country qualification process)

Region	Date	Event	Venue	Nation	Qualification Events	Quota
North America & Caribbean						
NA and Caribbean Region	TBC	Byte CII Midwinter's/ North American Championship		Cayman Islands	Boys 1 Person dinghy Girls 1 person dinghy	4 4
NA and Caribbean Region	Feb 25-28, 2010	Techno 293 North American Championship	Quintana Roo	Mexico	Boys windsurfer Girls windsurfer	2 2
Byte CII WC YOQE	April 2-6, 2010	Byte CII World Championship	Cannes	France	Boys 1 Person dinghy Girls 1 person dinghy	6 6
Techno 293 WC YOQE	Easter 2010 TBC	Youth Olympic Qualifying Event		France	Boys windsurfer Girls windsurfer	3 3

Event	Equipment	Athlete Quota
Boys Windsurfer	Techno 293	20
Girls Windsurfer	Techno 293	20
Boys One Person Dinghy	Byte CII	30
Girls One Person Dinghy	Byte CII	30

- a) Competitors qualify their National Olympic Committee (NOC) at the designated qualification events.
- b) Canada must qualify via the above outlined qualification events to be eligible to nominate an athlete to the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC).
- c) Upon qualification the Canadian Yachting Association will nominate selected athletes to the COC for inclusion in the Canadian Youth Olympic Team.

- d) Continental Qualification Events – only nations within that continent are eligible to qualify at these events (North America & Caribbean region for Canada)
- e) The World Championships (WC YOQE) is open and countries not previously qualified through continental qualification can qualify via these events.
- f) The Host nation automatically qualifies one male and one female per event.

Step 2 – Individual athlete selection

CYA Internal Selection process:

With a quota of 2 athletes, the following process will be used to determine the selection of athletes:

- a) Age eligible athletes that qualify Canada via the regional qualifier will be ranked ahead of those athletes that qualify via the World Qualifier (WC YOQE)
- b) If no classes are qualified via the regional qualifier, the World Qualifier (WC YOQE) will be used to determine class and athlete qualification (see point f)
- c) If only one class qualifies via the regional qualifier the top placing eligible athlete from the qualified class will be nominated to represent Canada at the Youth Olympics, see point (h) for continued process for non qualified classes.
- d) If two classes qualify via the regional qualifier the top placing eligible athletes in each qualified class will be nominated to represent Canada at the Youth Olympics, and the trials will be considered to be over.
- e) If three or four classes qualify via the regional qualifier, the top placing eligible athletes in the qualified classes will be rank ordered based on athlete finish/overall fleet size. The two top ranked classes/athletes will be nominated to represent Canada at the Youth Olympics.
- f) Following the completion of the regional qualifiers, if no Canadian athletes have qualified then the World Qualifier (WC YOQE) for each class will be used to determine the Canadian representatives.
- g) At the WC YOQE, the top placing eligible athletes who meet the qualification standards will be ranked based on athlete finish position /overall fleet size at the event. The first eligible Canadian finisher in the top ranked class will be nominated to represent Canada at the Youth Olympics, and the first eligible Canadian finisher in the second ranked class will be nominated to the Youth Olympic team.
- h) All remaining classes that did not qualify via the regional's (see point c) will be rank ordered based on athlete finish/overall fleet size thus determining class ranking.. The top performer in the top ranked non-previously qualified class will be nominated to represent Canada at the Youth Olympics.
- i) In the event that additional quota spots come available from the Canadian Olympic Committee, these berths will be filled first from regional qualifiers and secondly from World's qualifiers using the same qualification process modified to the number of quota spots available.
- j) The High Performance Director in consultation with the Athlete Development Committee will nominate qualified athletes to the COC for inclusion on the 2010 Youth Olympic Team in accordance with these guidelines.

Appeals:

Any decision made by CYA or its Committees may be appealed by the athlete to the CYA Board of Directors for further review. The Board of Directors may appoint a separate panel of no less than 3 people to review the decision. No member of the Board who's decision is being appealed may sit on the Board or Panel reviewing the decision. Such an appeal to the Board of Directors must be made within 15 days of the athlete becoming aware of the decision he/she is asking to be reviewed. The hearing of appeals made after this 15 day period shall be at the sole and absolute discretion of the CYA Board of Directors. A request to the Board for a review shall be made in writing by the Athlete and addressed to the Executive Director of CYA, with a copy to the President, and such written request shall set out in reasonable detail the grounds on which the Athlete believes that the original decision is wrong and why it should be reviewed by the CYA Board of Directors. The matter shall be reviewed and adjudicated upon by the Board of Directors at its earliest convenience, accounting for any relevant deadlines. The CYA Board of Directors, in its discretion, may request the presence at its meeting of the involved parties, including the Athlete, or may request participation in the meeting by conference telephone call or in any other manner which is reasonable in light of the particular circumstances. The Athlete shall have the right to make submissions to the Board of Directors either in writing, in person, by teleconference or by some other means determined by the Board, which in the discretion of the Board is deemed appropriate. The decision of the CYA Board of Directors shall be communicated to the Athlete in writing by either the Executive Director or the President of the CYA.

If an Athlete disputes a decision of the CYA Board of Directors, the Athlete shall be entitled to refer the matter to final binding arbitration co-ordinated by the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) except in the case of carding decision which are subject to the appeal procedure set out in the Athlete Assistance Program Policies and Procedures. In the case of arbitration by SDRCC the arbitration will be conducted in accordance with the arbitration rules provided from time to time by SDRCC, and both the Athlete and CYA agree to execute an arbitration agreement in the standard form requested by SDRCC under its Alternate Dispute Resolution Program. The Athlete and CYA agree that the arbitration panel may receive submissions on costs and make a determination in respect to costs, and both the Athlete and CYA agree that either party may be required to pay the costs of arbitration of the other party, including reasonable legal fees, as a result of such determination. The Athlete and CYA agree that the decision of the arbitration panel established by the SDRCC shall be final and binding upon the party to this agreement with no further recourse by either party to any court of competent jurisdiction.