

## **LATE ATHLETE REPLACEMENT POLICY FOR THE RIO 2016 OLYMPIC GAMES**

This policy will apply to Athletes of National Olympic Committees attending the Games of the XXXI Olympiad in Rio de Janeiro 2016 (the 'Rio 2016 Games')

The deadline for the Final Entries list of participating Athletes in the Rio 2016 Games (sport entries deadline) is 23:59 Rio de Janeiro time (GMT-4) 18 July 2016.

After the sport entries deadline, the Late Athlete Replacement policy comes into force, and will be strictly enforced. Late Athlete Replacement may only occur up to the relevant sport/discipline/event Technical Meeting, unless otherwise stated in the sport specific appendix (Appendix 1).

This policy is only applicable for those sports/disciplines where the quota place has been allocated to the NOC.

For those sports/disciplines in which the quota place is allocated by name to an Athlete a specific slot reallocation deadline has been included in the Qualification Systems per discipline.

From 19 July 2016 00:00 Rio de Janeiro time (GMT-4) the Rio 2016 Organising Committee for the Olympic Games (Rio 2016) may authorise a permanent replacement of an Athlete by another Athlete in the same sport, discipline and event. Each decision will be made after consultation with the relevant International Federation (IF), and its respective Medical expert and, when deemed appropriate, the International Olympic Committee (IOC). Such replacement will only occur where there are urgent medical conditions preventing participation of an Athlete, or otherwise on a case-by-case basis for exceptional circumstances.

Late Athlete Replacement is possible only provided that:

- The replacement Athlete meets the eligibility conditions and qualification criteria to take part in the Rio 2016 Olympic Games, as stipulated in the "Qualification Systems – Games of the XXXI Olympiad – Rio de Janeiro 2016" per sport/disciplines published in 2014, and regularly updated by the IOC;
- The NOC of the replacement Athlete had applied successfully for accreditation for the Athlete prior to 29 April 2016 (accreditation application deadline). As such, the replacement Athlete has been registered by Rio 2016 in the "NOC's Athlete Accreditation Long List"; and
- No doping control issues are pending concerning the replacement Athlete

In addition, the following procedure must be followed and the required forms submitted within the timeframe stated in this policy:

- The "Late Athlete Replacement Form" must be completed by the relevant NOC, for the Athlete being replaced and the replacement Athlete; and
- The "Sport Entry Form" must be completed and submitted by the relevant NOC, for the replacement Athlete; and
- The "Eligibility Conditions Form (ECF)" including the "Parental/Legal Guardian Acknowledgement for Minors" form must be completed and submitted by the relevant NOC for the replacement Athlete. The NOC must submit a scanned copy of the ECF electronically and bring the original, signed and stamped to Rio 2016 ACR Offices.
- The accreditation card of the replaced Athlete must be returned to an Accreditation Centre, in order to allow for entitlements to be transferred to the replacement Athlete. Following the transfer, the replaced Athlete's accreditation will be deactivated unless the replacement was by a P athlete, in which case entitlements may be swapped upon the decision of the NOC.

Applications with missing information will not be processed.

P alternate Athletes:

Before the sport specific deadlines set in Appendix 1, the NOCs have the possibility to activate their P alternate athletes or to use a replacement from the long list.

During the competition, As per the "*Accreditation at the Olympic Games – Detailed specifications*", the NOCs can activate P alternate athletes in the following sports and disciplines: Athletics, Cycling BMX, Cycling Track, Equestrian, Fencing, Handball, Football, Hockey, Rowing, and Table Tennis.

In case a P alternate Athlete should be in need of a Late Athlete Replacement, NOCs will be allowed to replace the Athlete with another P, before the start of competition, by applying the above LAR process.

All documentation and queries regarding this matter should be addressed to Rio 2016 Sports Entries.

NOCs may submit a Late Athlete Replacement Form with all relevant documentation by e-mail or in person to:

Rio 2016 - Sport Entries Office at the Welcome Centre in the Olympic Village

Tel: +5521-20165287

Hotline: +5521-20166656

E-mail: [olympicsportsentries@rio2016.com](mailto:olympicsportsentries@rio2016.com)

This policy is subject to further change by the IOC for exceptional circumstances.