



QUALIFICATION CRITERIA FOR THE 2016 ETU EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

According to the ITU and ETU Rules, please find the qualification Criteria for the 2016 European Championships:

★ TRIATHLON ELITE (27-28-29 MAY 2016, LISBON, PORTUGAL)

1. 30 days prior to the race - Determination of team sizes, and triathletes eligible. 27 April 2016 is the date of 30 days prior to the European Championships. ETU will inform the National Federations about the quotas as soon as they are available.
2. 20 days prior to the race - Last day to receive wild card petitions. According to the rules, ETU will announce quotas for 60-60 female and male athletes. The start list will be filled up to 75-75 women and men. NFs that do not have enough spots according to the qualification have to apply for wild card(s). The team sizes cannot be more than 5-5 women and men. When NFs are asking for wild cards, the request has to contain the name of the athletes and need to be sent to entries@triathlon.org no later than 6 May 2016.
3. 20 days prior to the race - Answer to the NFs indicating the number of Triathletes competing in their team. If any of the NFs are not using all of their quotas allocated according to the rules, please send a note to the ETU Headquarters to liberate the position(s) for other athlete(s) before 7 May 2016.
4. Invitations: 15 days (12 May) before the first competition day, the ITU invitation panel will award invitations based on, but not limited to, the request emailed by respective National Federation at entries@triathlon.org and they will be moved to the start list. The National Federation quota may be increased by being award invitation:
 - (i) The ITU invitation panel is composed by:
 - The Continental Confederation Secretary General;
 - A representative of the ITU Sport Department
 - A representative of the Continental Confederation Development.

Please note that there will be mixed team events with 4 athletes (two men, two women) per team.

★ TRIATHLON JUNIOR (27-28-29 MAY 2016, LISBON, PORTUGAL)

1. National Federations will enter athletes in the wait list. 33 days (24 April 2016) before the race the start list will be produced including a maximum of athletes per National Federation as per the following chart:



Federation	Junior	
	Male	Female
Danish Triathlon Federation	3	3
Federacion Espanola de Triatlon	3	3
Federation Francaise de Triathlon	5	5
Deutsche Triathlon Union	4	5
British Triathlon Federation	4	2
Federazione Italiana Triathlon	2	4
Dutch Triathlon Federation	2	3
Norwegian Triathlon Federation	4	2
Federacao de Triatlo de Portugal	3	3
Russian Triathlon Federation	3	4
Swiss Triathlon Federation	3	4

All the other National Federations have 2-2 spots (in both genders). Please note that there will be mixed team events with 4 athletes (two men, two women) per team.

2. Invitations: 26 days (1 May) before the first competition day, the ITU invitation panel will award invitations based on, but not limited to, the request emailed by respective National Federation at entries@triathlon.org and they will be moved to the start list. The National Federation quota may be increased by being awarded invitations:

The ITU invitation panel is composed by:

- The Continental Confederation Secretary General;
- A representative of the ITU Sport Department
- A representative of the Continental Confederation Development

The maximum number of athletes per National Federation and per gender, including invitations, is 5.

★ **TRIATHLON AGE GROUP** (27-28-29 MAY 2016, LISBON, PORTUGAL)

Every National Federation has the right to enter twenty (20) athletes per 5 year age category per gender. The host nation has the right to enter twenty-five (25) athletes per 5 year age category.

★ **TRIATHLON U23** (18-19 JUNE 2016, BURGAS, BULGARIA)

1. National Federations will enter athletes in the wait list. 33 days (16 May 2016) before the race the start list will be produced including a maximum of athletes per National Federation as per the following chart:



Federation	U23	
	Male	Female
Belgian Triathlon & Duathlon Federation	4	3
Bulgarian Triathlon Federation	4	4
Federacion Espanola de Triatlon	6	5
Deutsche Triathlon Union	5	3
British Triathlon Federation	4	6
Hungarian Triathlon Union	4	3
Israeli Triathlon Association	4	3
Federazione Italiana Triathlon	6	6
Federacao de Triatlo de Portugal	5	5
Russian Triathlon Federation	3	5
Swiss Triathlon Federation	5	4

All the other National Federations have 3-3 spots (in both genders). Please note that there will be mixed team events with 4 athletes (two men, two women) per team.

2. Invitations: 26 days before the first competition day, the ITU invitation panel will award invitations based on, but not limited to, the request emailed by respective National Federation at entries@triathlon.org and they will be moved to the start list. The National Federation quota may be increased by being awarded invitations:

The ITU invitation panel is composed by:

- The Continental Confederation Secretary General;
- A representative of the ITU Sport Department
- A representative of the Continental Confederation Development

. The maximum number of athletes per National Federation and per gender, including invitations, is 6.

★ **SPRINT TRIATHLON EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (26 JUNE 2016, CHÂTEAURoux, FRANCE)**

1. 30 days prior to the race - Determination of team sizes, and triathletes eligible. 27 May 2016 is the date of 30 days prior to the European Championships. ETU will inform the National Federations about the quotas as soon as they are available.
2. 20 days prior to the race - Last day to receive wild card petitions. According to the rules, ETU will announce quotas for 60-60 female and male athletes. The start list will be filled up to 75-75 women and men. NFs that do not have enough spots according to the qualification have to apply for wild card(s). The team sizes cannot be more than 5-5 women and men. When NFs are asking for wild cards, the request has to contain the name of the athletes and need to be sent to entries@triathlon.org no later than 6 May 2016.
3. 20 days prior to the race - Answer to the NFs indicating the number of Triathletes competing in their team. If any of the NFs are not using all of their quotas allocated according to the rules, please send a note to the ETU Headquarters to liberate the position(s) for other athlete(s) before 6 June 2016.
4. Invitations. 26 days (31 May) before the first competition day, the ITU invitation panel will award invitations based on, but not limited to, the request emailed by respective National



Federation at entries@triathlon.org and they will be moved to the start list. The National Federation quota may be increased by being awarded invitations:

The ITU invitation panel is composed by:

- The Continental Confederation Secretary General;
- A representative of the ITU Sport Department
- A representative of the Continental Confederation Development

★ **TRIATHLON YOUTH EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (2-5 JULY 2016, TISZAUJVAROS, HUNGARY)**

1. Individual event

- 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 (30 May 2016);
- b) 32 days before the first competition day, the men's and women's start lists containing a maximum of 114 athletes will be published on www.triathlon.org. The athletes will be selected according to the following order:

A number of athletes per National Federation according to the domestic selection process. This number is fixed according to National Federations participation on the Youth Continental Championships the three previous years.

Countries	Quota
Austria, Spain, Great Britain, Hungary, Portugal and Russia	6 athletes
Belgium, Belarus, Czech Republic, Estonia, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Slovenia, Switzerland, Sweden, Turkey and Ukraine	4 athletes
All other National Federations	2 athletes

- c) Athletes exceeding the quota will remain in the waiting list
- d) Invitations: 15 days (17 June) before the first competition day, the ITU invitation panel will award invitations based on, but not limited to, the requests emailed by respective National Federations to entries@triathlon.org and they will be moved to the start list. The National Federation quota may be increased by being awarded invitations;
The ITU Invitation Panel is composed by:
 - The Continental Confederation Secretary General;
 - A representative of ITU Sport Department;
 - A representative of Continental Confederation Development.
- e) Late Entries: Entries received 31 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;
- f) Substitutions: National Federation will be allowed to substitute their athletes in the start list. The names of the athletes involved in the substitution must be emailed to entries@triathlon.org;
- g) Athletes exceeding the maximum National Federation quota will be admitted in the start list only if no other athletes remain in the waiting list. The acceptance of athletes exceeding the NF quota will start after the invitations allocation and will follow the order



of one athlete per NF in alphabetical order of NOC codes, starting by host NF. Once all affected NFs will have one more athlete than the maximum NF quota in the start list, the second exceeding athletes will be moved to the start list, etc.

- h) National Federations withdrawing athletes 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) Athlete 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;
- 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;

2. Mixed team Relay event

- a) The National Federations must enter the teams into the wait list via the ITU online entry system no less than 33 days before the competition day (30May 2016);
- b) 32 days before the competition day, the mixed relay start list containing a maximum of 28 teams will be published on www.triathlon.org. The teams will be selected according to the following order:
 - (i) One team representing the host NF;
 - (ii) One team per NF with at least one team participating in the 2015 Continental Championships, excluding the host NF;
 - (iii) One team per NF not qualified by the previous inserts. A random draw will be produced if necessary.
- c) Invitations: 15 days before the competition day, the ITU invitation panel will award invitations based on, but not limited to, the requests emailed by respective National Federations to entries@triathlon.org and they will be moved to the start list. The National Federation quota may be increased by being awarded invitations;
The ITU Invitation Panel is composed by:
 - The Continental Confederation Secretary General;
 - A representative of ITU Sport Department;
 - A representative of Continental Confederation Development.
- d) Late Entries: Entries received 31 or fewer days before the competition day will be placed at the bottom of the wait list at the time the National Federation entered the team into the ITU online entry system;
- e) If the start list will contain less than 30 teams 10 days before the competition, the remaining spots will be filled as follows:
 - (i) International teams. The number will be calculated considering the athletes entered in the individual event from NFs which are not present in the Mixed Team Relay start list. The teams' composition will be decided according to the results of the individual events.



- (ii) Second teams per NF according to the order indicated in b)
- f) If the start list will contain less than 30 teams by the race briefing, International teams may be composed, with any remaining athletes, selecting first athletes from NF with no teams in the start list and according to the results in the individual events

★ **TRIATHLON CLUB EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS MIXED RELAY (3 SEPTEMBER 2016, BANYOLES, SPAIN)**

- a) There are a maximum of 20 slots available;
- b) There are 2 slots for each National Federation classified in Cat. 5. The ETU Executive Board therefore invites all cat. 5 NFs (Belgium, Denmark, France, Italy, Germany, Great Britain, the Netherlands, Russia, Spain and Switzerland) to send no later than 15 April 2016, the amount of slots they will take to the ETU office (etu_hq@etu.com).
- c) If some Cat 5 National Federations do not accept the 2 slots, the ETU office will inform all cat. 4 NFs, the amount of slots available. They can sign in for the additional slots no later than 6 May 2016.
- d) The National Federation have to send the names of the selected clubs to the ETU office by 1 July 2016.
- e) A long list of athletes (10 maximum) should be send to the ETU office 33 days prior to the event (1 August 2016) for checking purposes. By the race briefing the teams will declare the team composition with the restriction of foreign athletes in ETU regulations.

★ **MULTISPORT EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. Powerman Long Distance Duathlon European Championships (Copenhagen (DEN), 7-8 May 2016), Challenge Long Distance (Poznan (POL), 24 July) and Middle Distance European Championships (Walchsee (AUT), 4 September)

The maximum quota of Elite athletes in each of the men's and women's events per National Federation is 6 athletes per category.

The maximum quota for Age Group athletes in each of the men's and women's events per National Federation is 20 athletes per 5-year age group band. There is no restriction on the amount of Age Group athletes for the host country.

2. Cross Duathlon European Championships (Târgu Mures (ROU), 23-24 April), Duathlon European Championships (Kalkar (GER), 16-17 April), Aquathlon European Championships (Châteauroux (FRA), 25 June), Cross Triathlon European Championships (Vallée de Joux (SUI), 25 June)

The maximum quota of Elite, U23 and junior athletes in the men's and women's event per National Federation is 6 athletes per category.

The maximum quota for Age Group athletes in each of the men's and women's events per National Federation is 20 athletes per 5-year age group band. There is no restriction on the amount of Age Group athletes for the host country.

ETU Executive Board,
4 February 2016