

# BADMINTON WORLD FEDERATION

# **AIRBADMINTON**



# **BWF Invitation Commission**

Allocation Procedures & Regulations

#### 1. Introduction

The BWF Invitation Commission (hereafter the "Commission"), for the ANOC World Beach Games 2023, is set-up in accordance with the AirBadminton Qualification System as approved and published by the ANOC and the BWF.

As per Section D.3.1 of the Qualification System, the objective of the Commission is to recommend one (1) quota place (three (3) athletes), for each gender, as an invitation quota place to eligible NOC(s), to participate in the AirBadminton competition at the ANOC World Beach Games 2023.

The allocation of the invitation quota places is in the absolute discretion of the ANOC World Beach Games 2023 Invitation Commission provided the invited NOC(s) comply with the eligibility criteria.

The Commission is also the competent body to reallocate any remaining quota that have not been specifically defined in the Qualification System.

## 2. Eligibility

Selected NOC(s) and athletes must comply with the eligibility criteria stipulated in Section C of the Qualification System.

#### 2.1 BWF Eligibility Criteria

NOCs may only nominate athletes to participate in the ANOC World Beach Games 2023 if their country's National Badminton Association is a current BWF member in Good Standing (as per BWF Statutes). To be eligible to participate in the ANOC World Beach Games 2023, athletes must be in Good Standing with their Member Association and the BWF. In relation to Clause 6 of the BWF General Competition Regulations on International Representation, selected athletes must also be eligible to represent the nominating country.

NOCs can nominate and enter different athletes at the ANOC World Beach Games than those who played the Continental Qualification Competitions.

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#### 3. Process and Timeline

As per Section G of the Qualification System, the Commission shall forward the name of the selected NOC(s) to the ANOC and the ANOC World Beach Games Invitation Commission by  $1^{\text{st}}$  July 2023. The allocation of the Invitation quota places is then the absolute discretion of the ANOC World Beach Games Invitation Commission. The selected NOC(s) will have up to  $4^{\text{th}}$  July 2023 to either accept or decline their invitation.

In case an invitation is declined, the quota shall be reallocated as per Section F of the Qualification System.

#### 4. Composition

The BWF Invitation Commission shall be composed of the following persons:

• Chairperson: Mr. Thomas Lund – BWF Secretary General

• Members: Mr. João Matos – BWF Vice-President

Mr. Zhang Jun – BWF Events Committee Chairperson

Mr. Ian Wright – BWF Development Director

#### 5. Invitation Criteria

The Commission shall base its recommendation of the NOC(s) to be invited, at the ANOC World Beach Games 2023, on the following criteria:

- **Eligibility**: As per ANOC, BWF and NOC eligibility criteria as defined by Section 2 of these Regulations and Section C of the Qualification System.
- **Technical level**: To enable NOCs and athletes to complete safely and with dignity at the games thus demonstrating the underlying principles of high-level badminton, through AirBadminton.
- **Gender Balance**: To choose one (1) men's and one (1) women's quota, that is, 3 men and 3 women either from one (1) NOC or two (2) different NOCs.
- **Continental Balance:** As far as possible, to have all five (5) Continental Confederation members represented at the games.
- **Participation**: NOC's Member Association must have participated, in any triples event, at a Continental Qualification Competition, except if no Continental event was organised for that region.
- **Strategic Intention:** Member Association should be developing a national AirBadminton development plan and have demonstrated strong willingness to develop AirBadminton locally by allocating resources and organising activities and competitions.
- **Competition Rationale:** To facilitate the timely and successful organisation of the AirBadminton tournament at the games in relation to the draw, technical manpower, timings, venue/fop capacity and other arrangements at the event.

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The above-mentioned criteria shall be taken into consideration by the Commission altogether, without any pre-established order of priority or preference.

## 6. Amendments

The BWF reserves the right to amend any part of these Regulations it deems necessary to ensure the successful organisation of the AirBadminton competition at the ANOC World Beach Games 2023.

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