



# Qualification for the World Orienteering Championships

Actioning 2012 General Assembly  
Decision

# 2012 GA Decision

- Sprint Qualification & Final
- Mixed Sprint Relay
- Long Final
- Middle Final
- Relay
- Removal of qualification for long & middle

# When?

- 2014 World Championships **Italy**

# Qualification – Middle & Long

- Division 1: Nations ranked 1 to 8 – 3 places.
- Division 2: Nations ranked 9 to 22 – 2 places.
- Division 3: Nations ranked 23+ - 1 place.
  
- Men and Women treated separately for determining qualification rank.
- Nation slots for long distance AND middle distance

# Qualification – Initial Set Up

- Use World Orienteering Championship results from the preceding 2 years (2012 and 2013), with the same point score to be used for long and middle qualification.
- Middle distance, long distance and relay results used.

# Moving Between Divisions

- At the end of each year, nations move between divisions as follows, based on points from the 2 previous years.
- The highest-scoring country from Division 2 promoted to Division 1 for the following year.
- The lowest-scoring country from Division 1 relegated to Division 2 for the following year.
- 2 highest-scoring countries from Division 3 promoted to Division 2 for the following year.
- 2 lowest-scoring countries from Division 2 relegated to Division 3 for the following year.

# Moving Between Divisions

- If a country outside the automatically promoted group outscores a country outside the automatically relegated group – despite having fewer runners to earn points (e.g. if the 2nd highest-scoring country in Division 2 outscores the 2nd lowest-scoring country in Division 1) – those countries would also exchange divisions.

# Personal Places

- World Champion in the distance from last WOC.
- Regional Champion in the distance from most recent IOF Regional Championships



# Host Nation

- Guaranteed 3 places.

# Start Order For Middle/Long

- Decided by World Ranking position at a defined time immediately prior to the race.
- A **RED** start group of best ranked runners as a randomised start order group.
- Randomised groups through start list.

# Qualification System

- **Individual:** 120 for 1st place, 100 for 2nd, 80 for 3rd, 70-65-60-57-55-53-51 for positions 4-10, then 50-49-...-1 for positions 11-60.
- **Initial set-up:** places 16-20 in the qualification races would earn 15-12-9-6-3.
- Those who qualify for the final but do not record a result in the final would receive the points for last place in the final (normally 16).

# Qualification System

- **Relay:** 240 for 1st place, 160 for 2nd, 130 for 3rd, 114 for 4th, 106 for 5th, then 100-96-...-8-4 for positions 6-30.
- Only best 3 (2,1) runners should score points if the country is in Division 1 (2 or 3 respectively).