



**FISA Olympic Rowing Qualification Regatta
for the Americas
22nd – 24th March 2016
Place: Valparaiso, Chile
Bulletin N^o. 1**

GENERAL INFORMATION

Organizing Committee (O.C.)

Chilean Rowing Federation

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VISA Information

If you require a VISA to enter Chile, please **send a request for an 'Invitation' letter to cristian.gomez.c@gmail.com**

Be aware that the Visa issuing process takes not less than 20 days. For information please contact the Chilean Embassy in your country.

INFORMATION FOR COACHES AND ATHLETES

Entry Deadline with FISA: Monday 7th March 2016

DRAW: Monday 21st March 2016

Time: 15.00 hr

Location: Team Managers Meeting Room - Curauma

Only rowers eligible under the eligibility rules of the International Olympic Committee may represent their country at the Continental Qualification Regatta for the Olympic Games. Every competitor must be able to prove this eligibility. (FISA Rule 19 and Olympic Charter Rule 41 and Bye-law)

** 2016 Americas Olympic Qualification Regatta Entry form attached.*

Please send the entry form to daniela.oronova@fisa.org (no later than 7th March 2016).

FISA will only accept entries for the Continental Qualification Regattas that are received by the fixed closing date. The entries should be accompanied by a letter from the NOC confirming that the rowers entered are eligible according to the above paragraph.

Relevant webpage for Rio2016:

<http://www.worldrowing.com/events/2016-olympic-games-regatta/event-information>

Link to latest qualification document:

http://www.worldrowing.com/mm/Document/General/General/11/91/40/2015-06-Rio2016-QualificationSystem-FINAL-Rowing-EN_Neutral.pdf

Events and Schedule

The competition will consist of the following events:

Men's Single Sculls (M1x)

Women's Single Sculls (W1x)

Lightweight Women's Double Sculls (LW2x)

Lightweight Men's Double Sculls (LM2x)



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Olympic Qualification Quota Places

The number of Olympic qualification places available on the Americas Olympic Qualification Regatta is as follows:

M1x	6 places
W1x	6 places
LM2x	3 places
LW2x	3 places

NOTE: A NOC may only qualify a maximum of one (1) Men's and one (1) Women's boat. If two (2) boats in the same gender from a NOC meet the qualification criteria at a continental qualification regatta, the NOC will have two (2) weeks from notification to decide which boat to confirm for the Games.

For all qualification places the NOCs will have two (2) weeks after notification by FISA to confirm that they will take up the place, otherwise the quota place will be reallocated.

FISA Rules of Racing:

The competition will be held under the latest FISA Rules of Racing - follow link [The Official World Rowing Web Site - Publications/Rule Book](#)

Athlete Eligibility

To be eligible to participate in the Olympic qualification regatta for the Americas, all athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force. This includes Rule 41 of the Olympic Charter (Nationality of Competitors).

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Boats and Equipment:

Participating teams are encouraged to bring their own boats and sculling oars.

The Organising Committee will provide rental boats for participants who are unable to bring their own boats.

Teams requiring rental boats should contact Mr. Cristian Gomez Coronado as soon as possible for your boat rental.

The deadline for requesting rental boats is **20th February 2016**.

Requests after this date may not be able to be supplied.

Contact person:

Mr. Cristian Gomez Coronado at E-mail: cristian.gomez.c@gmail.com

The boat rental charges are within the following range of prices (USD/ per boat)

Single scull (1x)	\$25 to 35 USD/day
Light Weight Double scull (L2x)	\$35 to 45 USD/day

The blades of all oars/sculls must be painted on both sides in the colours of the respective Federations.

Though oars and sculls can be provided upon request (\$10 USD/ per day), each team is highly recommended to bring their own oars and sculls



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Official Opening Day of Venue

For teams not participating in the Olympic Solidarity Training Camp, the course will be open for official training from 17th March 2016 (subject to scheduling of the transport buses).

PROGRAM (Provisional)

	Date	Time
Heats	22 nd March	a.m.
Repechages	22 nd March	p.m.
Semi-finals	23 rd March	
Finals	24 th March	a.m.

* Racing will follow the FISA progression system. It is subject to change depending on final entry numbers.

OTHER INFORMATION

Shuttle Bus Service

Transportation between the Comodoro Arturo Merino Benítez International Airport and the Official Hotels will be provided free of charge from 17th March 2016 by the Organizing Committee.

**** To secure a pickup from the airport - teams must confirm their arrival and departure times to: cristian.gomez.c@gmail.com**

with a copy to: daniela.gomes@fisa.org

A shuttle bus service will be provided between the Official Hotel and the Competition venue from 18th March 2016.

Weather

The past average weather conditions in Valparaiso (Chile) in March are as follows:

Average daily maximum air temperature (°C)	25°C	Predominant wind direction	South-West
Average daily minimum air temperature (°C)	20°C	Average wind speed	6 m/s
Average relative humidity (%)	65%	Maximum wind speed	3 m/s
Average monthly rainfall (mm)	5.5 mm		

Please be advised that weather conditions may vary.



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Hotel Accommodation

The team accommodations will be at below hotels:

1. Hotel O'higgins (4****): 120 U\$/per person / per day / twin bed in room
135 \$/per person / per day / single bed
2. Hotel Marina del Rey (4****): 128 U\$/per person / per day / twin bed in room
145 U\$/per person / per day / single bed

Subject to availability.

* Full board is included in the price

** Lunches will be served at the Curauma Olympic Centre or at the Hotels.

Booking is required with the organising committee at: cristian.gomez.c@gmail.com

*** All accommodation bookings must be made through the Organising Committee. Please contact the O.C. to arrange your accommodation booking at: cristian.gomez.c@gmail.com

Liability

The participants are responsible for insurance costs of equipment and persons. The O.C. declines all liabilities for all kinds of damage, illness or injury in the area of and related to the regatta. Teams should carry adequate insurance to cover all such liabilities.

To make sure that all regatta arrangements are clear, please keep in regular contact with the Organising Committee & ask immediately if you have questions or need any help