

FIE Zonal qualifying events Tokyo Olympic Games

Preamble

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a) Places and dates

Europe:	24-25 April, 2021, Madrid (ESP)
Asia/Oceania:	To be determined
America:	29-30 April, 2021, Panama (PAN)
Africa:	23 April, 2021, Cairo (EGY)

b) Entries

Entries must exclusively be done on the FIE website until the following deadlines:

Europe:	17 of April, 2021, midnight Lausanne time
Asia/Oceania:	To be determined
America:	22 of April, 2021 midnight Lausanne time
Africa:	16 of April, 2021 midnight Lausanne time

Federations concerned can only enter one fencer per country and per weapon. Any entry not respecting this rule will be automatically annulled.

c) Nominations

The FIE nominates the President of the Directoire Technique, the referees and the Refereeing Commission delegate who will officiate at these competitions.

d) Subsidy

The organisers will pay for the expenses of the President of the Directoire Technique, the referees and the Refereeing Commission delegate.

The FIE will subsidise the implementation of the FIE outline of risk-mitigation requirements, one test for COVID-19 in the host country of the competition for all participants, and additional costs for the hotel rooms of athletes and referees (the price difference between a double room and a single room).

e) Rules

Only federations which do not have any athlete qualified through the team qualification or through the individual AOR by zone, in the weapon concerned, can participate in the respective zone qualifying events, with a maximum of one (1) athlete per federation per weapon.

In each weapon, the highest ranked fencer in the zone qualifying event will qualify according to the following quotas:

1 for Europe, 1 for Asia-Oceania, 1 for America, 1 for Africa.

f) Format of the competition

Taking into account the nature of this kind of tournament, and in order to ensure equal opportunities for all participants, the following principles must be applied:

1. One round of pools (with or without exempted fencers), followed by direct elimination.
2. The pools will be composed according to the official FIE ranking, and by drawing of lots for the eventual unranked fencers.
3. All the pools will be composed of the same number of fencers, in order to create equal hit indicator conditions for all participants.
4. After the round of pools, 20 to 30% of the fencers will be eliminated. Depending on the number of entered fencers, the best ranked fencers in the official FIE ranking could be exempted from the round of pools, and take the first seeded places in the direct elimination table.

The pools will be composed in the following manner based on the number of registered fencers:

Number of registered fencers	Pool	Exempted	Number of eliminated fencers
5-6-7	unique	none	1
8	7	1	2
9	7	2	2
10	2 x 5	none	2
11	2 x 5	1	2
12	2 x 6	none	3
13	2 x 6	1	3
14	2 x 7	none	4
15	2 x 7	1	4
16	2 x 7	2	4
17	2 x 7	3	4
18	3 x 6	none	5
19	3 x 6	1	5
20	3 x 6	2	5
21	3 x 7	none	6
22	3 x 7	1	6
23	3 x 7	2	6
24	4 x 6	none	6
25	4 x 6	1	6
26	4 x 6	2	6

27	4 x 6	3	6
28	4 x 7	none	7
29	4 x 7	1	7
30	4 x 7	2	7
31	4 x 7	3	7
32	5 x 6	2	8
33	5 x 6	3	8
34	5 x 6	4	8
35	5 x 7	none	8
36	5 x 7	1	8

All other placings for the final ranking will be established according to the initial ranking in the direct elimination table after the pools.

g) Video-refereeing

The use of video-refereeing is compulsory for all phases of the competitions.

h) Results

The complete results of these competitions must reach the FIE either by e-mail (info@fie.ch), or by fax (+41 21 320 31 16), as soon as the competitions are finished.