

FIE Zonal qualifying events Paris 2024 Olympic Games

Preamble

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a) Places and dates

Europe:	26-28 April 2024, Differdange (LUX)
Asia/Oceania:	27-28 April 2024, Dubai (UAE)
America:	05-07 April 2024, San Jose (CRC)
Africa:	27 April 2024, Algiers (ALG)

b) Entries

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

Europe:	19 April 2024, midnight Lausanne time
Asia/Oceania:	20 April 2024, midnight Lausanne time
America:	29 March 2024, midnight Lausanne time
Africa:	20 April 2024, 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) Officials and referees

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

Their expenses will be paid by the organiser.

d) Subsidy

The FIE will provide a subsidy of 10.000 CHF to each organiser.

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) Anti-doping

One doping control must be carried out at each weapon: the fencer ranked first at each weapon.

i) Results

The complete results of these competitions must be uploaded on the FIE website as soon as the competitions are finished.