

European Fencing Confederation – Fencing

A. Disciplines and Events

Men's Events (6)	Women's Events (6)
Epee Individual	Epee Individual
Epee Team	Epee Team
Foil Individual	Foil Individual
Foil team	Foil team
Sabre Individual	Sabre Individual
Sabre Team	Sabre Team

B. Athlete Quota

1. Total quota for Sport/Discipline

	Qualification Places/Teams	Host Country Places	Qualification Places/Individuals	Universality Places	Total
Men	88	12	33	17	150
Women	88	12	33	17	150
Total	176	24	66	34	300

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC

Discipline Quota per NOC	
Men	12
Women	12
Total	24

Event Specific Quota			
Men's Events	Athletes	Women's Events	Athletes
Epee Individual	60	Epee Individual	60
Epee Team	36 (max 9 teams)	Epee Team	36 (max 9 teams)
Foil Individual	50	Foil Individual	50
Foil team	36 (max 9 teams)	Foil team	36 (max 9 teams)
Sabre Individual	40	Sabre Individual	40
Sabre Team	24 (max 6 teams)	Sabre Team	24 (max 6 teams)

3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places

The quota place is allocated to the NOC where the qualification is achieved through team events. These fencers will also participate in the respective individual events.

The quota place is allocated to the athletes where the qualification is achieved through individual ranking, acceptance of these places must be validated by the relevant NOC.

C. Eligibility

Athlete Eligibility

Only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter (at all times) may participate in the European Games. For the sake of clarity, all athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter in force during the qualification period for the European Games up until the end of the period of the European Games.

Age Requirements

All athletes participating in the Baku 2015 European Games must be born on/or before 31 December 2001.

Medical and Anti-Doping Requirements

To be eligible to participate in the Baku 2015 European Games, all athletes must satisfy the medical requirements according to FIE Medical Committee and Anti-Doping Committee

To be eligible to participate in the Baku 2015 European Games, all athletes must undergo anti-doping controls in accordance with the FIE and WADA Anti-Doping Rules

D. Qualification Process

The qualification system allows for the participation of the best athletes through a fair and transparent process within the framework of the Olympic Charter.

Individual Events

The individual events bring together 60 fencers in epee, 50 fencers in foil and 40 fencers in sabre. The number of participants in each individual event includes also fencers from the host country in the events.

Team Events

The team events will bring together 8 or 9 teams in each weapon except sabre where only 6 or 7 team can participate, i.e. eight or six teams qualified through the team qualification system, plus possibly the team of the host country.

Qualification

a) Team qualification

The teams will be composed of 4 fencers, i.e. for 8 teams, 32 fencers in foil and epee weapons and 24 in sabre, plus the team from the host country if applicable. These teams will qualify as follows:

The top 8 teams (epee and foil), 6 teams (sabre) in the FIE Official Team Ranking (OR) by cut off day.

b) Individual qualification

For epee weapons the 32 fencers, for foil weapons 32 fencers and for sabre 24 fencers who qualified through team qualification.

The 16 in epee/9 in foil/8 in sabre highest ranked fencers in the FIE individual AOR* with only one fencer from any one country.

Universality - The 8 in epee/5 in foil /4 in sabre highest ranked fencers in the Europe-qualifying events with only one fencer from any one country per gender.

Unused places of host country will be used for increasing quota of fencers to qualify through the Europe-qualifying events.

In no case may a country qualify more than 4 fencers per weapon.

Qualification through the individual AOR is reserved for countries that do not have any fencers qualified through team.

The Europe-qualifying events are only open (1 fencer per country) to those countries, which do not have any fencers who have qualified (through team or through the individual AOR by zone).

AOR * The Adjusted Official Ranking is the FIE Official Ranking modified as follows:

The names of all the fencers, by country and by weapon, who have qualified through team, are removed. For the other countries only highest ranked fencer by country and by weapon is kept.

The host NOC has the right to enter 24 fencers, i.e. participate with 4 fencers in each event.

Qualification Places

MEN

Individual Qualification

Number of Quota Places	Qualifying Event or Ranking	Quota Place allocated to
32 in epee 32 in foil 24 in sabre	Qualification event type: Teams Ranking in FIE Teams World Cup Qualification Process: for Baku 2015 EG will be qualified 8 best ranked teams in epee and foil and 6 best teams in sabre: The best-ranked teams will achieve quota places in that specific event for their NOC.	NOC
4 in epee 4 in foil 4 in sabre	Qualification Event Type: NOC Host Quota Qualification Process: in competence of host NOC The best ranked athletes will achieve quota places	Athlete
16 in epee 9 in foil 8 in sabre	Qualification Event type: Individual qualification Qualification Process: the best individuals of Europe in FIE ranking by cut off day / only one by country Places to be allocated EFC	Athlete
8 in epee 5 in foil 4 in sabre	Qualification Event Type: Universality Qualification Process: European qualifying event The best individuals from the event / only one by country Places to be allocated by EOC	Athlete

WOMEN

Individual Qualification

Number of Quota Places	Qualifying Event or Ranking	Quota Place allocated to
32 in epee 32 in foil 24 in sabre	Qualification event type: Teams Ranking in FIE Teams World Cup Qualification Process: for Baku 2015 EG will be qualified 8 best ranked teams in epee and foil and 6 best teams in sabre: The best-ranked teams will achieve quota places in that specific event for their NOC.	NOC
4 in epee 4 in foil 4 in sabre	Qualification Event Type: NOC Host Quota Qualification Process: in competence of host NOC The best ranked athletes will achieve quota places	Athlete
16 in epee 9 in foil 8 in sabre	Qualification Event type: Individual qualification Qualification Process: the best individuals of Europe in FIE ranking by cut off day / only one by country Places to be allocated by EFC	Athlete

<p>8 in epee 5 in foil 4 in sabre</p>	<p>Qualification Event Type: Universality Qualification Process: European qualifying event The best individuals from the event / only one by country Places to be allocated by EOC</p>	<p>Athlete</p>
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Host NOC Allocation

Allocation Process
<p>The Host NOC is guaranteed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 Places in the Men's Events (4 in each Weapon Category) • 12 Place in the Women's Events (4 in each Weapon Category)

Universality

Allocation Numbers
<p>17 Male Universality Places are made available to eligible NOCs at the Baku 2015 European Games 17 Female Universality Places are made available to eligible NOCs at the Baku 2015 European Games</p>

E. Confirmation process for Quota Places

BEGOC on behalf of the EFC will inform NOCs in writing on 15 January 2015 of the athlete quota places they have obtained at the Qualification Event.

Eligible NOCs must inform BEGOC and the EFC in writing by 30 January 2015 whether or not they intend to participate at the European Games.

By 15 February 2015 the EFC will reallocate all available quota places.

F. Reallocation of unused quota places

The reallocation of unused quota places should list the reallocation process for each qualification event in a clear and transparent manner.

Should an NOC return an athlete quota place that has been obtained from the 2014 FIE Ranking List, the next best ranked NOC, not yet qualified, will be allocated the athlete quota place. This process will be repeated until all places are allocated.

G. Qualification Timeline

Date	Milestone
1 January – 30 November 2014	Qualification period: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 19 October – Coupe du Monde par équipes, Cancun, MEX • 19 October – Coupe du Monde par équipes, San Francisco, USA • 26 October – Coupe du Monde par équipes, Berne, SUI • 26 October – Coupe du Monde par équipes, Legnano, ITA • 16 November – Coupe du Monde par équipes, Xuzhou, CHN • 2 November – Coupe du Monde par équipes, San Juan de los Morros, VEN • 2 November – Coupe du Monde par équipes, Dakar, SEN • 9 November – Coupe du Monde par équipes, St-Maur, FRA • 9 November – Coupe du Monde par équipes, Tokyo, JPN • 16 November – Coupe du Monde par équipes, Tallin, EST • 23 November – Coupe du Monde par équipes, Orléans, FRA • 23 November – Coupe du Monde par équipes, Budapest, HUN
30 November 2014	Cut off day for FIE rankings
1 December – 31 December 2014	Tournament for allocation of Universality places for all weapons place and date to be decided by EF
15 January 2015	BEGOC on behalf of EFC to inform NOCs/NFs of their allocated quota places
30 January 2015	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to BEGOC and EFC
15 February 2015	EFC to reallocate all unused quota places
1 May 2015	Deadline for BEGOC to receive entry forms submitted by the NOCs

H. 2016 Olympic Qualification

No qualification for the 2016 Olympic Games will be available at the 2015 European Games for Fencing.