

## 2016 Rio Olympic Games

### Qualification system for fencing (based on the 2012 London qualification system)

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#### 1. Quota

Men	102
Women	102
Host country	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>212 places</b>

6 individual events and 4 team events

In addition to its possible qualification through the current rules, the host country has the right to enter 8 fencers, to be distributed between team and individual events as it sees fit.

The individual events bring together about 35 fencers in each weapon that has a team event and about 32 fencers in the weapons that do not have team events.

The team events bring together 8 teams in each of the four weapons. The teams will be composed of 3 fencers, i.e. for 8 teams, 24 fencers in each weapon, plus the team from the host country if applicable.

#### 2. Qualification for the weapons with a team event

##### a) Team qualification

- The first four teams in the FIE Official Team Ranking, irrespective of which zone they are from.
- The highest ranked team from each zone among the teams ranked in 5th to 16th position in the FIE official team ranking. If a zone is not represented, the next team in the official team ranking qualifies, irrespective of its zone.

##### b) Individual qualification

- For each weapon, the 24 fencers who qualified through team.
- The 7 highest ranked fencers in the FIE individual AOR\* by zone (2 from Europe, 2 from Asia-Oceania, 2 from America and 1 from Africa) with only one fencer from any one country.
- The 4 highest ranked fencers in the zone-qualifying events (1 from Europe, 1 from Asia-Oceania, 1 from America and 1 from Africa) with only one fencer from any one country.

In no case may a country qualify more than 3 fencers per weapon.

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

The zone-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).

### **3. Individual qualification for the weapons with no team event**

1. the **first 14** from the individual FIE Adjusted Official Ranking (AOR);
2. the **first 8** from the individual AOR by zone, with only 1 fencer from any one country (2 for Europe, 2 for Asia-Oceania, 2 for America and 2 for Africa);
3. the **10 fencers** from the zone-qualifying events which are only open to the countries that do not have any fencers who have qualified through the two criteria above in the weapon concerned - 1 fencer per country and per weapon - (4 for Europe, 3 for Asia-Oceania, 2 for America and 1 for Africa).

In no case may a country qualify more than **2** fencers per weapon through the 1st and 2nd criteria.

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

- For the weapons with a team event, the names of all the fencers, by country and by weapon, who have qualified through team, are removed. For the other countries only 1 fencer (the highest ranked one) by country, in each zone and by weapon is kept.
- For the weapons with no team event, only the 2 highest ranked fencers by country and by weapon are kept while all the other names are removed.

### **4. Reallocation of unused places**

If a NOC does not meet the determined deadline to confirm the participation of a qualified fencer or declines the participation of a fencer, the FIE will thus re-allocate the available places as follows:

- If the fencer qualified through the AOR, the place will be re-allocated to the next best fencer in this ranking;
- If the fencer qualified through the AOR by zone, he/she will be replaced by the next best ranked fencer in the AOR from the same zone;
- If the qualification was obtained through a zone-qualifying event, the place will be attributed to the next best ranked fencer in this event.

### **5. Reallocation of unused Host Country places**

If the host country does not use its 8 places, the unused places will be allocated by the Tripartite Commission.