

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM - 4th EUROPEAN GAMES ISTANBUL 2027

EUROPEAN TAEKWONDO UNION

TAEKWONDO

A. EVENTS

KYORUGI	
Men's Events (8)	Women's Events (8)
Under 54 kg	Under 46 kg
Under 58 kg	Under 49 kg
Under 63 kg	Under 53 kg
Under 68 kg	Under 57 kg
Under 74 kg	Under 62 kg
Under 80 kg	Under 67 kg
Under 87 kg	Under 73 kg
Over 87 kg	Over 73 kg
POOMSAE	
Men's Events (1)	Women's Events (1)
Under 30 yrs	Under 30 yrs
Mixed Events (1)	
Pair Under 30 yrs	

B. QUOTA PLACES

B.1. Total quota places for Taekwondo

	Qualification Places	Host NOC Places	Universality Places	Total
Men	130	10	10	150
Women	130	10	10	150
Total	240	20	20	300

B.2. Maximum number of athletes per NOC

Event	Quota per NOC
Men	10
Women	10
Total	20



C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

C.1. Compliance with the Olympic Charter and other relevant rules

All athletes must respect and comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors) and Rule 43 (World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions).

Only those athletes who respect and comply with the Olympic Charter, the World Anti-Doping Code and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions, including the conditions of participation established by the EOC and the rules of European Taekwondo Union, may participate in the 2027 European Games.

C.2. Age requirements

All athletes participating in the 2027 European Games must be born on or before 31 December 2010.

C.3. Additional European Taekwondo Union criteria

To be eligible to participate in 2027 European Games, all athletes must:

- satisfy the medical requirements according to World Taekwondo (WT) Medical Code and Anti-Doping Committee.
- be a holder of the nationality of the participating team.
- be a member of the pertinent Member National Association that is recognised by WT and ETU.
- be a holder of the Kukkiwon Dan Certificate. A copy of the Dan certificate should be enclosed when registering for accreditation. In case a competitor has applied for a Kukkiwon Dan certificate but has not received it yet, a copy of the Dan application form and the remittance certificate sent to the Kukkiwon must be enclosed when registering for accreditation.

According to WT rules athlete participating in WT promoted and sanctioned events, must be a holder of the WT Athlete License (GAL).

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

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

D.1. Qualification Places Kyorugi

Number of Quota Places	Men/Women	Quota Place Allocation
104 (Men) 104 (Women)	<p>Qualifying Event or Ranking: The WT World Ranking System as in December 2026, including the last WT sanctioned event of the year.</p> <p>Qualification Process: The top 13 ranked athletes in each event will achieve a quota place in that specific event. Maximum of one (1) quota place per event per NOC.</p>	Athlete

D.1. Qualification Places Poomsae

Number of Quota Places	Men/Women	Quota Place Allocation
26 (Men) 26 (Women)	<p>Qualifying Event or Ranking: The WT World Ranking System as in December 2026, including the last WT sanctioned event of the year plus a qualifying event.</p> <p>Qualification Process: The top 12 ranked athletes in each individual event will achieve a quota place in that specific event. Maximum of one (1) quota place per event per NOC. In addition, the top 4 athletes of the qualification event will achieve a quota place in that specific event.</p> <p>The top 6 ranked pairs in the mixed event will achieve a quota place in that specific event. Maximum of one (1) quota place per event per NOC. In addition, the top 4 pairs of the qualification event will achieve a quota place in that specific event.</p>	Athlete



D.2. Host NOC Places

The host NOC will automatically qualify 1 athlete in each Men's and Women's Kyorugi events (8 Men's and 8 Women's places in total) plus additional 1 athlete in each Men's and Women's Poomsae events as well as 1 Pair (1 male and 1 female athlete), subject to meeting the eligibility requirements described under section C of this document.

D.3. Universality Places

Ten (10) Male Universality Places and ten (10) Female Universality Places are made available to the eligible NOCs at the 2027 European Games. Athletes are subject to meeting the eligibility requirements described under section C of this document. These places will be allocated by the EOC in conjunction with the European Taekwondo Union.

Eligibility requirements for the NOCs:

- No quota obtained for the European Games 2027 via the Qualification procedure
- Proposed athletes must have recent experience at minimum of three (3) ETU sanctioned events in 2026

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

The EOC will inform by email the respective NOCs on 22 December 2026 of their allocated quota places that have been obtained by ranking.

By 8 January 2027, eligible NOCs must inform, by email, the EOC whether they intend to use the allocated quota places obtained by ranking and participate at the 2023 European Games.

The EOC will inform by email the respective NOCs on 1 April 2027 of their allocated quota places that have been obtained at the Qualification event.

By 7 April 2027, eligible NOCs must inform, by email, the EOC whether they intend to use the allocated quota places obtained at the Qualification event and participate at the 2027 European Games.

By 30 April 2027, the EOC, in agreement with the European Taekwondo Union, will reallocate all unused quota places.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

Unused quota places, including qualification places allocated according to the WT Ranking, host NOC places and universality places, will be reallocated to the next best ranked athlete in the WT World Ranking List (December 2026) from the NOC not yet qualified in the respective event. This process will be repeated until all places are allocated.

Unused quota places obtained at the ETU Qualification Event will be reallocated to the next best ranked athlete in the respective event at the ETU Qualification Event.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone
1 January 2026	Beginning of qualifying period
22 December 2026	End of qualifying period
22 December 2026	WT World Ranking Lists published
23 December 2026	The EOC to confirm by email in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained by World Ranking
8 January 2027	The NOCs confirm to the EOC by email the use of the allocated quota places obtained by World Ranking
1 April 2027	The EOC to confirm by email in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained at the Qualification event
7 April 2027	The NOCs confirm to the EOC by email the use of the allocated quota places obtained at the Qualification event
10 April 2027	The EOC in agreement with the ETU to allocate the Universality Places
10 April 2027	The EOC in agreement with the ETU to start the reallocation process of all unused quota places
30 April 2027	List of confirmed quota places announced
1 June 2027	European Games 2027 Sport Entries Deadline
16-27 June 2027	European Games 2027

H. OLYMPIC GAMES LOS ANGELES 2028 QUALIFICATION

Taekwondo will have G-4 ranking event status, therefore qualification for the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games will be available at the 2027 European Games.