QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – 4th EUROPEAN GAMES ISTANBUL 2027

WORLD ASSOCIATION OF KICKBOXING ORGANIZATIONS

KICKBOXING

A. EVENTS

Men's Events (9)	Women's Events (9)
Full Contact 63,5 kg	Full Contact 52 kg
Full Contact 75 kg	Full Contact 60 kg
Full Contact 86 kg	Full Contact 70 kg
Point Fighting 63 kg	Point Fighting 50 kg
Point Fighting 74 kg	Point Fighting 60 kg
Point Fighting 84 kg	Point Fighting 70 kg
K1 63,5 kg	K1 52 kg
K1 75 kg	K1 60 kg
K1 91 kg	K1 70 kg

B. QUOTA PLACES

B.1. Total quota places for Kickboxing

	Qualification Places
Men	72
Women	72
Total	**144**

B.2. Maximum number of athletes per NOC (1 athlete per event)

	Quota per NOC
Men	9
Women	9
Total	**18**

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 WAKO, may participate in the 2027 European Games.

C.2. Age requirements

All athletes participating in Kickboxing in the 2027 European Games must be born in the period from 1 January 1987 to 31 December 2008.

C.3. Additional WAKO criteria

To be eligible to participate in the 2027 European Games, all athletes must comply with the WAKO rules. https://www.wako.sport/rules-overview

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

Number of Quota Places	Men/Women	Quota Place Allocation
144	Qualifying Event or Ranking: WAKO European Championships, Skopje, MKD, 6-15 November 2026 Qualification Process: The 8 highest ranked athletes in designated weight categories (see A.) will be allocated a quota place.	Athlete

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

The EOC will inform by email the respective NOCs by 19 November 2026 of their allocated quota places.

By 26 November 2026, eligible NOCs must inform, by email, the EOC whether they intend to use the allocated quota places obtained by ranking and participate at the 2027 European Games.

By 17 December 2026, the EOC, in agreement with the WAKO, will reallocate all unused quota places.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

If any of the qualified competitors withdraw for any reason (e.g., injury, decision by their NOC), they shall be replaced—firstly—by the competitor who lost to them during the qualification phase, or, the next person in the WAKO Europe rankings, from a country that is not already qualified in that weight class and discipline.

Substitution Process:
1st substitution – the competitor who lost to the competitor who withdrew at WAKO European Championships for seniors 2026 - Skopje, North Macedonia, November, 6-15, 2026.
2nd Substitution – the highest ranked competitor according to the current European ranking list at that time (from an NOC not yet qualified in the respective category). This continues until filled.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone
6-15 November 2026	WAKO European Championships, Skopje, MKD
19 November 2026	The EOC to confirm by email in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained
26 November 2026	The NOCs confirm to the EOC by email the use of the allocated quota places
17 December 2026	The EOC in agreement with WAKO to reallocate all unused quota places
1 June 2027	European Games 2027 Sport Entries Deadline -
16-27 June 2027	European Games 2027