



WORLD KARATE FEDERATION

World Combat Games 2023 Riyadh

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM (Update June 2023)

The rule that a country can only have one competitor per category prevails throughout the qualification process.

All references to events and ranking are specifically made for **U21 categories** only.

First qualification

2 Places per category: Gold and silver of the preceding World U21 Championships (Konya 2022), are qualified.

Substitution:

- a) Bronze winner with the highest World ranking as of one day after the preceding World U21 Championships
- b) Second best bronze winner of the preceding World U21 Championships
- c) Highest World Ranking as per 28 August 2023, the time of the ranking cut-off date.

Second qualification

5 Places per category: Gold of the last Continental U21 Championships during the period 2022 and 2023 (before 28 August 2023). In case that a Continental Federation does not hold any Continental U21 Championships during 2022 or 2023 (before 28 August 2023), the quota place for that continent will be allocated according to the substitution criteria here below.

In the case of the African Continent (UFAK), there are currently no Continental U21 Championships. Consequently, Gold medallists of the last Senior Continental Championships that comply with age requirements of the U21 categories will obtain the quota place. Should however a Gold medallist of the last Senior UFAK Championships not fall under the U21 categories age requirement, the place of the corresponding category will be allocated to the highest World ranking as per 28 August 2023 of the African Continent athletes.

Substitution: Athlete with the highest World ranking as per 28 August 2023 of the respective continent.

Third qualification

1 Place per category: Athletes with the highest World Ranking as per 28 August 2023 of the respective category will be allocated a host country place.

Substitution: Athlete with the highest World ranking as per 28 August 2023.