



QUALIFICATION SYSTEM - 3RD EUROPEAN GAMES KRAKOW & MALOPOLSKA 2023

EUROPEAN KARATE FEDERATION

KARATE

A. EVENTS

Men's Events (6)	Women's Events (6)
Kata	Kata
Kumite -60kg	Kumite -50kg
Kumite -67kg	Kumite -55kg
Kumite -75kg	Kumite -61kg
Kumite -84kg	Kumite -68kg
Kumite +84kg	Kumite +68kg

B. QUOTA PLACES

B.1. Total quota places for Karate

	Qualification Places	Host NOC Places	Universality Places	Total
12 events (see A)	6/event	1/event	1/event	8/event
Total	72	12	12	96

B.2. Maximum number of athletes per NOC

Event	Quota per NOC
12 events (see A)	1/event
Total	12



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 Karate Federation, may participate in the 2023 European Games.

C.2. Age requirements

All athletes participating in Karate events in the 2023 European Games must be born on or before 24 March 2005 for Men's and Women's Kumite events and on or before 24 March 2007 for Men's and Women's Kata events.

C.3. Additional European Karate Federation (EKF) requirements

To be eligible to participate in the 2023 European Games, all athletes must:

- conform to the qualification criteria as hereunder defined;
- be a member in good standing with their National Federation

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	Quota Place Allocation
18	<p>Qualifying Event or Ranking: 58th EKF European Senior Championships, Spain, 24 March 2023</p> <p>Qualification Process: The three (3) best placed athletes (gold, silver and bronze with the higher EKF EG 2023 standing as of one day after the 58th European Senior Championships) in each of five (5) Kumite weight categories and Kata individual event will each be allocated a quota place.</p>	Athlete
18	<p>Qualifying Event or Ranking: EKF EG 2023 Standings (based on WKF World Ranking) as of 28 March 2023</p> <p>Qualification Process: The three (3) highest positioned athletes in each of five (5) Kumite weight categories and Kata individual event, from the NOCs not yet qualified in the respective event, will each be allocated a quota place, always respecting the maximum quota of 1 athlete per NOC per event.</p>	Athlete

Number of Quota Places	Women	Quota Place Allocation
18	<p>Qualifying Event or Ranking: 58th EKF European Senior Championships, Spain, 24 March 2023</p> <p>Qualification Process: The three (3) best placed athletes (gold, silver and bronze with the higher EKF EG 2023 standing as of one day after the 58th European Senior Championships) in each of five (5) Kumite weight categories and Kata individual event will each be allocated a quota place.</p>	Athlete



18	<p>Qualifying Event or Ranking: EKF EG 2023 Standings (based on WKF World Ranking) as of 28 March 2023</p> <p>Qualification Process: The three (3) highest positioned athletes in each of five (5) Kumite weight categories and Kata individual event, from the NOCs not yet qualified in the respective event, will each be allocated a quota place, always respecting the maximum quota of 1 athlete per NOC per event.</p>	Athlete
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D.2. Host NOC Places

The host NOC will automatically qualify six (6) male and six (6) female athletes: one (1) in each event on the condition that the athletes meet the eligibility requirements described under section C of this document.

The Host NOC places will be allocated to the highest positioned athletes in the EKS EG 2023 Standings.

D.3. Universality Places

Six (6) Male Universality Places and six (6) Female Universality Places are made available to the eligible NOCs at the 2023 European Games: one (1) in each event.

The Universality places cannot be allocated to NOCs that have obtained a quota place in any karate event. NOCs with the right to use the Universality places will be allocated one (1) Universality place to the athlete with the highest position in the EKF EG 2023 Standing.

The highest ranked athlete from the EKF EG 2023 Standings across all events, whose NOC has not yet any athlete qualified in any karate event will receive the first quota allocation. Following this, the next highest ranked athlete from the EKF EG 2023 Standings across remaining 11 events, whose NOC has not yet any athlete qualified in any karate event will receive the next quota allocation and this same procedure will follow until all open Universality Places are filled.



E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

The EOC will inform by email the respective NOCs of their allocated quota places (including qualifying event and ranking, host NOC and universality) by 3 April 2023.

By 10 April 2023, eligible NOCs must inform, by email, the EOC whether or not they intend to use the allocated quota places and participate at the 2023 European Games.

By 2 May 2023, the EOC, in agreement with the EKF, will reallocate all unused quota places.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

Any unused quota place (including qualification places, host NOC places and universality places) will be allocated to the next highest position athlete (whose NOC is not yet qualified in the relevant event) in the EKF EG 2023 Standing, with the exception to places obtained through 58th EKF European Senior Championships, where the second-best bronze medalist will have priority over the highest position athlete in the EKF EG 2023 Standing. This process will be repeated until all places are allocated, always respecting the maximum quota of one athlete per NOC per event.

G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone
27 March 2022	Beginning of qualifying period
24-26 March 2023	58 th EKF European Senior Championships, <u>S</u> pain
26 March 2023	End of qualifying period
28 March 2023	EKF EG 2023 standings published (based on WKF World Ranking)
29 March 2023	The EOC in agreement with the EKF to allocate the Universality Places
3 April 2023	The EOC to confirm by email in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained
10 April 2023	The NOCs confirm to the EOC by email the use of the allocated quota places.



11 April 2023	The EOC in agreement with the EKF to start the reallocation process of all unused quota places
2 May 2023	List of confirmed quota places announced
2 June 2023	European Games 2023 Sport Entries Deadline
21 June - 2 July 2023	European Games 2023