

International Archery Federation (FITA)

EVENTS

Men

Individual competition

Team competition

Women

Individual competition

Team competition

ATHLETE / NOC QUOTA

Athlete quota: Men: 64 athletes
Women: 64 athletes
Total of 128 athletes

Maximum per NOC: The maximum number of athletes per NOC shall be 3 men and 3 women in the individual events, and a maximum of 1 team of 3 athletes in the team competitions (using the same athletes entered in the individual events).

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Attribution of qualification places

Qualification is attributed to the NOC, which may select athletes who have achieved the minimum qualification score to fill the available qualification places. All entered athletes may compete in the individual competition of the Olympic Games. NOCs with 3 entered athletes may also enter the team competition.

Minimum Qualification Score (MQS) for individuals

To be eligible for selection to a qualification place, all archers must have achieved the following MQS:

Men	FITA round	1200 or
	70m round	600
Women	FITA round	1180 or
	70m round	590

The MQS must be achieved in the qualified period of 5th July 2007 (starting at the 2007 World Championships) to 16 July 2008.

FITA will review the scores of all entered archers to verify if they have achieved the MQS. The FITA Executive Committee will make the final determination on any archers who do not meet the MQS.

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

The following table summarises the allocation of qualification places:

		Males	Females
1	<u>Host nation</u>	3	3
2	<u>2007 World Target Championships</u> 8 teams of 3 athletes (24 places) Individuals ranking (16 places)	40	40
3	<u>Continental Qualification Tournaments</u> 3 places per continent per gender for Asia, Europe and Americas, 2 places per continent and gender for Oceania and Africa	13	13
4	<u>Final World Qualification Tournament</u> open to all countries that do not have any quota places through the other tournaments and qualify a maximum of 1 place (per NOC and per gender)	5	5
5	<u>Tripartite Commission Invitation Places</u>	3	3
		64	64

1. Host nation (3 places)

The host nation will automatically qualify 3 places per gender, on the condition that they enter at least 3 athletes per gender at the 2007 World Target Championships.

2. 2007 World Target Championship (WTC) (40 places)**Team competition (24 places)**

The top 8 teams in the WTC Team Competition (other than the Olympic host nation) will earn 3 places.

Individual competition (16 places)

The remaining 16 places will be allocated to the NOCs of the highest ranked archers from nations which have not qualified through the team competition, with a maximum of 3 per nation.

3. Continental Qualification (13 places)**Continental Qualification Tournaments (CQTS)**

By 31 December 2006, FITA will identify 1 continental qualification tournament (CQT) in each continent. The final standings of the individual competition in each CQT will be used to allocate 3 (Europe, Asia and Americas) or 2 (Africa and Oceania) qualification places per gender, with a maximum of 2 places allocated to any 1 NOC.

Archers who have previously won a qualification place for their nation at the WTC, and archers from nations outside the defined continental area, may not compete at the CQT.

If the Continental qualification is at a Continental Championship, FITA rules and procedures apply to determine the athletes eligible to participate in the continental qualification event but a separate event will be held to determine the qualification places.

Replacement continental qualifications

If a continental region does not have a qualifying tournament, the places allocated to that continent will be designated by the FITA Executive Committee as follows:

- a) 1 place per gender will be allocated to the NOC of the highest ranked athlete on the WTC tournament standby list
- b) 2 (Europe, Asia, Americas) or 1 (Africa, Oceania) place(s) per gender will be allocated by the FITA Executive Committee to nations in that continental region that wish to send archers, based on results at the World Target Championship. The archers must have met the MQS or be approved by the FITA Executive Committee
- c) Any unused places will be awarded by the FITA Executive Committee based on the FITA World Ranking List at the time of allocation. The archers must have met the current MQS or be approved by the FITA Executive Committee. If none of the archers has met the MQS or can get the approval of the FITA Executive Committee, these places will be added to the places to be awarded from the Final World Qualification Tournament (FQT)

4. Final World Qualification tournament

The first 5 athletes of a special qualification tournament to be held at the end of the qualification process open to all countries that do not have any quota places through the other tournaments and qualify a maximum of 1 place (per NOC and per gender). This tournament will be held in conjunction with a World Ranking tournament to avoid any additional costs to the Member Associations.

5. Tripartite Commission (IOC-ANOC -FITA) Invitation places

Three (3) Tripartite Commission Invitation places will be allocated per gender, in accordance with the following specified procedure.

The deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation places is (*date to be determined*). The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, a preliminary allocation of Invitation places to the NOCs by (*date to be determined*). The allocation of remaining Invitation places will be confirmed, in writing, to the NOCs before the Final World Qualification Tournament.

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

October 2006	The proposal for the location, date and format of the CQT must be submitted to FITA
31 December 2006	FITA publishes calendar of CQTs, and distributes to Member Associations
5-15 July 2007	44th World Outdoor Target Championships, Leipzig (GER)
5 th July 2007	Start of MQS Period
1 st August	Acceptance by the NOCs of places obtained at World Outdoor Championships
TBC	Deadline for the submission of requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation places by all NOCs
TBC	The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, a preliminary allocation of Invitation places to the NOCs
25 May 2008	Final day for Continental Federations to submit the results of CQTs to FITA
TBC	Tripartite Commission to confirm the allocation of Invitation places
4 June 2008	Latest possible date for FITA to confirm to Member Federations in writing the number of qualification places allocated to each Member Federation based on the CQT

18 June 2008	Latest possible date for NOCs to confirm to FITA in writing the use of qualification places from the Continental Qualification Tournament (The exact deadline will be two weeks after they have been informed on the Continental Qualification Places)
23-29 June 2008	Date of the Final World Qualification Tournament
2 July 2008	FITA to confirm to Member Federations in writing the number of qualification places allocated to each Member Federation
16 July 2008	NOCs to confirm to FITA in writing the use of qualification places from the Final World Qualification Tournament
16 July 2008	End of Period for archers to obtain MQS Score
18 July 2008	FITA to confirm reallocation of unused quota places.
23 July 2008	Deadline for Beijing 2008 Organising Committee to receive entry forms submitted by NOCs

DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF PLACES

Following receipt of the results of WCT, CQTs, and FQT, FITA will confirm to Member Federations and NOCs in writing the number of qualification places they have achieved.

Within 2 weeks, each NOC must confirm the number of places in writing (fax and e-mail are acceptable) they will use. NOCs that have not replied by this date will have lost their places, and FITA will reallocate the places in accordance with the process noted below.

By 18/7/ 2008, FITA will confirm the reallocation of all unused quota places.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA POSITIONS

Places allocated at the 2007 World Target Championships (WTC)

Any places earned at the 2007 WTC and not used by the respective NOC will be reallocated to the NOC of the next highest ranked unqualified athlete(s) from this event, based on the established standby list which is based on the final individual ranking.

Places allocated at the Continental Qualification Tournaments (CQTs)

Any qualification places earned at the CQTs that are not used by the respective NOC will be reallocated to the NOC of the next highest ranked unqualified athlete from this event, based on the established standby list. If there are no CQT standby places, the available places will be awarded by the FITA Executive Committee based on the FITA World Ranking List at the time of allocation. The archers must have met the current MQS or be approved by the FITA Executive Committee. If none of the archers has met the MQS or can get the approval of the FITA Executive Committee, these places will be added to the places to be awarded from the Final World Qualification Tournament (FQT).

Places allocated at the Final World Qualification Tournaments (FQT)

Any qualification places earned at the FQT that are not used by the respective NOC will be reallocated to the NOC of the next highest ranked unqualified athlete from this event, based on the established standby list. If there are no FQT standby places, the available places will be awarded by the FITA Executive Committee based on the FITA World Ranking List at the time of allocation. The archers must have met the current MQS or be approved by the FITA Executive Committee.

Final Procedure for any other unused places:

In the event that unused places cannot be reallocated according to the criteria set out above, they will be allocated as additional Tripartite Commission Invitation places.