

## QUALIFICATION SYSTEM - 4<sup>th</sup> EUROPEAN GAMES ISTANBUL 2027

### WORLD CLIMBING

### CLIMBING

#### A. EVENTS

Men's Events (3)	Women's Events (3)
Speed	Speed
Boulder	Boulder
Lead	Lead

#### B. QUOTA PLACES

##### B.1. Total quota places for Climbing

The total number of quota places for Climbing events at the 2027 European Games is 160 (80 per gender).

SPEED	Qualification Places	Host NOC Places	Total
Men	23	1	24
Women	23	1	24
<b>Total</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>48</b>

BOULDER	Qualification Places	Host NOC Places	Total
Men	27	1	28
Women	27	1	28
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>56</b>

LEAD	Qualification Places	Host NOC Places	Total
Men	27	1	28
Women	27	1	28
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>56</b>

##### B.2. Maximum number of athletes per NOC

The maximum number of athletes per NOC is 3 per event per gender.

Event	Men	Women	Total
Speed	3	3	3
Boulder	3	3	3
Lead	3	3	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>18</b>

B.3. Type of allocation of quota places: Quota places are allocated to the NOCs.

## 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 World Climbing, may participate in the 2027 European Games.

### C.2. Age requirements

Athletes must be born before 1 January 2011 to be eligible to participate in the 2027 European Games.

### C.3. Additional World Climbing criteria

All participating athletes must comply with the World Climbing Rules ([link](#)) and hold a valid international license issued by World Climbing.

## 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

- a) The top four (4) highest-ranked European countries on the World Climbing Series National Team Ranking 2026 (gender separated) will obtain three (3) quota places per event per gender, as shown in the table below.

The next best-ranked European countries on the World Climbing Series National Team Ranking 2026 (gender separated) will obtain two (2) quota places per event per gender, as shown in the table below.

- b) The European countries ranked on the World Climbing Europe Series National Team Ranking 2026 (gender separated) that have not yet received any quota places through the qualification pathway a) will obtain one (1) quota place per event per gender, as shown in the table below.

**Quota places per event per gender**

	Speed	Boulder	Lead
<b>a) World Climbing Series National Team Ranking 2026</b>			
Rank 1	3	3	3
Rank 2	3	3	3
Rank 3	3	3	3
Rank 4	3	3	3
Rank 5	2	2	2
Rank 6	2	2	2
Rank 7	2	2	2
Rank 8	-	2	2
<b>b) World Climbing Europe Series National Team Ranking 2026</b>			
Rank 1	1	1	1
Rank 2	1	1	1
Rank 3	1	1	1
Rank 4	1	1	1
Rank 5	1	1	1
Rank 6	-	1	1
Rank 7	-	1	1
<b>Host NOC</b>			
Host NOC quota place	1	1	1
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>28</b>
Total number of athletes per gender	<b>80</b>		
Total number of NOC representations	13 NOCs	16 NOCs	16 NOCs

**D.2. Host NOC Places**

In case where the host NOC of the European Games does not obtain any quota places through the qualification pathway outlined in section D.1. Qualification Places, one (1) quota place will be allocated to the host NOC per event per gender. In addition to this, the host country must have a ranking either in the World Climbing Series or the Europe Series National Team Ranking 2026 per event per gender.

## **E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES**

### E.1. Confirmation of Qualification Places

The quota confirmation will be implemented according to the hierarchical order of the qualification pathways, starting with a) World Climbing Series National Team Ranking 2026 and, upon conclusion of a), proceeding to b) World Climbing Europe Series National Team Ranking 2026, as outlined in the section *G. Timeline*

The EOC, in agreement with World Climbing, will confirm in writing to the NOCs the quota places they have obtained, respecting the max. NOC quota per event per gender. The NOCs will then have two (2) weeks to confirm to the EOC if they wish to confirm or decline the allocated quota places.

If the allocated quota place is not confirmed by the NOC by the requested deadline or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be allocated to the next highest ranked eligible NOC that has not yet received the quota place, from the relevant qualification pathway, respecting the max. NOC quota per event per gender.

### E.2. Confirmation of Host NOC Places

In case where the host NOC of the European Games does not obtain any quota places through the qualification pathway outlined in section D.1. Qualification Places, and provided that the NOC meets IF eligibility requirements outlined in section D.2. Host NOC Places, the EOC will confirm in writing to the NOC according to the section *G. Timeline*. The NOC will then have two (2) weeks to confirm to the EOC if they wish to use the host NOC quota place.

## **F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES**

### F.1. Reallocation of Unused Qualification Places

Any unused quota places will be reallocated to the next highest-placed eligible NOC, selected from the World Climbing Series National Team Ranking 2026, respecting the max. NOC quota per event per gender. The NOCs will then have two (2) weeks to confirm to the EOC if they wish to confirm or decline the reallocated quota places.

The reallocation will be implemented according to the section *G. Timeline*.

### F.2. Reallocation of Unused Host NOC Places

In the case where the host country has obtained the quota place per event per gender, the unused host country quota place will be reallocated to the next highest-placed eligible NOC, selected from the World Climbing Series National Team Ranking 2026, while respecting the max. NOC quota per event per gender. The NOCs will then have two (2) weeks to confirm to the EOC if they wish to confirm or decline the reallocated quota places.

The reallocation will be implemented according to the section *G. Timeline*.

### **G. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Milestone</b>
By 31 October 2026	End of qualification period
From 1 November 2026	The EOC, in agreement with World Climbing, confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained via World Climbing Series National Team Ranking 2026
By two weeks after the previous step	The NOCs to confirm or decline the allocated quota to the EOC.
After concluding quota confirmation via World Climbing Series National Team Ranking 2026	The EOC, in agreement with World Climbing, confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained via World Climbing Europe Series National Team Ranking 2026
By two weeks after the previous step	The NOCs to confirm or decline the allocated quota places to the EOC.
After concluding quota confirmation via World Climbing Series National Team Ranking 2026 and World Climbing Europe Series National Team Ranking 2026	The EOC, in agreement with World Climbing, confirms in writing to the NOC the host country quota place obtained.
By two weeks after the previous step	The NOCs to confirm or decline the allocated host country quota place to the EOC.
After concluding the previous step	Reallocation of unused host country place, if needed. The EOC, in agreement with World Climbing confirms in writing to the NOC the reallocated host country quota place obtained.
By two weeks after the previous step	The NOC to confirm to the EOC the use of the reallocated host country quota place.
After concluding all quota confirmation in the previous steps	The EOC, in agreement with World Climbing, to reallocate any unused quota places.
1 June 2027	European Games 2027 Sport Entries Deadline
Until Technical Meeting	The EOC, in agreement with World Climbing, to reallocate any unused quota places after Sport Entries deadline. No reallocation permitted after the commencement of the Technical Meeting.



16 - 27 June 2027	European Games 2027
24 - 27 June 2027	Climbing events at European Games 2027

## **H. OLYMPIC GAMES LOS ANGELES 2028 QUALIFICATION**

The European Games Istanbul 2027 serves as a qualification pathway for LA 2028, awarding one quota place per event per gender, as specified in the [Qualification System LA 2028 for Climbing](#).