IFSC SEEDING PRINCIPLES AT OLYMPIC GAMES PARIS 2024

1. Introduction

The document outlines the seeding principle for Sport Climbing at the Olympic Games Paris 2024. The seeding principles are the same for both genders and disciplines (Speed, Boulder & Lead). These principles are used to create a seeding list, which is a hierarchical order of athletes.

2. Seeding principles

The seeding list is a hierarchical order of athletes qualified for the Olympic Games Paris 2024:

- From 1 to 20 in Boulder & Lead (B&L)
- From 1 to 14 in Speed

The seeding list will be assigned based on the IFSC World Ranking of the respective discipline as of January 1st, 2024. Athletes with a higher World Ranking will be placed higher on the seeding list. If multiple athletes have the same ranking, their relative position in the seeding list will be randomised. If an athlete is not included in the World Ranking, they will be placed below all other athletes.

In case there are multiple athletes without a World Ranking, their relative position in the seeding list will be randomised.

3. Example

Qualified Athletes	IFSC World Ranking (01/01/2024)	Seeding list
Speed Women	Speed Women	
Athlete A	1 st	1
Athlete B	5 th	2
Athlete C	6 th	3
Athlete D	7 th	4
Athlete E	27 th	5
Athlete F	36 th	6
Athlete G	37 th	7
Athlete H	45 th	8 (randomise)
Athlete I	45 th	9 (randomise)
Athlete L	58 th	10
Athlete M	73 rd	11
Athlete N	74 th	12
Athlete O	89 th	13
Athlete P	No ranking	14

4. Use of the seeding list

The purpose of the seeding list per discipline at the Olympic Games is as follow:

- Boulder & Lead: Startlist (reference to the IFSC rules)
- Speed¹: Contingency tie-breaking (reference to the IFSC rules)

¹ Note: Prior to using the seeding list, there are existing tie-breaking rules of Speed, which are 1) times with three digits precisions; 2) re-run (where applicable); 3) fastest time achieved from the entire competition; and 4) second-fastest time achieved from the entire competition.