

International Federation of Associated Wrestling Styles (FILA)

EVENTS

FREESTYLE WRESTLING

Men (7 events)

Up to 55kg
From 55 to 60kg
From 60 to 66kg
From 66 to 74kg
From 74 to 84kg
From 84 to 96kg
From 96 to 120kg

GRECO-ROMAN WRESTLING

Men (7 events)

Up to 55kg
From 55 to 60kg
From 60 to 66kg
From 66 to 74kg
From 74 to 84kg
From 84 to 96kg
From 96 to 120kg

WOMEN'S WRESTLING

Women (4 events)

Up to 48kg
From 48 to 55kg
From 55 to 63kg
From 63 to 72kg

ATHLETE/NOC QUOTA

In principle:

Athlete quota: 266 men in Greco-Roman and freestyle wrestling
64 women
7 places (for which male/female allocation is not fixed) for Oceania
7 final qualification places (for which male/female allocation is not fixed)
Total: 344 athletes

Maximum per NOC: An NOC can enter no more than 1 qualified athlete per event.

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Attribution of places:

For each wrestling discipline – freestyle, Greco-Roman and women's wrestling - the places obtained for the Olympic Games will be awarded to the athletes. At the end of each phase, FILA will confirm the names of the qualified athletes to the NOCs concerned. The NOCs are, however, authorised to replace a qualified wrestler who is injured or performing poorly at the moment of the final entry, but only in the event concerned.

SYSTEM IN DETAIL

For all the wrestling competitions which are part of the qualification system for the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing, all the NOCs concerned (for the first, second, third and fourth qualification phases) may enter no more than one male or female wrestler per style and per event. The same applies to the Olympic Games.

1st phase: World Championships (17-23 September 2007)

In this phase, wrestlers will be qualified as follows:

The first eight (8) male and first eight (8) female wrestlers in each Olympic event in the 2007 World Championships rankings will qualify for the 2008 Olympic Games.

7 events x 8 wrestlers = 56 freestyle wrestlers

7 events x 8 wrestlers = 56 Greco-Roman wrestlers

4 events x 8 wrestlers = 32 female wrestlers

2nd phase: 2008 Continental Championships (according to programme)

In this phase, the wrestlers will be qualified as follows:

The first-ranked wrestler at the European, Asian, African and Pan-American Continental Championships in each weight category will qualify for the Beijing Games.

In the event that a wrestler(s) who already qualified at the World Championships is at the top of this ranking, the next highest ranked wrestler in each weight category will qualify.

N.B. Countries are obliged to participate in the 2007 World Championships in order to participate in the 2008 Continental Championships. They will be able to participate in the Continental Championships only in the weight categories in which they participated in the World Championships. This provision guarantees the integrity of the Continental Championships' results. To take into account the small number of NFs from Oceania, the continent will not be attributed a place by weight category, but a quota of 7 places (sex not specified) will be allocated to the various events and categories by a special FILA commission and the Oceania continental committee, at the end of the Oceania Continental Championships.

3rd phase: 1st 2008 qualification tournament (according to programme)

The wrestlers who qualify at the World and Continental Championships will not have the right to take part in this third qualification phase, and countries will not have the right to enter other participants in the events in which they already have a qualified wrestler.

All the other countries of all the continents can compete in this third phase.

In this phase, wrestlers will be qualified as follows:

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| ➤ 7 events x 4 wrestlers = | 28 wrestlers in Freestyle |
| ➤ 7 events x 4 wrestlers = | 28 wrestlers in Greco-Roman |
| ➤ 4 events x 2 female wrestlers = | 8 wrestlers in women's wrestling |

4th phase: 2nd 2008 qualification tournament (according to programme)

The wrestlers who qualify in the first, second and third phases will not have the right to take part in this fourth qualification phase, and countries will not have the right to enter other participants in the categories in which they already have a qualified wrestler.

All other countries from all the continents may take part in this fourth phase.

In this phase, wrestlers will be qualified as follows:

The top three (3) male wrestlers and top two (2) female wrestlers in each event in this tournament will qualify for the Olympic Games in 2008, i.e.:

- 7 events x 3 wrestlers = 21 wrestlers for Freestyle
- 7 events x 3 wrestlers = 21 wrestlers for Greco-Roman
- 4 events x 2 female wrestlers = 8 wrestlers in women's wrestling

5. Places allocated to the host country

Wrestlers from the host country (China) must participate in all qualification phases to obtain their places at the Olympic Games in the same way as all other countries.

In the event that wrestlers from the host country fulfil these conditions but do not qualify, priority will be given on the quota of seven (7) places remaining, as set out in article 6 below, in order to guarantee optimal participation.

6. Final qualification places

The seven (7) places remaining to reach the quota of 344 will be at FILA's disposal to guarantee universal and continental representation.

These places will be allocated by FILA, in collaboration with ANOC and the IOC, to the NOCs which have participated in all the qualification phases but which have not succeeded in qualifying a wrestler.

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

15 November 2007	Deadline for the submission of invitation requests by all NOCs
31 January 2008	Deadline for the setting up by the Tripartite Commission of a list of priority invitation requests

GRECO-ROMAN WRESTLING

18 – 23 September 2007	World Championships, (F, GR, W) Baku (AZE)
28 February – 2 March 2008	Senior Pan-American Championships (F, GR, W)
6 – 9 March 2008	Senior African Championships (F, GR, W)
18 – 23 March 2008	Senior Asian Championships (F, GR, W)
1 – 6 April 2008	Senior European Championships (F, GR, W), Tampere (FIN)
10 – 11 May 2008	1 st Greco-Roman qualification tournament, Cairo (EGY)
24 – 25 May 2008	2 nd Greco-Roman qualification tournament, Novi Sad (SRB)

FREESTYLE WRESTLING

18 – 23 September 2007	Senior World Championships, (F, GR, W) Baku (AZE)
28 February – 2 March 2008	Senior Pan-American Championships (F, GR, W)
6 – 9 March 2008	Senior African Championships (F, GR, W)
18 – 23 March 2008	Senior Asian Championships (F, GR, W)
1 – 6 April 2008	Senior European Championships (F, GR, W), Tampere (FIN)
19 – 20 April 2008	1 st freestyle qualification tournament, Martigny (SUI)
3 – 4 May 2008	2 nd freestyle qualification tournament, Warsaw (POL)

WOMEN'S WRESTLING

18 – 23 September 2007	Senior World Championships, (F, GR, W) Baku (AZE)
28 February – 2 March 2008	Senior Pan-American Championships (F, GR, W)
6 – 9 March 2008	Senior African Championships (F, GR, W)
18 – 23 March 2008	Senior Asian Championships (F, GR, W)
1 – 6 April 2008	Senior European Championships (F, GR, W), Tampere (FIN)
17 – 18 May 2008	1 st qualification tournament for women's wrestling, Edmonton (CAN)
31 May – 1 June 2008	2 nd qualification tournament for women's wrestling, Happaranda (SWE)

The exact venues for the qualification tournaments will be decided in October 2007, after the 2007 Senior World Championships.

15 June 2008	FILA, in collaboration with ANOC and the IOC, to confirm allocation of the final qualification places
30 June 2008	Deadline for confirmation by NOCs that they will use the places obtained
10 July 2008	FILA to confirm final allocation of places
23 July 2008	Deadline for the Beijing 2008 Organising Committee to receive entry forms submitted by the NOCs

DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF PLACES
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At the end of each qualification phase, FILA will confirm to the NOCs concerned the athletes who have qualified for the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing.

By 15 June 2008, FILA will confirm the final allocation of places to the NOCs.

The NOCs must confirm to FILA by 30 June 2008 at the latest that their athletes will be participating in the Olympic Games, failing which FILA will reallocate the free places in accordance with the procedure described below.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES
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Any places not confirmed by the NOCs by 30 June 2008 will be reallocated to the next-best placed wrestlers in the category concerned in the respective qualification phases.