



2021 European Olympic Singles Qualification

Lisbon, Portugal . 10th - 14th Februarv 2021



Table Tennis, Europe – Qualification Event for the Games of the XXXII Olympiad at Tokyo in 2020

The European Olympic Singles Qualification will be organised in the city of Lisbon, Portugal, Wednesday 10th – Sunday 14th February 2021.

Each National Olympic Committee (NOC) may enter up to 4 players (maximum 2 men and 2 women) except that:

- The NOC whose team won the gold medal at the 2nd European Games team event (GER men and GER women) and the NOC whose team has qualified through the Olympic Team Qualification event in January 2020 for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games team events (men's teams CRO, FRA, POR, SLO, SRB, SWE and women's teams AUT, HUN, POL, ROU) cannot send players;
- The NOC whose player won the gold medal, silver medal and bronze medal at the 2nd European Games singles event and whose team did not qualify for the Olympic Team event may only send 1 man (DEN) or 1 woman (POR, LUX).

Maximum 2 players from an NOC can qualify for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games individual events.

5 men and 4 women will qualify for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games individual events. If additional qualification places are available the ETTU Executive Board will announce any required changes to the Playing Format described below.

The gold, silver and bronze medallists of the 2nd European Games singles event in Minsk, Belarus, 22nd – 29th June 2019, are direct qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games individual events.

The players will be seeded based on the **February 2021 Olympic Ranking list**, if not available at the time of the draw, the January 2021 Olympic Ranking list will be used.

All matches are the best of 7 games.

PLAYING FORMAT

Number of participants 44 to 56 players:

Days 1 and 2: Stage 1

3-4 players in 12 groups A-L are playing in round robin. There will be 8 seeded players.

- The 8 seeded players will not play in the groups but are direct qualified for Stage 2.
- The remaining players will be drawn into the 12 groups A-L 4 by 4 to positions 1-3 or 1-4 according to the snake system.
- Players from same NOC will be drawn into different groups. The winner and the runner up of each of the 12 groups A-L will qualify for Stage 2 together with the 8 seeded players, a total of 32 players.

Day 2 evening, day 3 and day 4 morning: Stage 2

There will be a direct K.O. draw of 32 players:

- The player seeded No 1 goes to position 1. The player seeded No 2 goes to position 32.
- The players seeded No 3 and No 4 are drawn to positions 16 and 17.



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- The players seeded No 5, No 6, No 7 and No 8 are drawn to positions 8, 9, 24 and 25.
- The winners of groups A-H are drawn to positions 4, 5, 12, 13, 20, 21, 28 and 29.
- The winners of groups I-L and the runners up of groups I-L are drawn to positions 3, 6, 11, 14, 19, 22, 27 and 30.
- The runners up of groups A-H are drawn to positions 2, 7, 10, 15, 18, 23, 26 and 31.
- Players from same NOC will be drawn into separate halves of the draw.
- The winner and the runner up of a Stage 1 group will be drawn into separate halves of the draw.

Men and Women, 2 Qualifiers: the 2 finalists of the Stage 2 K.O. draw are qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, (the final match shall not be played).

Days 4 and 5: Stage 3

The remaining 30 players from Stage 2 will continue in Stage 3 in a direct K.O. draw of 30 players with 2 byes (positions 2 and 31):

- The Stage 2 losing semi-finalists will be drawn to positions 1 and 32.
- The Stage 2 losing quarter-finalists will be drawn to positions 9, 16, 17 and 24.
- The Stage 2 losing eighth-finalists will be drawn to positions 5, 8, 12, 13, 20, 21, 25 and 28.
- The remaining players will be drawn to the remaining positions.
- Players from same NOC will be drawn into separate halves of the draw.
- Players who met in Stage 2 will be separated as far as possible.

Men, 3 Qualifiers: the 2 finalists of the Stage 3 K.O. draw are qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, (the final match shall not be played). The winner of the match between the losers of the Stage 3 semi-finals (men) is qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

Women, 2 Qualifiers: the 2 finalists of the Stage 3 K.O. draw are qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, (the final match shall not be played).

Number of participants 43 or less, 57 or more:

For less than 44 players or more than 56 players, the ETTU Executive Board will determine a playing format in consultation with the ETTU Technical Committee chair and the ITTF Technical Commissioner.

The playing format will be announced within 72 hours following the entry deadline and will be based on Stage 1 groups, Stage 2 K.O. and Stage 3 K.O.

Day 5: Reserve list

- Men:
Loser of the Stage 3 third place match will be position 1 on the European reserve list for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games. Additional reserves, if required, will be taken from the Stage 3 losing quarter-finalists, in ranking order at the date the reserve is required.
- Women:
The losers of the Stage 3 semi-finals play for position 1 and 2 on the European reserve list for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games. Additional reserves, if required, will be taken from the Stage 3 losing quarter-finalists, in ranking order at the date the reserve is required.



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ORDER OF PLAY

- Taking into account in each Stage 1 group, 2 players move forward to qualify for Stage 2 K.O., the order of play will be as follows:

Group of 3 (2 qualifiers for Stage 2): 1-3, 1-2, 2-3.

Group of 4 (2 qualifiers for Stage 2): 1-3, 2-4; 1-2, 3-4; 1-4, 2-3.

PLAYING SCHEDULE

- Days 1 and 2 Stage 1
Maximum 3 matches per player
- Day 2 Stage 2
Maximum 1 match per player
- Day 3 Stage 2
Maximum 2 matches per player
- Day 4 Stage 2
Maximum 1 match per player
- Day 4 Stage 3
Maximum 2 matches per player
- Day 5 Stage 3
Maximum 3 matches per player

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