Qualification and quota system (Sep 2020)

World Championship Entry Requirements

The Representation of nations should reflect the events to be held at the Teqball World Championships. (herein after quota).

FITEQ distinguish two types of WCH quotas:

**Individual quota** – athletes eligible to enter and compete in the Singles event.
**Team quota** – teams eligible to enter and compete at Doubles OR Mixed Doubles event.

Team quota ensures eligibility for the members of team jointly to enter and compete at Doubles OR Mixed Doubles event.

The quota (both individual and team) is valid under the condition that every individual athlete has an active FITEQ registration at least for the month in which the WCH is organised.

Qualification to Teqball World Championships

1. Qualification can be obtained along with **qualifying position reached at National Qualifier(s)** organised by recognized National Federation*, approved, and proclaimed by FITEQ on its official website at least 30 days prior to the event.

   To ensure the acquisition of the necessary documents ensuring the entry to the hosting country for athletes concerned, all Qualifiers should be held at least 30 days before the official draw of the World Championships of the calendar year in question.

   The organiser of the qualifier(s) is obliged to invite all athletes eligible to represent the nation concerned with FITEQ World Ranking position in the affected calendar year.

   Organisers of the National Qualifiers are entitled to collect entry fee for the qualification tournament(s) up to 20 EUR per athlete and per event.

   Organisers that provide participants with adequate drinking water and covers the meals for the athletes during the official competition days as a part of the athlete services, are entitled to collect a higher entry fee that cannot exceed 50 EUR per participant and per event.

   All cases brought to its attention are investigated by FITEQ and will initiate proceedings.

   Membership fee collected by National Federation is not considered to be as entry fee.
In case of multiple qualifiers, the cumulated point results shall be decisive.

*For nations where the degree of organization of teqball does not reach the status of a FITEQ recognised national federation, entities may apply to organise the qualifier(s) the following order:

- Member – FITEQ Recognized National Federation
- Entity Prospective Status
- Interested
- Club

The above listed organisers FITEQ provides financial contribution up to the amount of the organisational support as at the Challenger Cup Structure in power (Annexe 1) and additional 500 EUR amount as for Social Media contribution.

2. In case of nations in which the degree of organization of teqball does not reach the level of clubs, FITEQ reserves the right to call up athletes to be represented at the Teqball World Championships upon invitation.

Nations that do not meet the qualification requirements as detailed above, loose their automatic right to participate at the Teqball World Championships.

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**Allocation Quotas**

Quotas are allocated upon the types of the events held at the World Championships.

**SINGLES EVENT**

Athletes obtaining individual quota are entitled to represent the nation they are eligible for by their names.

Each nation is entitled for 1 (one) individual quota, which ensures the listing of 1 (one) athlete eligible to represent the nation concerned at the Singles event of the Teqball World Championships.

Athlete to be listed for quota confirmation:

1. the winner (the athlete ranked at the 1st place) of the Singles event held at the national qualifier(s) held at the calendar year in question
Replacing athletes can be listed upon well based grounds up until the time of the official draw including the replacement request subject to FITEQ approval.

If, for any reason, an athlete obtained individual quota for the WCH is unable to take part or compete for the replacement of the affected athlete the following rules shall apply:

If an athlete is unable to compete for any reason, the National Federation is entitled to designate a new player within 72 hours from the announcement of replacement. All changes in respect of the athletes shall be reported by the National Federation affected. Consequently, only replacing athletes confirmed by the said National Federation are accepted.

For the investigation of the circumstances, all official documents related to the matter must be sent through along with the request for replacement. All requests and evidence should be translated in English language.

If FITEQ considers the justification to be satisfactory after the investigation performed, the quota can be handed over to the replacing athlete:

1. the athlete ranked at the next place of the Singles event held at the national qualifier(s) at the calendar year in question

168 hours prior to the official draw for the World Championships, request for replacement can only be accepted with a satisfactory medical justification. FITEQ is entitled to set up a temporary medical panel to conduct clinical investigations and make decision based on the recommendation of the said medical panel.

Replacement requests submitted 72 hours prior the official draw are dismissed. Unless otherwise advised by the Board of FITEQ.

**DOUBLES EVENTS**

Athletes obtaining team quota are entitled to represent the nation they are eligible for at the Doubles or the Mixed- Doubles event of the Teqball World Championships.

Each nation is entitled to list minimum 2 (two) maximum 3 (three) (including 1 reserve) athletes 6 weeks prior to the official draw.

The official order for the athletes to be listed for quota confirmation is the following:

1. the winners (the team ranked at the 1st place) of the Doubles or the Mixed- Doubles event held at the national qualifier(s)

2. replacing athlete
All costs incurring related to the replacement athlete (including insurance and visa) shall be borne by the National Federation unless otherwise advised by FITEQ.

Replacement can be requested only during the Group stage. After the double is completed with the replacement athlete no further replacement or re-replacement can be undertaken.

The replacing athlete as he or she is finishing the competition, is naturally entitled to be awarded with medal, and represent the doubles team in question at the award ceremony.

The athlete being replaced is also entitled to be awarded accordingly, but not entitled to represent the affected doubles team on the podium.

In possession of team quota, the same rules shall apply to the mixed-doubles team.

**Representation of the Home Nation**

FITEQ ensures the maximum quota (both individual and team quotas) for the Home Nation for each event held at the Teqball World Championships.

**Confirmation of the quotas**

The qualified nations must confirm their partial or total use of quotas by sending an email to: competition.teqball@fiteq.org with QUOTA in the subject line according to the World Championships prospectus.

Athletes that are entitled to represent their nation upon quota obtained by invitation are also obliged to confirm their quota.

Upon assessment of the documentation sent through and the investigation conducted in respect of the eligibility of the athletes in question, FITEQ confirms the quotas.