

## Sport Explanatory Brochure

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### **About the Sport Explanatory Brochures**

The Sport Explanatory Brochures you are reading offer an introduction to each sport at the 2nd Summer Youth Olympic Games, Nanjing 2014, as well as providing information on some other key issues that may be of interest and importance to all participating teams.

Each Brochure is divided into several topics:

Sport-specific information on subjects such as the competition format and schedule, training and qualification system.

Key contacts.

All information contained in this Explanatory Brochure was correct at the time of compilation. However, please note that certain details may change between our compilation and the Games. NOCs are advised to check the official website of the 2nd Summer Youth Olympic Games, Nanjing 2014 for updates.

Wish you a pleasant stay in Nanjing!



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### 2. Key Dates & Activities

Date	Time	Meetings	Venue
Aug 15	14:00	Technical Meeting	Nanjing International Expo Center Hall E (IEE)
Aug 16	10:00	Refereeing Meeting	Nanjing International Expo Center Hall E (IEE)

### 3. Events & Quotas

### 3.1 EVENTS

Men's Events (3)	Women's Events (3)	Mixed Event (1)
Epee Individual Foil Individual Sabre Individual	Epee Individual Foil Individual Sabre Individual	Mixed Continental Team Competition



#### 3.2 QUOTAS

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Universality Places	Total
Men	between 27 and 33	3	6	between 36 and 42
Women	between 27 and 33	3	6	Between 36 and 42
Total	60	6	12	78

### 3.3 NOC QUOTA

	Maximum Quota Per NOC
Men	3 (1 per weapon)
Women	3 (1 per weapon)
Total	6

### 4. Qualification System

#### 4.1 ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to participate in the Youth Olympic Games, athletes must be born between 1 January 1997 and 31 December 1999.

#### 4.2 QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

### 4.2.1 Individual competitions

4.2.1.1 For each weapon, the nine (9) best ranked fencers from all continents at the Cadet World Championships held in April 2014 will be qualified to participate in the Youth Olympic Games, respecting the following distribution and with a maximum of one fencer per weapon per NOC:

Africa: 1 place per event America: 2 places per event Asia/Oceania: 2 places per event



Europe: 4 places per event

4.2.1.2 The six (6) additional places will be allocated per continent to the next best ranked fencers at the Cadet World Championships, with a maximum of one fencer per weapon per NOC, and respecting the following distribution:

Oceania: 2 places all weapons, genders and countries of the continent included.

Africa: 1 place all weapons, genders and countries of the continent included.

America: 1 place all weapons, genders and countries of the continent included.

Asia: 1 place all weapons, genders and countries of the continent included.

Europe: 1 place all weapons, genders and countries of the continent included.

4.2.1.3 If, even in different weapons categories, two or more fencers are ex-aequo because they have the same ranking, the younger/youngest fencer will qualify.

4.2.1.4 Should the Cadet World Championships not take place in 2014, the respective Cadet Continental Championships taking place between 1 April 2013 and 8 June 2014 will serve as qualifying events for the Youth Olympic Games.

### 4.2.2 Mixed team competition

The mixed team competition will consist of continental teams of six (6) competitors each (3 men, 1 for each weapon and 3 women, 1 for each weapon) who will be chosen on the basis of the individual rankings at the Youth Olympic Games.

### 4.3 HOST COUNTRY REPRESENTATION

The host country will have the right to enter one (1) fencer per weapon (total of 6 fencers).



#### 4.4 UNIVERSALITY PLACES

To be eligible to receive Universality Places, athletes must comply with the Eligibility criteria as defined under Point 4.1. of this document. Six (6) Universality Places will be available, depending on whether the technical level allows it, and will be determined by the YOG Tripartite Commission.

### 5. Qualification Timeline

Date	Milestone
March 2013	Validation of final allocation of Universality Places by YOG Tripartite Commission
April 1, 2014 - June 8, 2014	YOG 2014 qualification period
April 2014 (dates TBC)	Cadet World Championships (location TBC)
April 20, 2014	The FIE establishes the list of fencers who qualified through the Cadet World Championships and informs the NOCs
May 4, 2014	Deadline for NOCs to confirm the use of the qualification places obtained at the Cadet World Championships
July 8, 2014	Entries deadline by name for all sports
August 16 - 28, 2014	2ndsummer Youth Olympic Games - Nanjing 2014

### 6. Competition Format

The Nanjing 2014 Youth Olympic Games Fencing Competition comprises three men individual events, three women individual events and one team event including both genders and all weapons. A total of 78 athletes will compete in the seven Fencing events at the Youth Olympic Games.

The Fencing Competition will be held at the Nanjing International Expo Center from August 17 to August 20, 2014.



#### 6.1 Individual Events

Each individual event consists of two phases: a pool round and a direct elimination phase.

#### Pool Round:

In the pool round, all fencers will be allocated into pools according to their ranking based on the 2014 Cadet World Championships final ranking and with a maximum of seven (7) fencers in each pool. Fencers will compete against all others in their pool. A pool ranking will then be calculated based on standard FIE rules. This overall pool rank will be used to seed fencers into the direct elimination bracket.

The direct elimination in the individual events is divided into round of 16, quarterfinals, semifinals and finals. Winners of semifinals will compete for gold and silver medals, losers will compete for bronze medal. If more than 16 fencers in an individual event, a round of 32 format will be used.

#### 6.2 Team Event

The team event competition is a direct elimination, divided into a round of 16, guarterfinals, semifinals and finals.

A team consists of three men, three women each of them using a different weapon. In a team match each fencer weapon specialist will compete against the fencer weapon specialist from the other team of the same gender.

Two (2) days before the start of the individual competition, during the Team Managers' meeting, a draw will be organized to determine the order of the weapons during team matches. Genders and weapons will be alternated. For example, the draw starts with one of the three female weapons, the Women's Foil. From the male weapons, there will be a draw between the Men's Epee and Men's Sabre to alternate gender and weapon, etc.



# 6.3 Differences between the FIE Cadet World Championships and the Youth Olympic Games

Team composition for the FIE Cadet World Championships is based on NOC level. On Youth Olympic Games team level is continent and teams are mixed gender mixed weapon.

### 7. Competition Rules & Procedures

The Fencing Competitions at the Youth Olympic Games will be held in accordance with the FIE Rules of Fencing and the Olympic Charter, which are in force at the time of the 2014 Youth Olympic Games.

Pursuant to the Olympic Charter, the FIE assumes the responsibility for the technical control and direction of its sport at the Youth Olympic Games.

#### 7.1 Individual Events

During the pool round phase each bout consists of one period of three (3) minutes. The fencer who first scores five valid hits on the opponent or scores the most hits by the end of the bout is the winner

In the event of a tie at the end of the three (3) minutes, fencers will fence for a further one (1) minute. The first fencer to score a hit is the winner. A draw conducted by the referee prior to the start of this minute will determine the winner if neither fencer scores during the extra time period. During the direct elimination phase, each bout consists of three period of three (3) minutes each, with an interval of one (1) minute between periods. The fencer who first scores 15 valid hits on the opponent or scores the most hits by the end of the bout is the winner. If the fencers are tied at the end of normal bout time, one (1) minute extra time is played. The first fencer to score a hit on the opponent is the winner. Prior to the start of extra time a draw will be held to determine



the winner, if either fencer scores during the extra time period.

In case of passivity, the referee may decide to shorten the first two periods and move on directly to the next period, without any interval between the periods. If this happens during the third period, the period is interrupted and a one (1) minute extra time period is played, but in this case the full minute is played to determine the winner. Prior to the start of extra time a draw will be held to determine the winner, if neither fencer scores during the extra time period.

#### 7.2 Team Event

A match between two teams therefore consists of six bouts:

The first bout will finish when the first fencer makes five hits, or after three (3) minutes if either of them has made five hits.

The second bout will finish when the first fencer reaches the team cumulative score of ten, or after six (6) minutes.

The third bout will finish when the first fencer reaches the team cumulative score of 15.or after nine (9) minutes and so on.

A team match is finished either after 30 hits or after the sixth bout.

In the event of a tie at then end of the last bout of a match, fencers will fence for a further one (1) minute. The first fencer to score a hit is the winner. A draw conducted by the referee prior to the start of this minute will determine the winner if neither fencer scores during the extra time period.

#### 7.3 Code of Conduct

The FIE rules and regulations will be enforced during the Youth Olympic Games Fencing Competition.

### 7.4 Protests and Appeals

Protests and appeals can be made according to the related FIE rules.



### 8. Equipment & Clothing

Equipment used or clothing worn by athletes and other participants at the Youth Olympic Games Fencing Competition must comply with the FIE Constitution and Technical Rules and with the Bye-Law to Rule 50 of the Olympic Charter.

### 9. Doping Control

The Nanjing 2014 Anti-doping team will plan and implement the YOG Doping Control Programme in accordance with the World Anti-Doping Code, IOC Anti-Doping Rules and other related international standards.

The Doping Control Programme will specify the anti-doping activities to be conducted during the Games-time, including notification procedures, sample collection, storage and transport to the laboratory of China Anti-Doping Agency accredited by WADA.

The Programme is aimed at maintaining the dignity of the Olympic Movement and protecting athletes' fundamental right to participate in clean sports, so as to promote the health, justice and equality of athletes in sports events.

The test biological specimens, including urine and blood samples, will be collected from selected athletes from the date of YOV official opening to the date of the Closing Ceremony of Nanjing 2014 (12 August to 28 August 2014). All samples will be sent to the laboratory of China Anti–Doping Agency for analysis.



## 10. Competition Venue

Name	Distance to YOV	Driving Time	Seats Capacity
Nanjing International Expo Center(IEE)	2km	5min	1,000

## 11. Event Schedule by Day

	Day 1 August 17
Session	Nanjing International Expo Centre Hall E
9:30-11:30	Women Foil Individual Poules
12:00–12:25	Women Foil Individual Round of16
12:40–13:05	Women Foil Individual Quarterfinals
13:15–14:15	Men Sabre Individual Poules
14:45–15:05	Men Sabre Individual Round of 16
15:15–15:35	Men Sabre Individual Quarterfinals
15:45–16:10	Women Foil Individual Semifinals
16:10–16:30	Men Sabre Individual Semifinals
17:00–17:25	Women Foil Individual 3rd place
17:25–17:45	Men Sabre Individual 3rd place
17:45–18:10	Women Foil Individual Finals
18:10–18:30	Men Sabre Individual Finals
	Day 2 August 18
Session	Nanjing International Expo Centre Hall E
9:30–11:30	Women Epee Individual Poules
12:00–12:25	Women Epee Individual Round of 16
12:40–13:05	Women Epee Individual Quarterfinals
13:15–15:15	Men Epee Individual Poules
15:45–16:10	Men Epee Individual Round of 16



	Day 2 August 18		
16:30–16:55	Men Epee Individual Quarterfinals		
17:15–17:40	Women Epee Individual Semifinals		
17:40–18:05	Men Epee Individual Semifinals		
18:05–18:30	Women Epee Individual 3rd place		
18:30–18:55	Men Epee Individual 3rd place		
18:55–19:20	Women Epee Individual Finals		
19:20–19:45	Men Epee Individual Finals		
	Day 3 August 19		
Session	Nanjing International Expo Centre Hall E		
9:30-11:30	Men Foil Individual Poules		
12:00-12:25	Men Foil Individual Round of16		
12:40–13:05	Men Foil Individual Quarterfinals		
13:15–14:15	Women Sabre Individual Poules		
14:45–15:05	Women Sabre Individual Round of 16		
15:15–15:35	Women Sabre Individual Quarterfinals		
15:45–16:10	Men Foil Individual Semifinals		
16:10–16:30	Women Sabre Individual Semifinals		
17:00–17:25	Men Foil Individual 3rd place		
17:25–17:45	Women Sabre Individual 3rd place		
17:45–18:10	Men Foil Individual Finals		
18:10–18:30	Women Sabre Individual Finals		
	Day 4 August 20		
Session	Nanjing International Expo Centre Hall E		
9:30–10:10	Mixed Team Round of16		
10:30–11:10	Mixed Team Quarterfinals		
11:40–12:20	Mixed Team Placement 5–8		
12:50–13:30	Mixed Team Placement 5 and 7		
13:40–14:20	Mixed Team Semifinals		
14:50–15:30	Mixed Team 3rd Place		
15:40–16:20	Mixed Team Finals		

<sup>\*</sup>The event schedule is subject to change in accordance with the final entries.



### 12. Training Information

#### 12.1 TRAINING VENUE

Name	Distance to YOV	Driving Time
Nanjing International Expo Center(IEE)	2km	5min

#### 12.2 TRAINING POLICIES

Training facilities will be provided for all athletes from the opening of the Youth Olympic Village (YOV) (12 August 2014).

Training sessions at the training venue will be allocated by the competition management on a rotational basis. Each NOC will be allocated one training session per day. Each session is two hours.

### 13. Medals

The top three winners in the finals will each receive a Gold medal, Silver medal and Bronze medal respectively.

### 14. Victory Ceremonies

Victory Ceremonies will be held in accordance with the requirements of the YOG Event Manual of the IOC.

The Victory Ceremonies will be held following the completion of each event final on the Field of Play (FOP). Medallists will be invited onto a podium to receive the medals and the mascots in the sequence of the bronze, silver, and gold medallists. At the Ceremony, the anthem of the NOC of the gold medallist will be played; and meanwhile the flags of the NOC of the medallists will be raised. The Olympic flag and anthem will be used for the mixed NOC team events.



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