

## European Canoe Association - Canoe Sprint

### A. Disciplines and Events

#### Kayak

Men's Categories (3)	Men's Events (6)	Women's Categories (3)	Women's Events (6)
K1-Men	K-1 200m	K1-Women	K-1 200m
	K-1 1000m		K-1 500m
	K-1 5000m		K-1 5000m
K2-Men	K-2 200m	K2-Women	K-2 200m
	K-2 1000m		K-2 500m
K4-Men	K-4 1000m	K4-Women	K-4 500m

#### Canoe

Men's Categories (2)	Men's Events (3)
C1-Men	C-1 200m
	C-1 1000m
C2-Men	C-2 1000m

### B. Athlete Quota

#### 1. Total quota for Sport/ Events

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Universality Places	Total
Men	203	2	*	205
Women	144	1	*	145
<b>Total</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>350</b>

\* Universality process described in section D Qualification Process.

## 2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC

Category Quota per NOC	
Category	Athletes (boats)
Men Kayak	11 (6 boats)
Men Canoe	4 (3 boats)
Women Kayak	11 (6 boats)
<b>Total</b>	<b>26 (15 boats)*</b>

\* Maximum of one boat per event per NOC

Event Specific Quota			
Men's Events	Athletes(Boats)	Women's Events	Athletes(Boats)
K-1 200m	23(23)	K-1 200m	18(18)
K-1 1000m	23(23)	K-1 500m	18(18)
K-1 5000m	13(13)	K-1 5000m	13(13)
K-2 200m	28(14)	K-2 200m	28(14)
K-2 1000m	28(14)	K-2 500m	28(14)
K-4 1000m	40(10)	K-4 500m	40(10)
C-1 200m	15(15)		
C-1 1000m	15(15)		
C-2 1000m	20(10)		
<b>Total</b>	<b>205(137)</b>		<b>145(87)</b>

## 3. Quota (Minimum number of Athletes) for the Host NOC

Host NOC Event Specific Quota			
Men's Event	Athletes(Boats)	Women's Event	Athletes(Boats)
K-1 1000m	1(1)	K-1 500m	1(1)
C-1 1000m	1(1)		
<b>Total</b>	<b>2(2)*</b>		<b>1(1)*</b>

\* The quota places allocated to the Host NOC would be taken from the lowest ranked NOC(s) in the respective event.

#### 4. Type of Allocation of Quota Places

- Athlete quota places will be allocated to the respective NOC and not to Competitor(s) that achieved the place in the qualification event.
- An athlete can qualify and compete in one or more events; however the athlete can only acquire one athlete place for its NOC regardless of how many places or boats that athlete qualifies in other events.

For example, Athlete A qualifies in K1 and K2 with athlete B from the same NOC. This would result in two athlete quota places and two boats being eligible for the European Games. The quotas would be attributed to the largest boat category qualified, in this example it would be K2. The third athlete quota would be reallocated according to the unused athlete quota places process in the K1 category.

## C. Eligibility

### Athlete Eligibility

Only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter (at all times) may participate in the European Games. For the sake of clarity, all athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter in force during the qualification period for the European Games up until the end of the period of the European Games.

#### Age Requirements

All athletes participating in the Baku 2015 European Games must be born prior to January 1<sup>st</sup> 2001.

#### Medical and Anti-Doping Requirements

To be eligible to participate in the Baku 2015 European Games, all athletes must satisfy the medical requirements according to ICF Medical and Anti-Doping Committee.

To be eligible to participate in the Baku 2015 European Games, all athletes must comply with anti-doping controls in accordance with the ICF and WADA Doping Rules.

#### Additional European Canoe Association (ECA) Requirements

To be eligible to participate in the Baku 2015 European Games, all athletes must have participated at the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships.

## D. Qualification Process

The qualification system allows for the participation of the best athletes through a fair and transparent process within the framework of the Olympic Charter.

## Qualification Places

### **Individual Qualification: MEN**

Number of Quota Places	Qualifying Event or Ranking	Quota Place allocated to
205	<p><b>Qualification Event Type:</b> 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships 11-13 July 2014</p> <p><b>Qualification Process:</b> The best ranked athletes will achieve quota places in that specific event for their NOC.</p> <p><b>K1 and C1 events</b> Athletes will have one opportunity to obtain an athlete quota place from the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships.</p> <p><b>K2 events</b> The 14 best ranked NOC-s from the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships in all K2 Men's events will receive two (2) athlete quota places each.</p> <p><b>K4 events</b> All the places will be allocated from the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships. The 10 best ranked NOCs from the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships will receive four (4) athlete quota places each.</p> <p><b>C2 Event</b> The 10 best ranked NOCs from the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships in the C2 Men's event will receive two (2) athlete quota places each</p> <p><b>Qualification in the same Boat Category over two distances</b> Where the same athlete qualifies an athlete quota place in the same boat category but for two different distances (ie. K1 Men 1000m and K1 Men 200m), the NOC will be attributed the place in 1000m for men. The unused athlete quota place in the 200m distance will be reattributed to the next best ranked NOC in that event, not yet qualified.</p>	NOC

**Individual Qualification: WOMEN**

Number of Quota Places	Qualifying Event or Ranking	Quota Place allocated to
145	<p><b>Qualification Event Type:</b> 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships 11-13 July 2014</p> <p><b>Qualification Process:</b> The best ranked athletes will achieve quota places in that specific event for their NOC.</p> <p><b>K1 events</b> Athletes will have one opportunity to obtain an athlete quota place from the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships</p> <p><b>K2 events</b> The 14 best ranked NOCs from the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships in all K2 Women's events will receive two (2) athlete quota places each.</p> <p><b>K4 events</b> All the places will be allocated from the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships. The 10 best ranked NOCs from the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships will receive four (4) athlete quota places each.</p> <p><b>Qualification in the same Boat Category over two distances</b> Where the same athlete qualifies an athlete quota place in the same boat category but for two different distances (ie. K1 Women 500m and K1 Women 200m), the NOC will be attributed the place in 500 m for women. The unused athlete quota place in the 200m distance will be reattributed to the next best ranked NOC in that event, not yet qualified.</p>	NOC

**Host NOC Allocation**

Allocation Process
<p>The Host NOC is guaranteed subject to meeting the eligibility criteria in section C.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 places in the Men's Events (K-1 1000m and C-1 1000m)</li> <li>• 1 place in the Women's Events (K-1 500m)</li> </ul>

## Universality

### Allocation Numbers

#### Universality

Any NOC that has not obtained a male quota place in an event at the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships will be entitled to one (1) athlete place in either the K-1 1000m or C-1 1000m.

Any NOC that has not obtained a female quota place in an event at the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships will be entitled to one (1) athlete place in K-1 women 500 m.

These places will be taken from the lowest ranked NOC(s) in the respective event per gender.

## E. Confirmation process for Quota Places

The ECA will inform NOCs/NFs in writing on 30 August 2014 of the athlete quota places they have obtained at the Qualification Event.

Eligible NOCs must inform the ECA in writing by 15 September 2014 whether or not they intend to participate at the European Games.

By 30 September 2014 the ECA will reallocate all available quota places.

## F. Reallocation of unused quota places

Should an NOC return an athlete quota place that has been obtained from the 2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships, the next best ranked NOC in that event, not yet qualified, will be allocated the athlete quota place. This process will be repeated until all places are allocated.

## G. Qualification Timeline

Date	Milestone
11-13 July 2014	2014 Canoe Sprint European Championships ( <i>Brandenburg, Germany</i> )
30 August 2014	ECA to inform BEGOC & NOCs/NFs of their allocated quota places
15 September 2014	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to ECA.
30 September 2014	ECA to reallocate all unused quota places

## H. 2016 Olympic Qualification

No qualification for the 2016 Olympic Games will be available at the 2015 European Games for Canoe Sprint.