



# European Fencing Confederation Confédération Européenne d'Esgrime

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## Senior European Championships/European Games – Krakow 25-30.06.2023

### Information Letter no. 27-2022

Dear Member Federation,

In 2023 two huge events will be combined in one tournament: Senior European Championships and European Games, which will take place in Krakow in date of 25-30.06.2023. Senior European Championships is organised under the FIE flag which means that all rules and rights of members of the FIE and EFC must be applied during the Event which is confirmed in the official statement received from the European Olympic Committee (EOC). Based on the FIE rules all member federations have the right to register fencers to the Senior European Championships through the FIE website, based on the internal criteria approved by each member federation.

The letter from EOC says:

***“We appreciate that Fencing event at the 2023 EG acts as European Championships and we are committed to respect the FIE rules. Therefore, there is no qualification for fencers to the European Games, which will make fencing one of the three biggest sports by number of athletes in the 2023 EG”.***

In aforementioned statement it was explained that the registering system of fencers will be actually the same as it is known from the system used at Olympic Games, i.e. the entries will have to be done in two ways. The main register will have to be effectuated via National Olympic Committees (NOC) by respective national fencing federations, whilst the second way will be standard procedure carrying out the entries on the FIE website in order to guarantee correct seeding of fencers and national teams according to the FIE Rules in force.

Please be advised that the entries on the FIE website should follow after expressed approval of the relevant NOC. In a view that EOC is not requiring any qualification procedure, and even more, it will substantially contribute to the expenses of the athletes participating in European Games, we believe that giving described conditions, all national fencing federations which are willing to delegate their fencers will get an approval from their NOC.

Considering quite complicated system of the inscriptions as well as the established deadline for registering fencers imposed by EOC (June 2, 2023) we would strongly recommend to consult this letter and statement of the EOC with your NOC without undue delay.

In case of any complication appears you are requested to inform the EFC General Secretary.

I have attached the official statement of the EOC to this letter.

**Jacek Slupski**  
General Secretary