



The World Games Chengdu 2025 Racquetball Competition – Qualification and Seeding

The World Games will take place in Chengdu, China, between July 7 and July 17, 2025. Teams will arrive in China on July 12th and depart on July 18th due to flight availability. The Racquetball competition will be held at the High Tech Zone Sport Center in Southern Chengdu from July 13th to July 17th.

For the first time in history, the International World Games Association (IWGA) has approved the addition of Mixed Doubles. Therefore, Men's Singles, Women's Singles, and Mixed Doubles divisions will be offered.

Thirty-two Racquetball athletes–16 men and 16 women– will form 16 National Teams, i.e. one man and one woman who will each play singles and also compete together in Mixed Doubles. The National Federations have the right and the responsibility to form and present the Teams that will represent their countries at The World Games.

Following IWGA guidelines/preferences, the IRF will allocate a pre-determined minimum number of quota places per continent, in addition to the main qualifying event, which will be the XXII IRF World Racquetball Championships San Antonio 2025.

- Asia (including the host country, China): 4 teams
- Europe: 4 teams
- The Americas: 8 teams

The final results of the Overall Combined Team Competition of the XXII IRF World Racquetball Championships San Antonio 2025 will be the qualifying event for The World Games Chengdu 2025.

The National Federations must confirm the acceptance of the quotas and notify IRF President Osvaldo Maggi with a deadline of 31 December 2024 via an official notification letter from the National Federation President. Then, during the reallocation quota period the IRF will offer the available position starting from the top of the ranking of the qualified teams from WRC San Antonio 2024.





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Seeding the draws of The World Games 2025

Seeding will be based on the separate final positions of each division in the individual competition for Men's Singles, Women's Singles, and Mixed Doubles. The men's and women's singles divisions will be seeded using only the best position achieved by one male and one female player from each country.

Ties between players who have finished in the same stage will be broken according to the following criteria:

- 1- The difference between games won and games lost between tied players in the Draw.
- 2- The difference between points won and points lost between tied players in the Draw.
- 3- Position reached in the Round Robin.
- 4- The difference between games won and games lost between tied players in the Round Robin.
- 5- The difference between points won and points lost between tied players in the Round Robin
- 6- Random lottery system done at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

If a National Federation is not included in a pre-allocated quota by continent participation in the WRC 2024 is mandatory to qualify. The positions obtained by invitation will be seeded by raffle and will fill the last positions of the ranking.

If a National Federation receives a second quota after the relocation quota period, that team will be seeded after the originally qualified teams and before the invited teams.

If you have any questions please contact IRF Director Mauro Grandio at <u>maurograndio@internationalracquetball.org</u>.

We wish you good luck in your efforts to qualify for TWG 2025!

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