

TO ALL NATIONAL FEDERATIONS

Corsier-sur-Vevey, 6 March 2020

Subject: Situation with the OG Qualifiers

Dear President, dear colleagues,

Dear Wrestling Community,

With the recent outbreak of COVID-19 the worldwide wrestling community has been asked to accommodate a number of adjustments to their competition schedules, including changes to the dates and locations of important Olympic Qualification events.

While the developments remain out of control our staff, bureau members, national federations, and continental leadership are working to find reasonable solutions. Our top priority is to protect the health of our athletes while also ensuring that qualification events for Tokyo 2020 are being planned in a way that respects their training regimens. It is of the utmost importance that the qualifying for Tokyo2020 takes place on the field of play. Wrestling is proud to boast the world's toughest athletes and there is no question that these recent developments will only strengthen our community's resolve.

Bureau Members, Executive Board members, staff and I are in continuous communication with our partners at the International Olympic Committee and we are dedicated to creating solutions that preserves our qualification system and keeps the public's health in consideration. We are completely aligned with the IOC heading to Tokyo with confidence.

For up-to-date information about our response to the global outbreak of COVID-19 and its impact on our events, please be sure to consult our website homepage and our various social media channels listed below. The IOC has also opened up its athlete portal Athlete365 for updating information about Tokyo 2020 and the impact of global travel restrictions.

I want to thank our millions of athletes, fans, and coaches worldwide for their patience and understanding during these past few months. Together we will get past these complicated times and once again enjoy the world's Oldest and Greatest sport in the leadup to Tokyo 2020.

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Athlete365: https://www.olympic.org/athlete365/