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LONDON 2012 OLYMPIC BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS



General information

The London 2012 Olympic Basketball Tournaments for Men and Women will take place in the Olympic Basketball Arena and the North Greenwich Arena from 28 July to 12 August.

Venues

Preliminary Round games of the Men's Basketball Tournament will be played in the Olympic Basketball Arena, while the Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals and Finals will be played in the North Greenwich Arena.

The Preliminary Round games and Quarter-Finals of the Women's Basketball Tournament will be played



Olympic Basketball Arena

in the Olympic Basketball Arena with the Semi-Finals and Finals then played in the North Greenwich Arena.

Draw and system of competition

The draw procedure and format of competition is identical for the men and women's tournaments.

The draw sees the 12 teams divided into two groups of six teams. During the Preliminary Round each team plays every other team in its group. The four highest-placed teams in each group qualify for the Quarter-Finals. The fifth- and sixth-placed teams in each group are eliminated and ranked ninth to 12th (9-12).

The winners of the Quarter-Finals qualify for the Semi-Finals. The losers are eliminated and ranked fifth to eighth (5-8).



North Greenwich Arena

The winners of the Semi-Finals contest the Final for first and second place (the Gold Medal Game); the losers contest the final for third and fourth place (the Bronze Medal Game).

Ranking within groups

Teams are ranked according to their win-loss records; two classification points for each game won, one classification point for each game lost (including games lost by default) and zero classification points for a game lost by forfeit.

If two teams have equal classification points, the result(s) of the game(s) between those teams will determine the standings (head to head).

If there are more than two teams with equal classification points, the classification points of the game(s) between the tied teams will be used to determine the standings (head to head).

If there are still teams tied after the previous procedure, the goal average (points scored divided by points against) of the games between the tied teams will be used to determine the standings.

If there are still teams tied after the previous procedure, the standings will be determined using the goal average of all the games played in the group of tied teams.

If teams remain tied after the above procedure, the standings in the pool will be determined by a draw in accordance with FIBA rules.



Men's Tournament

Twelve participating teams

Nine teams have already qualified: Argentina, Australia, Brazil, China, France, Great Britain, Spain, Tunisia, USA

- 1 place for the host nation (Great Britain)
- 1 place for the FIBA World Champion (USA)
- 2 places for the Americas (2011 FIBA Americas Championship winner and runner-up | Argentina & Brazil)
- 2 places for Europe (2011 EuroBasket winner and runner-up | Spain and France)
- 1 place for Africa (2011 FIBA Africa Championship winner | Tunisia)
- 1 place for Asia (2011 FIBA Asia Championship winner | China)
- 1 place for Oceania (2011 FIBA Oceania Championship winner | Australia)

Three teams qualify through the FIBA Olympic Qualifying Tournament (OQT) for Men (Caracas, Venezuela from 2 to 8 July)

12 team tournament

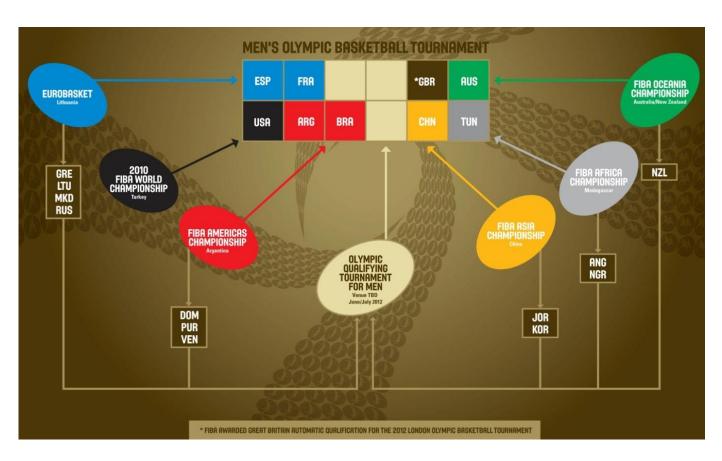
- 4 places for Europe (2011 EuroBasket ranks 3-6 | Russia, FYROM, Lithuania, Greece)
- 3 places for the Americas (2011 FIBA Americas C'ship ranks 3-5 | Dominican Rep., Puerto Rico & Venezuela)
- 2 places for Africa (2011 FIBA Africa Championship ranks 2-3 | Angola & Nigeria)
- 2 places for Asia (2011 FIBA Asia Championship ranks 2-3 | Jordan & Korea)
- 1 place for Oceania (2011 FIBA Oceania Championship runner-up | New Zealand)

The three OQT teams to qualify will be:

- The two winners of the Semi-Finals
- The winner of the 3rd-4th place playoff

The draw for the teams qualifying via the OQT will be held on 8 July, following the final game.

Graphic overview of Olympic Qualification



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Team profiles

Argentina

1st at 2011 FIBA Americas Championship for Men: 9 wins/1 defeat | Top scorer: Luis Scola 21.4ppg World ranking (men): 3rd | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 4 | Best Olympic result: 1st (2004)

Australia

1st at 2011 FIBA Oceania Championship for Men: 3 wins/0 defeats | Top scorer: Aleksandar Maric 15.7ppg

World ranking (men): 9th | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 12 | Best Olympic result: 4th (1988, 1996, 2000)

Brazil

2nd at 2011 FIBA Americas Championship for Men: 8 wins/2 defeats | Top scorer: Marcelo Huertas 11.6ppg

World ranking (men): 13th | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 13 | Best Olympic result: 3rd (1964, 1960, 1948)

China

1st at 2011 FIBA Asia Championship for Men: 9 wins/0 defeats | Top scorer: Yi Jianlian 16.6ppg World ranking (men): 10th | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 9 | Best Olympic result: 8th (1996, 2004, 2008)

France

 2^{nd} at EuroBasket Men 2011: 9 wins/2 defeats | Top scorer: Tony Parker 22.1ppg World ranking (men): 12^{th} | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 7 | Best Olympic result: 2^{nd} (2000)

Great Britain

Qualify as hosts (13th at EuroBasket: 2 win/3 defeats) | (Top scorer at EuroBasket: Luol Deng 24.6ppg)

World ranking (men): 43^{rd} | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 1 | Best Olympic result: 20^{th} (1948)

Spain

1st at EuroBasket Men 2011: 10 wins/1 defeat | Top scorer: Pau Gasol 20.1ppg World ranking (men): 2nd | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 10 | Best Olympic result: 2nd (1984, 2008)

Tunisia

 $1^{\rm st}$ at 2011 FIBA Africa Championship for Men: 7 wins/0 defeats | Top scorer: Macram Ben Romdhane 12.7ppg

World ranking (men): | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 0 | Best Olympic result: n/a

USA

1st at 2010 FIBA World Championship for Men: 9 wins/0 defeats | Top scorer: Kevin Durant 22.8 ppg

World ranking (men): 1st | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 16

Best Olympic result: 1st (1936, 1948, 1952, 1956, 1960, 1968, 1976, 1984, 1988, 1992, 1996, 2000, 2008).

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Schedule

29 Jul	31 Jul	2 Aug	4 Aug	6 Aug	8 Aug	10 Aug	12 Aug
Prelim.	Prelim.	Prelim.	Prelim.	Prelim.			
Round	Round	Round	Round	Round	Quarter-Finals	Semi-Finals	Finals
Basketball	Basketball	Basketball	Basketball	Basketball	North Greenwich	North Greenwhich	North Greenwhich
Arena	Arena	Arena	Arena	Arena	Arena	Arena	Arena
A6 v A1	A1 v A5	A4 v A1	A1 v A3	A2 v A1	2nd B v 3rd A	SF 1	
A5 v A2	A4 v A6	A3 v A5	A2 v A4	A6 v A3	1st A v 4th B	21.1	
A3 v A4	A2 v A3	A6 v A2	A5 v A6	A4 v A5			Gold medal game
B6 v B1	B1 v B5	B4 v B1	B1 v B3	B2 v B1	2nd A v 3rd B	SF 2	
B5 v B2	B4 v B6	B3 v B5	B2 v B4	B6 v B3	1st B v 4th A	3r Z	
							Bronze medal
B4 v B3	B2 v B3	B6 v B2	B5 v B6	B4 v B5			game

History

The Men's Olympic Basketball Tournament was first played at the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin. It has been played 17 times with four teams having won the gold medal: USA, USSR, Yugoslavia and Argentina.

Only two players have won four or more Olympic Basketball medals: Gennady Volnov (USSR - 1 gold, 2 silver and 1 bronze) and Sergey Belov (USSR - 1 gold, 1 silver and 1 bronze). Thirteen players, all from the USA, have won two gold medals. David Robinson (USA) is the only double gold medallist to also have won a bronze.

Rank	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	USA	13	1	2	16
2	USSR	2	4	3	9
3	Yugoslavia	1	4	1	6
4	Argentina	1	0	1	2
5	France	0	2	0	2
	Italy	0	2	0	2
	Spain	0	2	0	2
8	Canada	0	1	0	1
	Croatia	0	1	0	1
10	Brazil	0	0	3	3
	Lithuania	0	0	3	3
12	Uruguay	0	0	2	2
13	Cuba	0	0	1	1
	Mexico	0	0	1	1

Teofilo Cruz (PUR), Andrew Gaze (AUS) and Oscar Schmidt (BRA) hold the men's record for most Olympic Basketball appearances, having each played in five Olympic Games.



Women's Tournament

Twelve participating teams

Seven teams have already qualified: Angola, Australia, Brazil, China, Great Britain, Russia, **USA**

- 1 place for the host nation (Great Britain)
- 1 place for the FIBA World Champion (USA)
- 1 place for the Americas (2011 FIBA Americas Championship winner | Brazil)
- 1 place for Europe (2011 EuroBasket winner | Russia)
- 1 place for Africa (2011 FIBA Africa Championship winner | Angola)
- 1 place for Asia (2011 FIBA Asia Championship winner | China)
- 1 place for Oceania (2011 FIBA Oceania Championship winner | Australia)

Five teams qualify through the FIBA Olympic Qualifying Tournament (OQT) for Women (Ankara, Turkey from 25 June to 1 July)

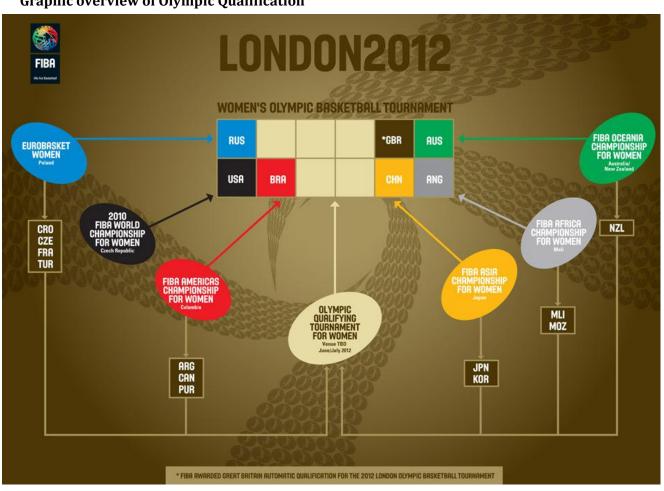
- 12 team tournament (top 5 teams earn a place in the Olympic Basketball Tournament)
- 4 places for Europe (2011 EuroBasket ranks 2-5 | Turkey, France, Czech Republic, Croatia)
- 3 places for the Americas (2011 FIBA Americas Championship ranks 2-4 | Argentina, Canada, Puerto Rico[‡])
- 2 places for Africa (2011 FIBA Africa Championship ranks 2-3 | Mali & Mozambique[‡])
- 2 place for Asia (2011 FIBA Asia Championship ranks 2-3 | Korea & Japan)
- 1 place for Oceania (2011 FIBA Oceania Championship runner-up | New Zealand)
- † Puerto Rico and Mozambique take the places of Cuba and Senegal respectively after these teams withdrew.

The five OQT teams to qualify will be:

- The four winners of the Quarter-Finals
- The winner of a knock-out round played between the losing Quarter-Finalists

The draw for the teams qualifying via the OQT will be held on 1 July, immediately following the final game.

Graphic overview of Olympic Qualification



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Team profiles

Angola

1st at 2011 FIBA Africa Championship for Women: 7 wins/1 defeat | Top scorer: Sonia Sebastião Guadalupe 11ppg

World ranking (women): 27th | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 0 | Best Olympic result: n/a

Australia

1st at 2011 FIBA Oceania Championship for Women: 3 wins/0 defeats | Top scorer: Suzy Batkovic 17.7ppg

World ranking (women): 2^{nd} | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 6 | Best Olympic result: 2^{nd} (2000, 2004, 2008)

Brazil

 $1^{\rm st}$ at 2011 FIBA Americas Championship for Women: 6 wins/0 defeats | Top scorer: Erika de Souza 16.2ppg

World ranking (women): 6th | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 5 | Best Olympic result: 2nd (1996)

China

1st at 2011 FIBA Asia Championship for Women: 6 wins/1 defeat | Top scorer: Chen Nan 18.3ppg World ranking (women): 7th | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 6 | Best Olympic result: 2nd (1992)

Great Britain

Qualify as hosts (11th at EuroBasket: 1 win/5 defeats) | (Top scorer at EuroBasket: Jo Leedham 12ppg)

World ranking (women): 49th | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 0 | Best Olympic result: n/a

Russia

 1^{st} at EuroBasket Women 2011: 7 wins/2 defeats | Top scorer: Elena Danilochkina 13.9ppg World ranking (women): 3^{rd} | Olympic appearances prior to 2012 (as Russia): 4 | Best Olympic result (as Russia): 3^{rd} (2004, 2008)

Olympic appearances as USSR: 4 | Best Olympic result as USSR: 1st (1976, 1980, 1992 [as CIS])

USA

1st at 2010 FIBA World Championship for Women: 9 wins/0 defeats | Top scorer: Diana Taurasi 12ppg

World ranking (women): 1st | Olympic appearances prior to 2012: 8 | Best Olympic result: 1 (1984, 1988, 1996, 2000, 2004, 2008).



Schedule

28 Jul	30 Jul	1 Aug	3 Aug	5 Aug	7 Aug	9 Aug	11 Aug
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A3 v A4	A2 v A3	A6 v A2	A5 v A6	A4 v A5			Gold medal game
B6 v B1	B1 v B5	B4 v B1	B1 v B3	B2 v B1	2nd A v 3rd B	SF 2	
B5 v B2	B4 v B6	B3 v B5	B2 v B4	B6 v B3	1st B v 4th A	Sr Z	
B4 v B3	B2 v B3	B6 v B2	B5 v B6	B4 v B5			Bronze medal game

History

The Women's Olympic Basketball Tournament was first played at the 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal, Canada. It has been played nine times with only three teams having won the gold medal: USA, USSR and the Commonwealth of Independent States (ex-USSR).

The USA's Teresa Edwards and Lisa Leslie are the most successful Olympic basketball players with four gold medals each. Edwards also has one bronze medal to her name.

Rank	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	USA	6	1	1	8
2	Soviet	2	0	1	3
	Union				
3	Unified	1	0	0	1
	Team (CIS)				
4	Australia	0	3	1	4
5	Brazil	0	1	1	2
	Bulgaria	0	1	1	2
	China	0	1	1	2
	Yugoslavia	0	1	1	2
9	Korea	0	1	0	1
	(South)				
10	Russia	0	0	2	2

Edwards also holds the record for most female Olympic Basketball appearances, having played in five Olympic Games.

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