

Book 1, Article 2.4

A question has been raised concerning eligibility for National Teams.

Response from the C&R Committee:

The C&R Committee agrees that according to Book 1, Article 2.4.2, an athlete may join a National Team without being a national of the National Team and without having a valid passport of the nation of the new National Team if the other conditions (residence for 1 year, being a member of the new Member Association, and not having shot for another Member Association for at least 1 year) are fulfilled.

In order to avoid complications and discussions on eligibility during a competition, and also as a simple matter of courtesy, the written permission of the Member Association of which the athlete has a valid passport is necessary, even if the athlete has not shot for this National Team before.

This position does not overrule a possibly different national ruling or the IOC Charter concerning the participation at the Olympic Games. Currently an archer in the situation mentioned above can compete and even obtain a quota place at a FITA event for the Olympic Games. However in order to compete at the Olympic Games he/she would need to have a passport from the country of his/her new National Team.

C&R Committee, 29 August 2005