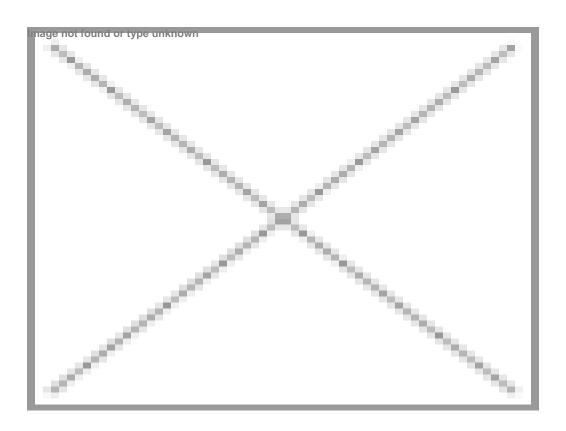


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UIPM STATEMENT: OLYMPIC GAMES SPORTING PROGRAMME



UIPM has released a statement in response to the announcement of athlete quotas for the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games this evening by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

The statement reads: "We note with considerable disappointment the decision by the IOC to reduce the LA28 quota for Modern Pentathlon from 72 to 64 athletes. It is clear that the selection of five new team sports especially for LA28 has created a challenge around overall athlete numbers.

"The decision is difficult to accept after everything the Pentathlon community has done to help remodel our historic multisport to become a leader in sport innovation, in line with the future direction of the Olympic Games. Modern Pentathlon worked in close collaboration with the IOC throughout this process, making the news even more unexpected. We look forward to further dialogue with the IOC Sports Department on this matter.

"That said, our community is resilient and we will prove to the world in three years' time that our new-look Pentathlon is worth an enhanced, not diluted, place in future Games."