COMPETITION	MINIMUM COMPETITORS	CLASSIFIED FENCERS REQUIRED	CLASSIFIED FENCERS MUST FINISH	CLASSIFICATIONS AWARDED
GROUP E1	6	NONE	N/A	1 → E
GROUP D1	15	NONE	N/A	1 → D 2-4 → E
GROUP C1	15	2 C's & 2 D's & 2 E's (or higher)	2 C's & 2 D's (or higher) in top 8	1 → C 2-4 → D 5-8 → E
GROUP C2	25	4 D's & 4 E's (or higher)	4 D's (or higher) in top 8	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \rightarrow \mathbf{C} \\ 2\text{-}4 \rightarrow \mathbf{D} \\ 5\text{-}8 \rightarrow \mathbf{E} \end{array}$
GROUP C3	64	24 D's & 12 E's (or higher)	4 D's in top 8 & 4 E's (or higher) in top 12	1-4 → C 5-8 → D 9-16 → E
GROUP B1	15	2 B's & 2 C's & 2 D's (or higher)	2 B's & 2 C's (or higher) in top 8	$1 \rightarrow B$ 2-4 \rightarrow C 5-6 \rightarrow D 7-8 \rightarrow E
GROUP B2	25	2 B's & 2 C's & 2 D's (or higher)	2 B's & 2 C's (or higher) in top 8	$1 \rightarrow B$ 2-4 \rightarrow C 5-8 \rightarrow D 9-12 \rightarrow E
GROUP B3	64	24 C's & 12 D's (or higher)	4 C's in top 8 & 4 D's (or higher) in top 12	$\begin{array}{c} 1\text{-}4 \rightarrow B\\ 5\text{-}8 \rightarrow C\\ 9\text{-}16 \rightarrow D\\ 17\text{-}32 \rightarrow E\end{array}$
GROUP A1	15	2 A's & 2 B's & 2 C's (or higher)	2 A's & 2 B's (or higher) in top 8	$1 \rightarrow A$ $2-4 \rightarrow B$ $5-6 \rightarrow C$ $7-8 \rightarrow D$
GROUP A2	25	2 A's & 2 B's & 2 C's (or higher)	2 A's & 2 B's (or higher) in top 8	$1 \rightarrow A$ $2-4 \rightarrow B$ $5-8 \rightarrow C$ $9-10 \rightarrow D$ $11-12 \rightarrow E$
GROUP A3	64	24 B's & 12 C's (or higher)	4 B's in top 8 & 4 C's (or higher) in top 12	$1-4 \rightarrow A$ $5-8 \rightarrow B$ $9-16 \rightarrow C$ $17-24 \rightarrow D$ $25-32 \rightarrow E$
GROUP A4	64	12 A's & 12 B's & 12 C's (or higher)	4 A's in top 8 & 4 B's (or higher) in top 12	$1-8 \rightarrow A$ $9-16 \rightarrow B$ $17-24 \rightarrow C$ $25-32 \rightarrow D$ $33-48 \rightarrow E$

Division I NAC and National Championships are always Group A4 competitions.

Division I-A National Championships are always at least Group A3 competitions.

Division II NAC and National Championships are always at least Group B3 competitions.

Division III NAC and National Championships are always at least Group C3 competitions.

Changes in classifications are allowed at USFA sanctioned individual competition restricted to Veterans and to Junior fencers. <u>Division, Section and Regional Youth and Cadet</u> competitions must meet or exceed criteria for C1 to award changes in classification. (BOD, July '02, July 03).