



FIVB MEN'S WORLD OLYMPIC QUALIFICATION PREVIEWS DAY 1 – JUNE 3, MEXICO CITY

Chile - Tunisia

Head-to-head

- Chile and Tunisia met once at a world level tournament. At the 1991 World Cup, Tunisia beat Chile in straight sets in the group stage.
- For Tunisia, that win was their last victory over a South American team at world level.
- Tunisia most recently lost against Venezuela (3-2) and Argentina (3-0) at the 2015 World Cup.
- Chile also lost their other match against an African side at the 1991 World Cup, 3-2 against Algeria.
- Chile won both of their world championships matches against African teams: 3-0 and 3-1 against Libya in 1982.

Chile

- Chile could become the fourth South American side to play in the Olympic Games, after Brazil, Venezuela and neighbours Argentina.
- Last year, Chile finished in third place in the South American Qualification tournament for the Rio 2016 Games after a thrilling five-setter against Colombia (34-36, 25-20, 25-18, 28-30, 15-10).
- Chile's last medal at the South American Championship came in 1993 (bronze).

Tunisia

- Tunisia are hoping to participate in their seventh Olympic Games after 1972, 1984, 1988, 1996, 2004 and 2012. Their best result is a ninth place at the Los Angeles 1984 Olympic Games.
- The only other African team with multiple appearances at the Olympic Games is Egypt (4, including 2016).
- The last time Tunisia participated in a World Olympic Qualification tournament was in 2000 in Piraeus, Greece. They finished in fourth and last place after losing all three of their meetings.
- Tunisia's last World Olympic Qualification match was a tight five-sets defeat against China.
- Tunisia have won a medal at the African Championship in each of their participations except for 2009 (fifth). They finished second in last year's competition after a 3-0 defeat against Egypt in the final.



Mexico - Algeria

Head-to-head

- Mexico and Algeria met once at a world level tournament. Algeria won in a five-setter at the 1991 World Cup.
- Mexico have won two of their last three meetings with African sides. They beat Tunisia 3-0 at the 2014 World League and Egypt 3-2 at the 2014 World Championship. Their defeat came against Tunisia at the 2014 World League (3-2).
- Algeria's last meeting with a NORCECA side was at the 2004 World Olympic Qualification tournament. They lost 3-0 against Canada.

Mexico

- Mexico are hoping to qualify for their second Olympic Games. Their first participation came 48 years ago when they were hosts to the competition.
- In Mexico City in 1968, they finished in 10th place after losing all of their nine matches.
- Mexico finished in fourth place at the 2015 NORCECA Championship after losing to Puerto Rico in the bronze medal match (3-0).

Algeria

- Algeria can become the third African team to qualify for multiple Olympic Games, after Tunisia (6) and Egypt (5, including 2016).
- Their only other participation at the Olympic Games was in Barcelona in 1992. They finished in 12th and last place.
- Algeria participated in the World Olympic qualification tournaments of 2004 and 2008 (both in Tokyo), but failed to qualify for the Olympic Games as they won only two of their 14 matches in total in these years.
- Algeria are two-time African champions (1991, 1993). They finished in fourth place in last year's competition.