

EUROPEAN MIXED TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

APPENDIX II



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REGULATIONS FOR THE EUROPEAN MIXED TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS**1. DEFINITION**

- 1.1 The European Mixed Team Championships consists of two stages – a qualification stage and a final stage. All Members of Badminton Europe shall be entitled to take part.
- 1.2 The qualification stage shall be played in even years and the final stage shall be played in uneven years.
- 1.3 The final stage shall always consist of 8 teams.
- 1.4 The first ranked team shall be entitled to call itself winner of the European Mixed Team Championships.
- 1.5 All nominated players of the winning team, being present, shall be presented with gold medals, all nominated players of the second ranked team, being present, shall be presented with silver medals and all nominated players of the teams losing the semi-finals, being present, shall be presented with bronze medals. All such medals shall be suitably inscribed.
- 1.6 Two nominated representatives for each of the four medal winning teams shall accompany his/her team at the medal ceremony and shall receive a token from Badminton Europe for his/her team's achievement.
- 1.7 The European Mixed Team Champions shall be awarded a trophy which they can keep in possession.

2. PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS

- 2.1 Any Member may apply to stage the final stage of the European Mixed Team Championships and such application shall be sent to Badminton Europe.
- 2.2 The allocation of the final stage shall be made by Badminton Europe's Board of Directors at a date of its choosing.
- 2.3 The allocation of the qualification stage will be offered in turn to the teams in the group according to their ranking positions.
- 2.4 The venue shall provide sufficient conditions according to the Specifications for International Play.

3. RIGHTS

- 3.1 Any and all intellectual property rights, and/or commercial rights, arising or created as a result of, or in connection with, any event or activity organized or sanctioned by Badminton Europe, including but not limited to any rights in websites, social media, television or radio recordings or broadcasts, audio or visual recordings, moving pictures, player' imagery and logos shall belong to Badminton Europe.
- 3.2 The words Europe, European, Euro or any derivation thereof is the property of Badminton Europe when used in connection with a badminton promotion, and shall be subject to the terms set out in the following paragraph.

- 3.3 Badminton Europe may grant licences and/or concessions in respect of its rights. Badminton Europe shall enter into an agreement with the promoting Member, or other promoting body, for the use of such rights on such terms and conditions as Badminton Europe shall determine in its absolute discretion.
- 3.4 The allocation of a European Championship shall only be final when both the Organiser and Badminton Europe have agreed and signed the contract for the event. The contract and the relevant events regulations shall alone specify the terms of organising the event.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES & FINANCE

- 4.1 The Board of Directors shall allocate responsibility for hosting the final stage on organisational, financial and commercial terms and conditions it agrees with the hosting Member.
- 4.2 A sanction fee shall be charged by Badminton Europe (see Financial Regulation D).
- 4.3 Every Member taking part in the European Mixed Team Championships shall be responsible for all expenses incurred by its players and officials including travel, hotel accommodation and other expenses.
- 4.4 An entry fee shall be paid for each team. Entry fees are listed in Financial Regulation D.
- 4.5 The Member organising the final stage is exempted from paying an entry fee for its participating team.
- 4.6 If a Member withdraws from the Championships after the entry deadline, but before the draw for the qualification stage, for any reason whatsoever, such a Member shall be liable of paying its entry fee and will be penalised by an administrative fine of 1.500,00 EUR.
- 4.7 If a Member withdraws from the Championships after the draw for the qualification stage is conducted, for any reason whatsoever, such a Member shall be liable of paying its entry fee and shall be penalised with a maximum fine of 5.000,00 EUR, following the procedure as defined per Badminton Europe Disciplinary and Dispute Resolution Regulations.
- 4.8 If a Member, qualified for the final stage, withdraws from the Championships, for any reason whatsoever, such a Member shall be liable of paying its entry fee and shall be penalised with a maximum fine of 20.000,00 EUR, following the procedure as defined per Badminton Europe Disciplinary and Dispute Resolution Regulations.
- 4.9 If a team arrives late or departs early, for any reason whatsoever, and such action conflicts with the team's ability to play or complete their scheduled matches, the team's Member shall be penalised by an administrative fine of 1.500,00 EUR.
- 4.10 If a medal winning team is not present at the medal ceremony, for any reason whatsoever, the team's Member shall be penalised by an administrative fine of 1.500,00 EUR.

5. GENERAL ORGANISATION

- 5.1 Badminton Europe shall be responsible for the organisation of the European Mixed Team Championships.
- 5.2 The Championships shall be conducted in accordance with the Laws of badminton and all appropriate Competition Regulations as adopted by the BWF and/or Badminton Europe.

- 5.3 The Referees for the final stage and the qualification stage and Deputy Referee(s) for the final stage shall be appointed by Badminton Europe.
- 5.3.1 A Member hosting a qualification group shall provide accommodation and full boarding for the appointed Referee. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 500,00 EUR.
- 5.4 Umpires for the group stage and for the final stage shall be appointed by Badminton Europe.
- 5.4.1 A Member hosting a qualification group shall provide accommodation and full boarding for the appointed umpires (max. 4). Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 500,00 EUR for each umpire.
- 5.5 Each Member hosting a qualification group must provide one international qualified umpire to the event, in addition to the umpires appointed under 5.4.
- 5.5.1 A Member hosting a qualification group not being able to fulfil the requirements listed in 5.5 shall be penalised with an administrative fine of 500,00 EUR. In this case, Badminton Europe will appoint an umpire.
- 5.6 Badminton Europe shall appoint a Committee of Management of at least four persons, of whom two shall be from Badminton Europe, and one shall be nominated by the organiser. In addition, the Referee shall be member of this Committee. The Committee of Management shall be in overall charge of the Championships.

6. FILING OF ENTRIES

- 6.1 Not later than four months before the date of the qualification stage, Badminton Europe shall send to all Members an invitation to compete.
- 6.2 Entries may be submitted only by Members and shall be sent so as to reach the address quoted in the letter of invitation not later than the closing date notified in the invitation.
- 6.3 The Board of Directors shall have power to reject the entry of any Member:
- 6.3.1 which contains a condition unresolved at the time entries close;
- 6.3.2 whose entry is considered against the interest of the Championships or the game; or
- 6.3.3 in cases specified in Badminton Europe Rules (e.g. Rule 32.3).
- 6.4 Not later than 14 days after the closing date for entries, Badminton Europe shall announce a complete ranking list of the teams entered and announce the directly qualified teams for the final stage of the European Mixed Team Championships in accordance with Table 1.

Entries	Directly in Finals	Teams in Qualification	No. of Qual-groups	Composition of groups
8	6 + Host + Holder	-	-	-
9	5 + Host + Holder	2	1	1x2 teams
10	5 + Host + Holder	3	1	1x3 teams
11	5 + Host + Holder	4	1	1x4 teams
12	4 + Host + Holder	6	2	2x3 teams
13	4 + Host + Holder	7	2	1x3 teams, 1x4 teams
14	4 + Host + Holder	8	2	2x4 teams
15	3 + Host + Holder	10	3	2x3 teams, 1x4 teams
16	3 + Host + Holder	11	3	1x3 teams, 2x4 teams
17	3 + Host + Holder	12	3	3x4 teams
18	2 + Host + Holder	14	4	2x3 teams, 2x4 teams
19	2 + Host + Holder	15	4	1x3 teams, 3x4 teams

20	2 + Host + Holder	16	4	4x4 teams
21	1 + Host + Holder	18	5	2x3 teams, 3x4 teams
22	Host + Holder	20	6	4x3 teams, 2x4 teams
23	1 + Host + Holder	20	5	4x5 teams
24	Host + Holder	22	6	2x3 teams, 4x4 teams
25	1 + Host + Holder	22	5	4x4 teams, 1x6 teams*
26	Host + Holder	24	6	6x4 teams
27	1 + Host + Holder	24	5	3x4 teams, 2x6 teams*
28	Host + Holder	26	6	5x4 teams, 1x6 teams*
29	1 + Host + Holder	26	5	2x4 teams, 3x6 teams*
30	Host + Holder	28	6	4x4 teams, 2x6 teams*
31	1 + Host + Holder	28	5	1x4 teams, 4x6 teams*
32	Host + Holder	30	6	3x4 teams, 3x6 teams*
33	1 + Host + Holder	30	5	5x6 teams*
34	Host + Holder	32	6	2x4 teams, 4x6 teams*
35	1 + Host + Holder	32	5	4x6 teams*, 1x8 teams**
36	Host + Holder	34	6	1x4 teams, 5x6 teams*
37	1 + Host + Holder	34	5	3x6 teams*, 2x8 teams**
38	Host + Holder	36	6	6x6 teams*

Table 1

- 6.5 For each team a sum of World Ranking points will be calculated, only taking into account players eligible for international representation of the country, as shown in Table 2.

Player	Calculation	Note
First ranked men's singles player	WR points	WR: World Ranking
First ranked women's singles player	WR points	
First ranked men's doubles player	WR/NR points divided by two	NR: Notional Ranking
Second ranked men's doubles player	WR/NR points divided by two	
First ranked women's doubles player	WR/NR points divided by two	
Second ranked women's doubles player	WR/NR points divided by two	
First ranked mixed doubles male player	WR/NR points divided by two	
First ranked mixed doubles female player	WR/NR points divided by two	

Table 2

- 6.6 For the doubles players notional ranking will be used.

7. METHOD OF COMPETITION – QUALIFICATION STAGE

- 7.1 The qualification stage of the European Mixed Team Championships shall be in a group stage in accordance with the regulations 7.2 to 7.11.

7.2 Group stage

- 7.3 The highest ranked teams shall be seeded in order and two seeded teams will be placed/drawn into each group. The seeding will be done in two layers.

- 7.3.1 The number of teams seeded in a first layer will be equivalent to the number of qualification groups in accordance with Table 1. These teams will be placed in order in position 1 in each group, or in case of a group consisting of two subgroups (in accordance with regulation 7.7) in position 1 of Subgroup 1, and given first option to host the particular Qualification Group.

- 7.3.1.1 The highest ranked team not directly qualified for the final stage will be put in Qualification Group 1 and is given first option to host this Qualification Group.

- 7.3.1.2 If applicable the second highest ranked team not directly qualified for the final stage will be put in Qualification Group 2 and is given first option to host this Qualification Group.

- 7.3.1.3 If applicable the third highest ranked team not directly qualified for the final stage will be put in Qualification Group 3 and is given first option to host this Qualification Group.
- 7.3.1.4 If applicable the fourth highest ranked team not directly qualified for the final stage will be put in Qualification Group 4 and is given first option to host this Qualification Group.
- 7.3.1.5 If applicable the fifth highest ranked team not directly qualified for the final stage will be put in Qualification Group 5 and is given first option to host this Qualification Group.
- 7.3.1.6 If applicable the sixth highest ranked team not directly qualified for the final stage will be put in Qualification Group 6 and is given first option to host this Qualification Group.
- 7.3.2 The number of teams seeded in a second layer will be equivalent to the number of qualification groups in accordance with Table 1. These teams will be drawn randomly into position 2 in each group, or in case of a group consisting of two subgroups (in accordance with regulation 7.7) in position 1 of Subgroup 2.
- 7.4 The remaining teams are drawn into the established groups in random order.
- 7.5 Hosting a Qualification Group;
 - 7.5.1 If the highest ranked team declines the offer of hosting its Qualification Group, the offer goes to the second highest ranked team in the group.
 - 7.5.2 If the second highest ranked team declines the offer of hosting its Qualification Group, the offer goes to the third highest ranked team in the group.
 - 7.5.3 If the third highest ranked team declines the offer of hosting its Qualification Group, the offer goes to the fourth highest ranked team in the group.
 - 7.5.4 If the fourth highest ranked team declines the offer of hosting its Qualification Group, the offer goes to the fifth highest ranked team in the group.
 - 7.5.5 If the fifth highest ranked team declines the offer of hosting its Qualification Group, the offer goes to the sixth highest ranked team in the group.
 - 7.5.6 If the sixth highest ranked team declines the offer of hosting its Qualification Group, the offer goes to the seventh highest ranked team in the group.
 - 7.5.7 If the seventh highest ranked team declines the offer of hosting its Qualification Group, the offer goes to the eighth highest ranked team in the group.
 - 7.5.8 If the lowest ranked team declines the offer of hosting its Qualification Group, the highest ranked team in the group must host the Qualification Group.
- 7.6 In a Qualification Group containing 3 or 4 teams, each team play all other teams in the same group. An overall ranking order in the group shall be achieved.
- 7.7 In a Qualification Group containing 6 (*) or 8 (**) teams are drawn into two subgroups, where each team play all other teams in the same subgroup. The winners of the two subgroups will play each other in a final to find the overall winner of the Qualification Group.

- 7.8 Ranking order in the groups;
- 7.8.1 If two teams have won the same number of ties, the ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.
 - 7.8.2 If three or more teams have won the same number of ties, ranking will be decided by the total number of matches won. If this leaves two teams equal, ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.
 - 7.8.3 If three or more teams have won the same number of ties and the same number of matches, ranking will be decided by the difference between total games won and total games lost, with greater difference ranked higher. If this leaves two teams equal, ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.
 - 7.8.4 If three or more teams have won the same number of ties and the same number of matches and have the same difference between total games won and total games lost, ranking will be decided by the difference between total points won and total points lost, with greater difference ranked higher. If this leaves two teams equal, ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.
 - 7.8.5 If three or more teams have won the same number of ties and the same number of matches, have the same difference between total games won and total games lost, and have the same difference between total points won and total points lost, ranking will be decided by drawing lots.
- 7.9 A conceded match shall count as if completed without the conceding side scoring another point.
- 7.10 All results of any team that has been disqualified or withdraws shall be entirely deleted.
- 7.11 The winner of each of the Qualification Groups shall qualify for the final stage.
- 7.11.1 If the winner of a Qualification Group withdraws for the final stage, the runner-up of that Qualification Group shall be invited for the final stage.
 - 7.11.2 If a Qualification Group cannot be played due to force majeure or any other reason accepted by the Chair of the Badminton Europe Events Committee, the highest ranked team in that Qualification Group as per the ranking list described in 6.4 shall qualify for the final stage.
 - 7.11.3 In case the runner-up of the Qualification Group as per 7.11.1 declines the invitation for the final stage, or in case no Qualification Group was played and the highest ranked team in that Qualification Group as per 7.11.2 withdraws, the overall highest ranked team as per the ranking list described in 6.4 that has not qualified and has not declined their invitation, shall qualify for the final stage.

8. SEEDING – FINAL STAGE

- 8.1 The four highest ranked teams qualifying for the final stage shall be seeded in order and two seeded teams will be placed/drawn in each of the two groups. The seeding is done in two layers.
- 8.1.1 The two highest ranked teams qualifying for the final stage will be placed in order in position 1 in each group.

- 8.1.2 The third and fourth ranked teams qualifying for the final stage will be drawn randomly into position 2 in each group.
- 8.2 The seeding will be done based on the ranking list described in 6.4.
- 8.3 The four remaining teams will be drawn into the two groups on random basis.

9. METHOD OF COMPETITION – FINAL STAGE

- 9.1 The final stage of the European Mixed Team Championship shall be played in a group stage and a knock-out stage in accordance with the regulations 9.3 to 9.11.

9.2 Group stage

- 9.3 In the group stage the 8 teams shall play in groups of four, where teams play all other teams in the same group. An overall ranking order in the group shall be achieved.

- 9.4 The two highest ranked teams in a group as per regulation 8.1 shall play against each other in the first round of group matches.

- 9.5 The top 2 ranked teams of each group shall progress to the knock-out stage.

- 9.6 Ranking order in the groups;

9.6.1 If two teams have won the same number of ties, the ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.

9.6.2 If three or more teams have won the same number of ties, ranking will be decided by the total number of matches won. If this leaves two teams equal, ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.

9.6.3 If three or more teams have won the same number of ties and the same number of matches, ranking will be decided by the difference between total games won and total games lost, with greater difference ranked higher. If this leaves two teams equal, ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.

9.6.4 If three or more teams have won the same number of ties and the same number of matches and have the same difference between total games won and total games lost, ranking will be decided by the difference between total points won and total points lost, with greater difference ranked higher. If this leaves two teams equal, ranking will be decided by the result of the tie between them.

- 9.7 If three or more teams have won the same number of ties and the same number of matches, have the same difference between total games won and total games lost, and have the same difference between total points won and total points lost, ranking will be decided by drawing lots.

- 9.8 A conceded match shall count as if completed without the conceding side scoring another point.

- 9.9 All results of any team that has been disqualified or withdraws shall be entirely deleted.

9.10 Knock-out stage

- 9.10.1 The draw for the knock-out stage shall be conducted at a Team Managers' Meeting held immediately after the conclusion of the group stage.
- 9.10.2 The knock-out stage shall be a knock-out draw with winning teams progressing to the next round until a winner is found.

9.11 Knock-out stage draw procedure

- 9.11.1 The winner of group 1 will be placed as first seed in the knock-out draw.
- 9.11.2 The winner of group 2 will be placed as second seed in the knock-out draw.
- 9.11.3 The two teams finishing second in the groups will be drawn into the knock-out draw on random basis.

10. RESPONSIBILITY OF REFEREE

- 10.1 The responsibilities of the Referee in the Championships are:
 - 10.1.1 to be in charge of the Championships;
 - 10.1.2 to ensure that the stipulated procedure and order of play is adhered to and that all teams and players comply with the Regulations for play;
 - 10.1.3 to make decision on any matter upon appeal being made by a Team Manager;
 - 10.1.4 to uphold the laws of badminton and regulations relevant for the Championships.
- 10.2 The Referee is required to send a written report to Badminton Europe no later than two weeks after the completion of the event.

11. ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS

- 11.1 Players shall be eligible to represent a Member in accordance with BWF General Competition Regulation § 6.

12. TEAM MANAGER

- 12.1 Each Member concerned shall, at least 14 days before any fixture, appoint a manager of its team.
- 12.2 In default of such appointment, a team shall forthwith choose its own manager.
- 12.3 As soon as appointed, the name of the manager shall be notified to Badminton Europe.
- 12.4 From the time of arrival at the venue, the manager shall assume all administrative and other responsibilities on behalf of the Member and team concerned in connection with the conduct of the Championships.
- 12.5 The Team Manager shall attend any briefing meeting called by the Referee. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 250,00 EUR.

13. NOMINATION OF TEAMS

- 13.1 Each competing Member shall, at least 2 days before the date fixed for the commencement of play for both the qualification stage and the final stage, nominate to Badminton Europe the players from whom its team will be selected.

Members must guarantee that all teams and all players entered satisfy the conditions set in these Regulations. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 1.000,00 EUR for every player or team that does not satisfy the conditions set in these Regulations.

- 13.2 Each competing Member shall nominate not fewer than four players and not more than twenty players, from whom its team will be selected for a tie. There shall be a minimum of two male and two female players and a maximum of ten male and ten female players amongst the nominated players.

- 13.3 Teams shall be required to play ties comprising:

one men's singles;
one women's singles;
one men's doubles;
one women's doubles;
one mixed doubles.

- 13.4 Each manager shall submit to the Referee the composition of his team for each tie, where the players are from those previously nominated.

13.4.1 Team compositions must be submitted no later than three hours prior to the start of a tie, or for the first ties of the day at 22.00hrs the evening before.

13.4.2 Failure to submit a team composition in accordance with 13.4.1 shall result in an administrative fine of 250,00 EUR.

- 13.5 The Referee may, upon the request of a Team Manager, allow a substitute or substitutes for a player who, in the opinion of the Referee, is incapacitated by illness, accident or other unavoidable hindrance, provided that the substitute player/pair is lower ranked than the player/pair being replaced.

13.5.1 The ranking of the players/pairs shall be based on the most recent published BWF World Ranking immediately preceding the date of the competition. For ranking in doubles, notional points/ranking shall be taken into consideration.

13.5.2 The ranking of players/pairs not having a ranking or a notional ranking in the BWF World Ranking shall be at the discretion of the Committee of Management.

13.5.3 No substitution shall be made after a tie has begun.

14. CONSTITUTION OF MATCHES AND TEAMS

- 14.1 Each tie shall be decided by the results of the two singles and three doubles matches.

14.1.1 In the group stage all five matches of each tie shall be played.

14.1.2 In the knock-out stage each tie shall be stopped when the tie is decided.

- 14.2 No player shall play in more than two matches.

- 14.3 If, as a result of injury or illness sustained after arrival at the venue, a team has only one male or one female player, that player may play his/her respective matches.
- 14.4 If, for the above reasons, the team is reduced to two players only, either both of the same gender, or one of each gender, the whole tie shall be conceded.

15. ORDER OF PLAY

- 15.1 There are four permissible orders of play:
- 15.1.1 Men's singles – Women's singles – Men's doubles – Women's doubles – Mixed doubles
 - 15.1.2 Women's singles - Men's singles - Women's doubles - Men's doubles - Mixed doubles
 - 15.1.3 Mixed doubles - Men's singles – Women's singles – Men's doubles – Women's doubles
 - 15.1.4 Mixed doubles - Women's singles - Men's singles - Women's doubles - Men's doubles
- 15.2 Orders of play 15.1.1 to 15.1.4 will be considered in turn and the first order of play will be used which has no player playing in two consecutive matches.
- 15.3 If all four orders of play, 15.1.1 to 15.1.4 result in a player playing in two consecutive matches the order of play 15.1.1 will be used.

16. PENALTIES

- 16.1 The Referee shall have power to disqualify at any stage of the Championships:
- 16.1.1 any team which has seriously failed to comply with the regulations set in this Appendix, the Badminton Europe Rules or other Badminton Europe Regulations or the BWF Regulations and has by doing so harmed or endangered the fairness of the competition (breach of a regulation which anticipates an administrative fine is not considered as a serious failure to comply with the regulations); or
 - 16.1.2 a player, or a team that includes a player, breaching the Anti-Doping Regulations.
- 16.2 If a player or a team is disqualified, such a player or a team may also be penalised by a fine, suspension and forfeiture of rewards.
- 16.3 Any Covered Person as defined in BWF Judicial Procedures failing to comply with the regulations set in this Appendix may be penalised following Badminton Europe Disciplinary and Dispute Resolution Regulations.
- 16.4 The possible penalties shall be:
- 16.4.1 administrative fines, imposed by the Chair of the Badminton Europe Events Committee,
 - 16.4.2 any penalty as defined by BWF Judicial Procedures.

17. CLOTHING REGULATIONS

- 17.1 Members need to ensure that their players' clothing complies with the existing BWF Regulations and § 17 and § 18 in these regulations. Any breach of BWF Regulations will be forwarded to BWF.
- 17.2 Colour of players' clothing;
- 17.2.1 In team matches players must wear team colours. That is each player must wear the same colour and design of shirts and shorts (or other equivalent articles of clothing) throughout a tie. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 500,00 EUR for each tie.
- 17.2.2 It is mandatory that the opposing teams in each tie wear different colours from each other. The team ranked lower on the overall ranking list in 6.4 will be required to wear clothing of a significant different colour. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 200,00 EUR for each tie.
- 17.3 Player names;
- 17.3.1 The name of the player on the back of the shirt is optional.
- 17.4 Member names;
- 17.4.1 The name of the player's country on the back of the shirt is mandatory. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 100,00 EUR for each breach.

18. ADVERTISING ON PLAYERS' CLOTHING

- 18.1 Advertising on players' clothing must comply with the existing BWF Regulations.

19. MISCELLANEOUS

- 19.1 The Badminton Europe Board of Directors interprets any dubious regulations included in this document. If a quick decision is needed, the Chair of the Badminton Europe Events Committee may make an interpretation which is valid until the decision by the Badminton Europe Board of Directors is taken.
- 19.2 The Board of Directors has power on behalf of Badminton Europe to make and publish amendments to these Regulations. These Regulations and any future amendments take effect on the day following the day of the adoption.

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