

C/24 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP INDIVIDUAL 3-CUSHION U25

Art. 1. PARTICIPANTS

24 inscribed sportsmen

Art. 2. INSCRIPTION AND PARTICIPATION OF THE SPORTSMEN

Each federation can register up to 5 athletes (only for this first edition).

Registrations of athletes will be taken into considerations as follows:

- 1. Athletes registered as first by each federation.
- 2. The athlete registered as second by the organizer federation.
- 3. Other athletes registered as seconds by each other federation according nations ranking of latest EC 3C U21. This rule applies only for this first edition of this Championships. From next editions the reference ranking will be the nations rankings of previous edition of this Championship.
- 4. If the number of 24 participants is not reached, athletes registered as third / then fourth / then fifth / by federations will be taken into consideration, according the same criteria of point 3.
- 5. Eventually vacant places can then be completed by players from organizing federation.

Art. 3. GAMES OF THE GROUPS - DISTANCE OF THE GAME 30 POINTS - 50 INNINGS

The classification of the 24 inscribed sportsmen will be made according their general averages.

The 8 groups of 3 sportsmen will then be formed according the system Z. The game will be played with equal innings. A draw is possible. The first two of each group will qualify for the final round. The classification of the eliminated sportsmen will be done according the criteria listed in the "Basic Concepts of the Sport." Classification in groups will be established according the following criteria: 1. Game points 2. General average 3. Best game average 4. Highest series 5. The direct comparison of the sportsmen who are then still equal 6. Decision by drawing lots.

Art. 4. FINAL ROUND - DISTANCE OF THE GAME 40 POINTS - NO EQUAL INNING

The games in final rounds will be played in KO format without equal innings.

Last 16: Game distance: 40 points.

The 8 groups winners and 8 groups seconds are qualified to the Final Round; the 8 groups winners will be placed 1 to 8, and the 8 groups seconds 9 to 16.

The classification of the eliminated sportsmen will be done according the criteria listed in the "Basic Concepts of the Sport." The ranking list of the 16 finalists for 1/8 round matches will be established as follows: 1. Placing in the group 2. Game points 3. General average 4. Best game average 5. Highest series 6. Drawing lot.

If groups have unequal participating numbers, the general average played in the qualification round will be taken as first criteria.

Art. 5. TOURNAMENT SYSTEM / ENCOUNTERS

The final KO round will be played according the joined scheme.

1/8 Final - Quarter Final - Semi Final - Final (there is no match for 3rd and 4th place).

Final

1/8 Final ¼ Final ½ Final 1 - 16 8 - 9 5 - 12 4 - 13 3 - 14 6 - 11 7 - 10 2 - 15

Art. 6. TIME REGULATION SYSTEMS

Limit of 30 seconds (by preference in a count-down order) with a visual warning system at 20 seconds (if not available the referee will give a warning at the 20 second limit). - Clock starts after all balls stop and table is free for playing.

3 Time-Outs for 30 points matches, and 4 time-outs for 40 points matches for each player. Any remaining time-outs will automatically be applied (the player does not need to request a time out); the new total limit is then brought to 60 seconds.

A time-out must be announced by the referee immediately after the point, and indicated clearly to players and spectators.

In case that all time-outs are used, Penalization-Signal (by preference sonic) after the 30 second limit and consequently the balls will be put up in starting position for the opponent.

Ongoing time will not be stopped with the use of a device (cue-extension, bridge, etc) or changing glove(s).

The clock must be displayed in a clearly visible manner in the sports arena for the players and the spectators.

One break of four minutes per match is applied. The break is applied after 15 points for matches of 30 points and after 20 points for matches of 40 points - reached by either player. In all matches with limitation of innings and on the condition that none of the players has reached 15 points within the end of the 25th inning, the break will be applied at the end of the 25th inning.