

C – TOURNAMENT SYSTEMS



C/25 COUPE D'EUROPE 5-PINS FOR NATIONAL TEAMS

PREAMBLE

The tournament will last from Thursday to Sunday.
4 billiard tables are required.

Art. 1. PARTICIPANTS

16 registered teams.

Art. 2. INSCRIPTION AND PARTICIPATION OF THE TEAMS

Registrations by National Federation through CEB website.

Inscriptions will be considered according to the following priorities:

1. Team of the Title Holder federation
2. Team Representative of the organizer, if the organizer is not CEB.
3. Teams registered as first by each federation
4. B-Team from federation of the title holder
5. B-Team from organizing federation, if the organizer is not CEB
6. B-Team from other federations following the last CEB European Ranking National Teams.
7. C-Team from federations following the priorities of points 5. And 6.
8. Teams from the Organizer if needed to complete the list of 16 teams

Art. 3. GENERAL RULES OF THE GAME

Each team consists of 4 sportsmen plus an unlimited number of reserves. It's strongly recommended to register at least one reserve and to come to the competition with one reserve.

The reserves can be used in every match, with no limits in terms of numbers. The substitution must be done and communicated to the referee or the tournament director before the start of the match.

The team coach will provide in writing, prior to each match, the composition of his team to the tournament director as follows, including the reserves that can, in case, be used:

- Sportsman I1 - match individual
- Sportsman I2 - match individual
- Sportsmen D1+D2 - match double
- Sportsmen R1+R2+R3+R4 - match relay

Art. 4. PLAYING SYSTEM IN THE GROUPS

- One match „Individual“ (Sportsman I1) on 100 Points – Winner 1 set point
- One match „Individual“ (Sportsman I2) on 100 Points – Winner 1 set point
- One match „Double“ (Sportsmen D1+D2) on 100 Points – Winner 1 set point
- One match „Relay“ (Sportsmen R1+R2+R3+R4) on 160 Points – Winner 2 set points
(each sportsman 40 points)

All 4 matches must be played.

In case of no mutual agreement between athletes, flip coin will determine who will start testing the table before the match, both in singles, then in doubles, then in the relay.

Relay must be played in the same table where double has been played and the athletes who play the relay that have not played in the double have 5 minutes each to test the table.

Art. 5. GAMES OF THE GROUPS

The 16 teams are positioned in 4 groups of 4 teams each. The constitution of the groups will be as follows:

1. First the teams classified from 1 to 4 in the European Ranking National Teams are positioned as follow:

- Team 1 in group A
 - Team 2 in group B
 - Team 3 in group C
 - Team 4 in group D
2. The remaining 12 teams will be placed in the groups by drawing remembering that teams of the same nationality cannot be in the same group, unless rule 2.3.5 needs to be applied. In this case, if two teams of the same nation are in the same group, they will play in the first match.
 3. If a team withdraws after the composition of the groups, the new team will take over the place of the team which has withdrawn.
 4. The first 2 classified teams of each group are qualified for the final round (8 teams total).

Art. 6. PROCEDURE TO ASSIGN THE POINTS

		Team A		Team B
Team A vs. Team B	5 – 0	3	Match Points	0
		5	Set Points	0
Team A vs. Team B	4 – 1	3	Match Points	0
		4	Set Points	1
Team A vs. Team B	3 – 2	3	Match Points	0
		3	Set Points	2
Team A vs. Team B	2 – 3	0	Match Points	3
		2	Set Points	3
Team A vs. Team B	1 – 4	0	Match Points	3
		1	Set Points	4
Team A vs. Team B	0 – 5	0	Match Points	3
		0	Set Points	5

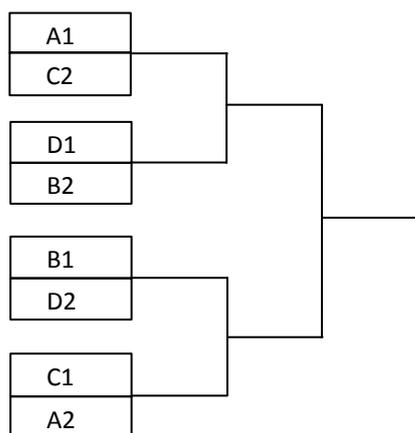
Art. 7. PROCEDURE TO CLASSIFY THE TEAMS

1. Match points gained by the teams.
2. If 2 teams in a group have the same number of match points their respective positions will be defined by the result of their direct match.
3. If 3 teams in a group won 1 match each, set points will be considered as follows:
 - a) If each team has a different number of set points, this will be used to rank them.
 - b) If 2 teams have the same number of set points, their respective position will be defined by the result of their direct match.
 - c) If 3 teams have the same number of set points, the average is considered. The team with the lowest average will be third and the result of the direct match between the remaining two will define the first and second position in the group.
 - c1) If 2 teams have the same average, their respective position will be defined by the result of their direct match.
 - c2) If all 3 teams have the same average, penalties will be made as follows:

The 4 relay athletes will take a penalty shot each (white ball free and yellow ball in the starting position without red ball). The team that obtains the most valid points will be the winner. In case after 4 penalty shots the sum of the total points is the same, the penalty shots will be played over and over (one at a time) until one team prevails over the other.

Art. 8. FINAL ROUND (8 TEAMS)

Will be played by the first TWO teams of each group according to the KO system in the following matches:



where A1 is the team 1st classified of group A; D2 is the 2nd classified of group D; etc.

There will be 2 third places.

Art. 9. PLAYING SYSTEM OF THE FINAL ROUND

- One match „Individual“ (Sportsman I1) on 120 Points – Winner 1 set point
- One match „Individual“ (Sportsman I2) on 120 Points – Winner 1 set point
- One match „Double“ (Sportsmen D1+D2) on 120 Points – Winner 1 set point
- One match „Relay“ (Sportsmen R2+R2+R3+R4) on 200 Points – Winner 2 set points
(each sportsman 50 points)

If after 3 matches, the result is 3 - 0, the Relay will not be played.

If the result is 2 – 1, the Relay must be played to determine a winner.

Art. 10. PRIZE MONEY

Will not be compensated.

Art. 11. TRAVEL EXPENSES & DAILY REIMBURSEMENTS

Will not be compensated.

Art. 12. OTHER REGULATIONS

Regulations which are not specifically defined in these rules will come into force following the other rules and statutes of the CEB. In case of doubt the committee or the delegate of the CEB is deciding.

Art. 13. COMING INTO FORCE

These rules will come into force at the beginning of the sporting season 2022-2023. It annuls all previous and contrary regulations.

APPENDIX 1

Rules for the match „Double“

1. The sportsmen can free determine who begins.
2. During the match the change of the athlete in the game takes place in the following cases:
 - a) The opponent realizes valid points.
 - b) The athlete in the game loses points (two or more points of pins and / or red ball).
 - c) The athlete in the game gives "free ball" (foul 2 points).
3. The change of athlete who has made the foul does not imply a change in the opposing pair.
4. The sportsman, who by the starting stroke does not have the possibility to make valid points, will not be replaced even if the opponent realizes valid points in the first shot.
5. The sportsmen of a pair can take advice to the realizing shot, but it is strictly forbidden that the sportsman who does not play, with or without instrument (billiard cue etc.), to take in the position of his partner to help him to find the position for realizing the shot. The advice to the partner must be limited to a real theoretical advice.
6. As soon as the sportsman who shall make the shot is in position, the partner can no longer intervene.
7. If an offence against the points 4 and 5 of the present article is recorded, the referee exhorts the sportsman and, at repetition, can he ask the tournament manager who can decide to disqualify the couple by dishonesty.
8. The confusion of the ball, or of the sportsman, is considered as a mistake of 2 points to which the points that are eventually obtained by the nation which is at the table and a "free ball" for the adversary.
9. The athletes cannot ask the referee which one of them has to play the next shot.

APPENDIX 2

MANDATORY timetable to be used from quarterfinals onwards, will be as follows, to have always all teams playing at the same time, first the singles, then the doubles, then the relay (if has to be played), as shown in the diagram below:

QF 1 – Single 1	QF 2 – Single 1	QF 3 – Single 1	QF 4 – Single 1
QF 1 – Single 2	QF 2 – Single 2	QF 3 – Single 2	QF 4 – Single 2
QF 1 – Double	QF 2 – Double	QF 3 – Double	QF 4 – Double
QF 1 – Relay	QF 2 – Relay	QF 3 – Relay	QF 4 – Relay

In the group games is strictly recommended to play on 4 tables 4 different matches, so this rule has to apply always where possible, and exceptions can be done from Tournament Director after the ok of the CEB delegate.

Please note that even if quarterfinals and semifinals must be played at the same time, broadcasting needs where provided from CEB or Organizer may change this schedule.