



3.12. ESY - European Sport YMCA of the European Alliance of YMCAs

General regulations for European YMCA Championships

1. The YMCA European Sport YMCA (ESY) is the responsible body for all European YMCA championships. It shall charge a National Movement with the organization of the championship.
2. The European Championships are open to all National Movements associated to the European Alliance of YMCAs (EAY).
3. Only if a minimum of three teams/individuals of at least three different national movements participate in a category. That category can be regarded as European YMCA Championship.
4. The European Championships shall be organized in conformity with the rules of the international sport federations. Possible modifications shall be included in the regulations for the respective special championships. They shall be made known to the participating movements in connection with the invitation no later than five months before the event.
5. The European Championships shall be organized in form of a tournament over a period of not more than three days and each team or each player shall have at least one match every day.
6. The hosting National Movement shall appoint an organizing committee (OC) at least 10 months before the event. The OC shall report to the ESY.

The OC shall be in charge of the preparation and organization of the championship, including accommodation, feeding, transport and other programmes, according to the "Suggestions for the Programme Formation at international YMCA Sport events".

7. Timing
 - a) The ESY shall in connection with the hosting movement plan the championships two years ahead.
 - b) The ESY shall make known the date and place of the championships to the National Movements and the ESY members one year before the event.

- c) 9 months before the event the OC shall give the National Movements further information stating the groups in which the championship is arranged (men, women and juniors, male and female), and ask for preliminary applications to the OC.
- d) 6 months before the event the sending National Movement shall give preliminary application to the OC.
- e) 5 months before the event the OC shall give information to the National Movement and to ESY about accommodation facilities, venue and costs.
- f) 3 months before the event the sending National Movement shall give official application to the OC stating the number of teams and approximate number of players.
- g) 2 months before the event the OC shall inform the National Movements and the ESY of the groups. Which have got sufficient participation for arrangement European YMCA championship and whether the OC will make other arrangements for the groups, which have not obtained sufficient participation.
- h) 1 month before the event sending National Movements must send detailed information to the OC about the teams, names of the players and officials participating.

8. Finances

- a) The hosting National Movement shall assume financial responsibility for the event according to the "procedures for EAY programme events" of October 1992.
- b) The hosting National Movement shall fix the entry fee and other costs to be paid by the participating teams and representatives. Efforts to keep the costs down shall be made.
- c) The hosting movement shall include in the budget a per capita fee to be paid to the ESY Secretary for the running costs of the ESY office.

9. Program

- a) European YMCA Championships shall provide fellowship in a Christian and Sporting atmosphere.
- b) The programme shall include a social evening and hours of worship. It is left to the OC to organize other possibilities and to provide other facilities to serve the purpose mentioned before. Hints are given in the "Suggestions for programme formation at international YMCA Sport events".

10. Report

a) After a championship the OC shall give a first report to the secretary of the ESY within one week after the event.

b) The secretary shall publicize the result to all National Movements of the EAY and ESY members within 3 months after the event.

11. Participants

Participating teams are regarded as national teams. All applications shall be endorsed by the National Movement.

12. Arbitration committee

a) An arbitration committee consisting of three persons shall be set up by the OC.

b) Protests shall be remitted immediately after the game to this committee, which immediately makes a decision. The decision has to be given to notice to the, concerned parties before their next game. Before reaching a decision all concerned parties should be heard.

c) Appeals can be sent to the ESY, acting as the committee of appeal, within two weeks after the championship.

13. Amendments of the regulations can be made only by a majority decision of a ESY meeting.

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