

# **European Fencing Confederation**

## **Rules of**

### **EFC Cadets Circuit competitions**



**Version 2017**

**Elaborated by EFC Sport Director Regional**

Principally FIE Technical and Organisational rules for competitions are to be respected. However, some derogation from these rules was adopted for the purpose of EFC Cadets Circuit competitions.

- 1) **Formula of competitions: the principle of flexibility applies as follows: 3 possible formulas of competitions are to be chosen by the organisers.**
  - a) **Two rounds with pools followed by direct elimination table with “repechage” from T-32**
  - b) **One round with pools followed by direct elimination table with “repechage” from T-32**
  - c) **FIE JWC formula, i.e. one round with pools followed by direct elimination table without repechage**
  - d) **For the formula under a) it is valid that the ranking for direct elimination table will be created counting results of both rounds together. Also fencers qualified from second round should be calculated adding results of both rounds.**
  - e) **From the round preceding DE table at least 20% and maximum 25% of participants should be eliminated.**

**In this context the organisers in a moment when the allocation of competitions of EFC Circuit will be agreed by EFC Executive Committee, have to present not later than 3 months before date of concerned tournament Invitation including type of formula chosen for their competition. Then the federations will have the opportunity to decide, which kind of competition they will include in their national calendar.**

Besides rules cited above, EFC Comex at its meeting in Tbilisi on June 2017 adopted following complementary rules:

- g) **First round in pools must run in maximum of two flights**
- h) **If the number of participants is exceeding 100, only one individual competition per day can be organised, possibly seconded by one team event. An exception can be awarded by EFC Sport Director upon demand of organiser who will give a guarantee of good running of competitions based on presented relevant technical conditions (number of pistes in context of expected number of participants), as well as availability of sufficient number of referees for given number of pistes**
- i) **The organisers must mandatory send short report and photos from tournament within 2 days after competitions**
- j) **On line live results from competitions are mandatory to be ensured by organisers**

**2) Points to be accorded:**

- FIE formula scale of points will be applied in general
- **Five (5) best results + European Cadets Championships will be counted into Ranking**
- Respecting formula with repechage the differentiation will be applied awarding for places from 9 to 12 – 11 points (instead of 8 points), from 17 to 24 – 6 points (instead of 4 points).
- 1 point for places from 65 to 128 will be awarded if the fencers were qualified from previous round.

Remark: no points can be attributed for fencers eliminated in the first round.

Following multiplication coefficients for points in ranking awarding will be applied according to the participation:

Scale of multipliers	Countries up to 7	Countries 8-12	Countries 13 -
Participants 1-50	1	1,5	2
Participants 51-100	1,5	2	2,5
Participants 101-	2	2,5	3

### 3) Quota of participation:

- from the organising country maximum 64 fencers per weapon can be engaged
- foreign delegation are limited to 20 fencers per country and weapon
- **Minimum criteria for awarding points in the Circuit: 5 countries/30 participants/among them 30% of foreigners**

### 4) Referees quotas:

- 1-4 fencers no referee required
- 5-9                1 referee
- 10 – 15           2 referees
- 16 – 20           3 referees
- Non respect of quota is sanctioned by 500 EUR for every missing referee.

The referees officiating at EFC CC should have good national or international level qualification. Of course, the delegations are not obliged to bring the referee with them but they can use the practice from FIE JWC where either local free referees or from neighbouring country to the organising country are engaged and that way the quota is respected.

5) **Inscriptions for competitions: Only central offices of Federations can engage fencers and referees upon quota** for EFC Cadets Circuit competitions using their access data to the EFC Service portal. The entry fee for individual competitions is **20 EUR (maximum)**. For teams it can be higher; however it should **not** be **more than 60 EUR** per team (recommendation). **The deadline for inscriptions is Tuesday preceding the start of the event. All fencers and referees must be in possession of EFC license (fee of 15 EURO) and entered by their respective national federation respecting mentioned deadline policy, whilst entering fencer or referee manually on the day of the competition must be justified and only exceptional case.**

6) **EFC Cadets Circuit continues to be open for all interested fencers, even from other zones. However, the best ranked fencer will be declared at the end of the season and he/she can be only a fencer coming from an EFC member federation.**

7) **Organisation of cadets team competitions.** Cadets' team competitions will be organised by interested federations / clubs. No special rules are to be applied for team events except those cited here after:

- a) The organisers are free to run first in pools of 3 or 4 teams or to organise only direct elimination team competitions.
- b) **Initial seeding of teams** will be based on **current EFC CC Ranking of Teams**.
- c) **Referees** for team competitions should be provided by participating teams: 1-2 teams/1 referee, 3 or more teams/2 referees and by organisers
- d) **Entry fee** for teams should be reasonable, not exceeding 60 EURO per team as maximum.
- e) **In case of technical replacement during a match and if some injury appeared in the same match of concerned team then replaced fencer can come back in the team in**

order to allow continuing of that team in tournament (derogation from FIE rule for teams).

- f) To awarding winners of EFC team all season ranking EFC SDR will arrange with organiser of concerned cadets Championships purchase of cup in each weapon (6)
  - g) At European Championships only results from individual competitions will be considered for initial seeding of teams.
- 8) After ending the competition the organiser must immediately, on the same day, load XML-out file to EFC web site. Then **unofficial** updated ranking will be available right after that operation. After validation of results by EFC office updated ranking will become official. Besides uploading xml-results file the organisers **have to send them to EFC administrator and provide also complete results file under pdf format** and upload it to EFC web site structured as follows:

**In individual competitions:**

- a) fencers by country (including date of birth)
- b) fencers by initial seeding (given by EFC CC actual ranking)
- c) formula
- d) poules
- e) ranking after poules
- f) ranking for DE table in case two rounds of pools were fenced
- g) all DE tables
- h) final ranking (including date of birth)
- i) activity of referees

**In team event:**

- a) fencers in teams (including date of birth)
- b) teams initial ranking
- c) Table of direct elimination with results (all tables if also matches for places were fenced)
- d) Final raking of teams
- e) Activity of referees
- f) all details of matches in direct elimination

9) **General installations for competitions** should follow good practice and standards valid for FIE Junior World cup competitions using exclusively FIE prescribed pistes (**1,5 m large** and min. 17 m long), if possible surrounded by barriers offering sufficient place for referees ensuring good conditions for refereeing, timely posting results at every stage of competitions etc.

10) **Protocol: except “force majeure” the organisers are to hang out flags of participating federations and play national anthem of the winner during medal ceremony.**

11) **No name** on the back of fencers is required but for security reasons FIE equipment should be used (800 NW closes, 1600 NW masks, under wear of 800 NW and FIE homologated blade).

**12) EFC Rules about the age of participants at EFF Cadets Circuit and Championships:**

- The participants in cadet competitions are principally those who can participate at World Cadets Championships in the same fencing season, thus reaching 17 years on or after 1st of January of the year when the World Championships are held.
- The lowest age of fencers should be under same conditions as cited here above, 12 years.

- However, it is possible that in case of some extraordinary advanced young fencer, upon **written agreement** of his/her parents, coach and doctor recommendation even younger fencer can participate in given cadet competition
- 13) The organisers are to provide mandatory medical service at competitions applying also connected FIE rule about availability of ambulance (not necessary in case of proximity of hospital according to defined rule of the FIE).**
- 14) If necessary some complementary rules can be defined by the EFC Competition Commission and the EFC technical directory with approval of the EFC Executive Committee.**

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