



EUROPEAN SUMO FEDERATION

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EUROPEAN SUMO CHAMPIONSHIPS

U14 – Men and Women

U16 – Men and Women

U18 – Men and Women

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

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TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Estonia, Rakvere, 6st – 9th October, 2022

I. PURPOSE:

To internationally popularize and promote Sumo as well as establish mutual friendship and goodwill among participating European countries.

II. CO-ORGANIZERS & SUPPORTERS:

- Estonian Sumo Association
- European Sumo Federation
- Sportclub Eesti Karud
- The City of Rakvere

III. IMPORTANT DATES:

1. **August 15, 2022** - to inform if the national sumo federation will participate in the ESC or not and deliver preliminary submission of entries by number of competitors per weight category.
2. **August 31, 2022** – the deadline for sending referees application. The information about appointment will be sent till **September 15, 2022**.
3. **August 31, 2022** - the deadline for hotel reservation.
4. **August 31, 2022** – the deadline for sending entry forms.
5. **September 15, 2022** – the TUE deadline (see item Doping Control)
6. **September 15, 2022** - the deadline for corrections in the entry forms (changing names of athletes due to injuries or other unpredictable circumstances).
7. **September 15, 2022** – the deadline for order meal onto the Sports Hall.

IV. COMPETITION VENUE:

Estonia, Rakvere, Kastani 12, Spordikompleks.

V. THE TERMS OF PARTICIPATION:

Participants shall be from national federations – members of the European Sumo Federation and countries approved by the EFS.

Competitors shall be men and women (U14, U16, U18) who are registered to the Sumo Federation of each participating country. A competitor may participate in the competition only under the nationality appearing on his passport.

There shall be 3 competitors participating in a team of a country for the team competition and 1 substitute (a minimum of 2 competitors are allowed to participate in the team competition).

Only accredited participants will have access to the field of play and the surrounding area. Below mentioned areas will be protected by security.

VI. ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS:

Accreditation is available to all athletes, coaches, referees and officials. The participant's accreditation for the ESC is issued only on condition of accommodation in official hotels, provided by the organizer.

Accommodation costs:

1. Hotel cat. A – 55 €/per person/per night (include breakfast).

For single using of accommodation cat. A the cost of living is 80 €/per night.

2. Hotel. cat. B – 45 €/per person/per night (include breakfast).

For single using of accommodation cat. A the cost of living is 70 €/per night.

If you miss the booking deadline, the organizer may try to find the accommodation, but the price will be higher by 50 €/per person/per night.

Cancellation policy:

In case of cancellation, charges will be made in the percentage of the total accreditation cost.

Cancellations made 6-13 days prior to check-in: 50%

Cancellations made 1-5 days prior to check-in: 100%

Cancellations made on the day of check-in or no-show: 100%

NB! If participants do not use accommodations provided by the organizer, they will be required to pay a fee of € 200 per person for accreditation otherwise they will not be allowed to participate.

MEAL: During the ESC, hot meals can be provided for participants in the Sports Hall. The cost is 7 € for. If you did not meet the deadline, you can also buy the meal by the price will be higher.

NB: When you order meal, please report food allergies and other issues (vegan, etc.)

VII. TRANSPORT:

Transportation shall be provided to all accredited participants who registered. Local transportation includes transport from and to airport in Tallinn, hotel, competition and training venues and those other places where the events are held by the Organizers. These transportation arrangements are only made for accredited participants who stay in the official accommodations reserved through the Organizers.

Non-local Travel: The cost of airline flights for all participating athletes and officials between the participating country and airport in Estonia will be borne by the participating country.

VIII. APPLICATIONS:

All documents must be completed and submitted for application by e-mail only:

- Individual Application Form (entry forms delivered by Organizers)
- Team Application Form (entry forms delivered by Organizers)
- Passport Information Form (in one form per country)
- ID Photos (jpg or pdf form, approximate 200 pixels/inch) (each individual)
- Passport Copies (scanned in jpg or pdf form, indicating name, passport number, expiry date, photo) (each individual)
- Accommodation Sheet (one form per country)
- Referees Application

Above mentioned documents has to be sent to Secretariat of European Sumo Federation, e-mail: [tarozum@wp.pl](mailto:tározum@wp.pl) and to Estonian Sumo Association: sumoliit@gmail.com

IX. FEES:

Entry Fees:

1. U14 of € 20.00 per individual start and team of € 50,00.
2. U16 of € 30.00 per individual start and team of € 50,00.
3. U18 of € 30.00 per individual start and team of € 50,00.

Entry fees should be paid during accreditation to Committee: Mr. Rolf Rotnes (Treasurer of EFS), Mrs. Magdalena Pawlik (Senior Manager of EFS) under supervision of Mr. Riho Rannikmaa (Secretary General of EFS).

Coaches, referees, guests, officials do not need to pay this entry fee.

EFS membership Fee: € 150. The Federations, which did not pay membership fee for 2021 are obligated to cover this costs too.

X. COMPETITION RULES:

The weigh – in procedure:

Will be organized in two separate rooms – one for women and one for men. Moreover, the male athletes take part in this procedure wearing short leggings. Taking off it is not allowed. The weight, which will be shown by scale, will be reduce of 100 gram/per every male athlete as a weight of leggings. The female athletes have to wear a leotard. Taking of it is not allowed. The weight, which will be shown by scale, will be reduce of 200 gram/per every female athlete as a weight of leotard.

Tournament system:

The tournament shall be conducted based on the Regulations on Competition and Regulations on Refereeing of the International Sumo Federation and European Sumo Federation. ESC will be organized in accordance with system of EFS – if amount of athletes in weight category will be less than or equal 5, will be used round robin system, if more – double repechage. EFS ensure computer and computer program to run tournament.

Referees issues:

ESF will designate Head Referee of tournament and person, who will manage computer program. All national federations may nominate candidate for being referee by sending application. After verification of application by Chief of Referee in cooperation with designed Head Referee of ESC and Vicepresident of refereeing matters of EFS, EFS will announced referees. Sending the application does not mean that referee will work during the tournament. Work of referees will be paid by European Sumo Federation and the rate will depends on job evaluation.

To ensure impartial refereeing, the Head Referee will be appointed by the ESF from a country other than the organizer of the European Sumo Championships.

Athletes' outfit:

- Competitors must wear mawashi (white or black) approved by the European Sumo Federation.

- The underpants may be worn by male competitors but must be in black colour only. Other colours are not allowed. The length of the underpants must cover half of the thigh, but can not cover the knees.
- Female competitors must wear a leotard under the mawashi. The colour of the leotard is not restricted.
- Each competitor is responsible for bringing his own mawashi, underpants or leotard.
- Country identification (Zekken) supplied by the host federation must be worn.

Other rules:

- A maximum of 3 competitors (Senpo, Chuken, and Taisho) and 1 substitute may register for the Team Competition in the tournament. There is no weight limit.
 - In the team competition, the championships shall be determined through the tournament system.
 - The best 4 men team and 4 women team – medal winners of the European Sumo Championships 2021 shall be seeded.
 - A substitute competitor may be swapped in the team competition only once.
- (1) Medal winners of European Sumo Championships 2021 in every age group will be seeded.
- (2) In the Individual Competition, participants shall be separated into the following competition classes for tournament matches:

W/U14 (born 2008 – 2011)

-35 kg (2), -40kg (2), -45kg (2), -50kg (2), -55kg (2), -60kg(2),-65kg(2),+65kg (2), Team;

M/U14 (born 2008 – 2011)

-40kg (2), -45kg (2), -50kg (2), -55kg (2), -60kg (2), -65 kg (2),-70kg(2), +70kg (2), Team;

W/U16 (born 2006 – 2009)

-45kg(2), -50kg (2), -55kg (2), -60kg (2), -65kg (2), -70kg (2), +70kg (2), Open (2), Team;

M/U16 (born 2006 – 2009)

-50kg (2), -55kg (2), -65kg (2), -75kg (2), -85kg (2), -95kg (2), +95 kg (2), Open (2), Team;

W/U18 (born 2004-2007)

-50kg (2), -55kg (2), -60kg (2); -65kg (2), -70kg (2), -75kg (2), +75kg (2), Open (2), Team;

M/U18 (born 2004-2007)

-55kg (2), -60kg (2), -70kg (2), -80kg (2), -90kg (2), -100kg (2), +100 kg (2), Open (2), Team;

Competitors in the individual competition are also able to participate in the team competition. Up to two competitors from one country can compete in one weight category.

XI. COMPETITION PROGRAM:

OCTOBER, 6 (Thursday)		
12:00 – 17:00* *in an agreed case - time of arrival by plane, in agreement with the organizer, it is possible to extend the weight time.	Accreditation and weigh – in for U14, U16, U18	Sports Hall
18:30 – 20:00	Technical meeting and draw for U14	Sports Hall
20:00 – 21:00	Meeting of Board of EFS	Place will be agreed later

OCTOBER, 7 (Friday)		
09:00 – 10:00	Referee Seminar	Sports Hall
10:00 – 15:00	Competition: U14, Men and Women and teams	-//-
15:00 – 16:00	Opening Ceremony of U14	-//-
16:00 -	Continuation of competition, after all fights, Awarding ceremony	-//-
17:00 – 18:00* *in an agreed case - time of arrival by plane, in agreement with the organizer, it is possible to extend the weight time.	Weigh in for U16, U18	-//-
19:00 – 20:00	Technical meeting and draw for U16	-//-

OCTOBER, 8 (Saturday)		
09:00 – 10:00	Referee Seminar	Sports Hall
10:00 –	Competition: U16, Men and Women and teams, after all fights, Awarding ceremony	-//-
16:00 – 17:30* *in an agreed case - time of arrival by plane, in agreement with the organizer, it is possible to extend the weight time.	Weigh in for U18	-//-
19:00 – 20:00	Technical meeting and draw for U18	-//-

OCTOBER, 9 (Sunday)		
09:00 – 10:00	Referee Seminar	Sports Hall
10:00 – 15:00	Competition: U18, Men and Women and teams	-//-
15:00 – 16:00	Opening Ceremony of ESC U18	-//-
16:00 -	Continuation of competition, after all fights, Awarding ceremony	-//-

XII. AWARDING:

Winners will get medal and diploma. Athlete, who win a medal must attend the awarding ceremony to receive their medal in person. Competitors must wear mawashi and if female – leotard, training wear is not allowed) at the ceremony.

XIII. DOPING:

(1)Doping tests can be taken by any athlete participating in the European Sumo Championships.

- (1) This Competition shall be subject to the Doping Control under the IFS Anti-Doping Code. In accordance with the IFS Anti-Doping Code, each athlete in this competition shall be deemed to have agreed to be subject to the Doping Control procedures at the time when she enters this competition.
- (2) When an athlete in this competition refuses or evades sample collection, whether competition fails to comply with instructions of a Doping Control official, or when an athlete in this competition cannot complete the Doping Control procedures due to personal reasons such as returning home, etc., such conduct or circumstance may be considered to constitute anti-doping control rule violations. If an athlete in this competition is deemed to have committed an anti-doping rule violation, such an athlete shall be subject to sanctions under the IFS Anti-Doping Code.
- (3) Regardless of In-Competition Testing or Out-of-Competition Testing, an athlete whose blood sample is to be collected is required to take a rest of 2 hours after competition or training.
- (4) Each athlete is required to confirm the details of the IFS Anti-Doping Code and a doping test on the website of the International Sumo Federation: http://www.ifs-sumo.org/pdf/IFS-Anti_Doping_Code_.pdf
- (6) Athletes may have illnesses or conditions that require them to take particular medications or undergo procedures. If the medication required by the athlete to treat her illness or condition happens to be in the WADA Prohibited List, a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) may give that athlete the authorization to take the needed medicine or method.

To apply for a TUE form, download the TUE Form (updated form, please use the current form) from the IFS website <http://www.ifs-sumo.org>, complete the form and send all the necessary documents to: tarozum@wp.pl

No exceptions will be made.

XIV. INSURANCE:

Each National Federation is responsible for its competitors and must arrange for accident and health insurance as well as the civil liabilities for their competitors and officials during the events of the European Sumo Championships. The organizers and EFS will not be responsible and shall not be held liable for injuries or any other accidents during the events. The organizers shall provide first aid for injuries sustained during the Championships but shall not be held liable for such injuries or any other accidents. The organizers will not be able to treat any other ailments not due to injury (such as headache or stomach-ache).

XV. CONTACTS:

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