

# EUROPEAN SUMO CHAMPIONSHIPS

**U21 – Men and Women**

**U23 – Men and Women**



**OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

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**TOURNAMENT INFORMATION**

**Poland, Kielce, 21<sup>st</sup> April – 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2023**

## I. PURPOSE:

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

## II. CO-ORGANIZERS & SUPPORTERS:

- Ministry of Sport and Tourism of Poland
- Marshal's Office of the Świętokrzyskie Voivodeship
- The City of Kielce
- European Sumo Federation
- Polish Sumo Federation
- Sport Club „Guliwer” Kielce

## III. IMPORTANT DATES:

1. **February 28, 2023** - 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. **March 21, 2023** - the deadline for hotel reservation.
3. **March 21, 2023** – the deadline for order meal.
4. **March 31, 2023** – the deadline for sending entry forms.
5. **March 31, 2023** – the deadline for sending referees application. The information about appointment will be sent till **April 7, 2023**.
6. **April 10, 2023** – the TUE deadline (see item Doping Control)
7. **April 10, 2023** - the deadline for corrections in the entry forms (changing names of athletes due to injuries or other unpredictable circumstances).

#### **IV. COMPETITION VENUE:**

Poland, Kielce, Sports Hall of Sports Championships School, Jagiellońska 90 Street, Kielce (zip code 25 - 734).

#### **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 (U21, U23) 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 – 65 €/per person/per night (include breakfast).

For single using of accommodation cat. A the cost of living is 85 €/per night.

2. Hotel. cat. B – 55 €/per person/per night (include breakfast).

For single using of accommodation cat. A the cost of living is 75 €/per night.

3. Hotel cat. C – 35 €/per person/per night (include breakfast). Double to maximum four – person rooms. It is possible that in the case of accommodation in a hotel of this category, it will be necessary to go to breakfast on foot to other place (very close to hotel). The places in hotel cat. C are limited.

If you miss the booking deadline, the organizer may try to find the accommodation, but the price can 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, meal can be provided for participants in the Sports Hall. The cost of lunch: 8 €, the cost of dinner: 8 €. If you buy both the price is 15 €.

**VII. TRANSPORT:**

Transportation shall be provided to all accredited participants who registered. Local transportation includes transport from and to airport in Cracow, 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. Transportation from other airports in Poland should be arranged and negotiated with the Organizers (an additional fee may apply).

Non-local Travel: The cost of airline flights for all participating athletes and officials between the participating country and airports in Poland 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 Office of European Sumo Federation, e-mail: [tarózum@wp.pl](mailto:tározum@wp.pl) and Office of Polish Sumo Federation: [biuro@pzsumo.org](mailto:biuro@pzsumo.org)**

## IX. FEES:

### Entry Fees:

1. U21 of € 40.00 per individual start, U21 team of € 60,00.
2. U23 of € 40.00 per individual start, U23 team of € 60,00.

Entry fees should be paid by bank transfer before ESC or during accreditation to Committee: Mr. Rolf Rotnes (Treasurer of EFS), Mrs. Magdalena Pawlik (Senior Manager of EFS).

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

**EFS membership Fee:** € 150.

## 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:**

EFS 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 EFS 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.
- A substitute competitor may be swapped in the team competition only once.

(1) Medal winners of European Sumo Championships 2022 in every age group will be seeded.

(2) In the Individual Competition, participants shall be separated into the following competition classes for tournament matches:

### U21 Women and Men:

(born 2006 – 2002)

<b>W</b>	-50 kg	-55 kg	-60 kg	-65 kg	-70 kg	-75 kg	+75 kg	Open
<b>M</b>	-65 kg	-70 kg	-77 kg	-85 kg	-92 kg	-100 kg	+100 kg	Open

### U23 Women and Men:

(born 2006 - 2000)

<b>W</b>	-50 kg	-55 kg	-60 kg	-65 kg	-73 kg	-80 kg	+80 kg	Open
<b>M</b>	-70 kg	-77 kg	-85 kg	-92 kg	-100 kg	-115 kg	+115 kg	Open

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. A coach may be a competing participant.

**XI. COMPETITION PROGRAM\*:**

<b>APRIL, 21 (Friday)</b>		
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 U21, U23	Sports Hall
18:30 – 20:00	Technical meeting and draw for U21	Sports Hall

<b>APRIL, 22 (Saturday)</b>		
9:00 – 10:00	Referee Seminar	Sports Hall
10:00 – 11:00	Opening Ceremony of U21	-//-
11:00 – 17:00	Competition: U21, Men and Women, individual and team	-//-
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 U23	-//-
19:00 – 20:00	Technical meeting and draw for U23	-//-



<b>APRIL, 23 (Sunday)</b>		
11:00 – 12:00	Referee Seminar	Sports Hall
12:00 – 18:00	Competition: U23, Men and Women, individual and team	-//-
18:00 – 19:00	Awarding ceremony	-//-

\* Hourly schedule of competition program can slightly change, every NF will be informed.