

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The ETTU Europe Cup Men, hereinafter referred to as "EECM, shall be organised according to the ETTU Regulations applicable for the Competition, i.e. Chapter "J" of the ETTU Handbook. Clubs failing to comply with the ETTU Regulations and/or Directives will be fined according to the Penalty Catalogue as laid down in article 25.

ETTU is the sole owner of the Competition and all associated rights, including but not limited to media, commercial, and intellectual property rights, unless otherwise agreed in writing.

The directives may be reviewed and amended in line with the decisions of the ETTU Executive Board to reflect updates to the general organisation and planning of the European Club Competitions Men.

2. PARTIES INVOLVED

- ETTU – European Table Tennis Union, (Competition Director (CD), Secretary General (SG))
- Clubs participating in the Competition
- Club Competition Manager
- Club Competition Official
- ETTU Member Associations
- Rightholders (media, betting, sponsors)

The competition shall be conducted by the ETTU Secretary General, whose authority shall include changing dates and venues of matches whenever needed.

3. EUROPEAN CLUB COMPETITION RANKING

For the 2026/27 season, all seedings will be based on the previous Ranking System (used at the end of the season 2025/26)

3.1. The European Club Competition Ranking is used for the seeding lists in all club competitions.

3.2. Clubs are rewarded with points on 2 levels :

- for the final position at the end of the season (Final Position Points)
- for each win against an opponent club (Victory Points)

3.2.1. Final Position Points

Final Position Points allocation:	Full	2025/26	2024/25	2023/24
Champions League winner	2000	2000,0	1000,0	500,0
Champions League runner up	1750	1750,0	875,0	437,5
Champions League SF	1500	1500,0	750,0	375,0
Champions League QF	1250	1250,0	625,0	312,5
Champions League R16	800	800,0	400,0	200,0
Europe Cup winner	700	700,0	350,0	175,0
Europe Cup runner-up	800	800,0	400,0	200,0
Europe Cup SF	600	600,0	300,0	150,0
Europe Cup QF	500	500,0	250,0	125,0
Europe Cup R16	400	400,0	200,0	100,0
Europe Cup Stage 2 - 3rd in the group (not last)	200	200,0	100,0	50,0
Europe Cup Stage 2 - last in the group	125	125,0	62,5	31,3
Europe Cup Stage 1 - 3rd in the group (not last)	100	100,0	50,0	25,0
Europe Cup Stage 1 - last in the group	20	20,0	10,0	5,0
Europe Trophy Grand Finals winner	250	250,0	125,0	62,5
Europe Trophy Grand Finals runner up	200	200,0	100,0	50,0
Europe Trophy Grand Finals 3rd	150	150,0	75,0	37,5
Europe Trophy Grand Finals 4th	125	125,0	62,5	31,3

Final Position Points allocation:	Full	2025/26	2024/25	2023/24
Europe Trophy Grand Finals 5th	110	110,0	55,0	27,5
Europe Trophy Grand Finals 6th	105	105,0	52,5	26,3
Europe Trophy Grand Finals 7th	100	100,0	50,0	25,0
Europe Trophy Grand Finals 8th	95	95,0	47,5	23,8
Europe Trophy Grand Finals 9th	90	90,0	45,0	22,5
Europe Trophy Grand Finals 10th	85	85,0	42,5	21,3
Europe Trophy Grand Finals 11th	80	80,0	40,0	20,0
Europe Trophy Grand Finals 12th	75	75,0	37,5	18,8
Europe Trophy Grand Finals participant (no win)	60	60,0	30,0	15,0
Europe Trophy Regional winner	50	50,0	25,0	12,5
Europe Trophy Regional runner up	35	35,0	17,5	8,8
Europe Trophy Regional stage 2 qualifier	25	25,0	12,5	6,3
Europe Trophy Regional stage 1 participant	10	10,0	5,0	2,5

3.2.2. Victory points :

For each win against the opponent club, the winning club will be rewarded with additional points (Victory Points).

Victory Points allocation	Full	2025/26	2024/25	2023/24
Win over an opponent ranked 1st–2nd in the ECR*	150	150,0	75,0	37,5
Win over an opponent ranked 3rd–4th in the ECR*	125	125,0	62,5	31,3
Win over an opponent ranked 5th–8th in the ECR*	100	100,0	50,0	25,0
Win over an opponent ranked 9th–12th in the ECR*	75	75,0	37,5	18,8
Win over an opponent ranked 13th–16th in the ECR*	50	50,0	25,0	12,5
Win over an opponent ranked 17th–24th in the ECR*	25	25,0	12,5	6,3
Win over an opponent ranked 25th–32nd in the ECR*	20	20,0	10,0	5,0
Win over an opponent ranked 33rd–48th in the ECR*	15	15,0	7,5	3,8
Win over an opponent ranked 49th–64th in the ECR*	10	10,0	5,0	2,5
Win over an opponent ranked over 65th position in the ECR*	5	5,0	2,5	1,3
Win over a non-ranked opponent	3	3,0	1,5	0,8

*ECR – standing in the European Club Ranking at the beginning of the season

ETTU will publish the new ranking by 01.08.2026, integrating all results from the previous two seasons in accordance with the New Ranking System. This ranking will be used for the Clubs Season 2027/28
ETTU will publish Club Rankings according to a new ranking by 01.08.2026 on a monthly basis, on the same dates as the MA ETTU Rankings.

Victory Points will be calculated on monthly basis, while Final Position Points will be allocated at the end of each Club Competition Season.

For a non-finished team match, Victory Points will not be awarded.

4. 2025/26 THE EUROPEAN MEN'S CLUBS COMPETITION STRUCTURE

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE MEN									
STAGE 1		STAGE 2				FINAL 4			
16 teams		16 TEAMS				4 TEAMS			
Groups	4	R 16	2 legs (Home/Away)		SF	1 leg			
Teams	4 in each group	QF	2 legs (Home/Away)		F	1 leg			
Host :	1 host	R16		QF		SF		F	
GROUP A	R16/1	S1	QF1	W R16/1	SF1	W QF/1	FIN	W SF/1	
S9-12		RU A/B/C/D							
S13-16	W A/B/C/D	W R16/3							
S17-20	S5-8								
S21-24	R16/3	S5-8	QF2	W R16/4	SF1	W QF/2	FIN	W SF/2	
GROUP B	R16/4	W A/B/C/D							
S9-12		RU A/B/C/D	W R16/6						
S13-16	S3-4	QF3		W R16/7					
S17-20	S3-4		W R16/8						
S21-24	R16/5	RU A/B/C/D							
GROUP C	R16/6	W A/B/C/D	QF4	W R16/8	SF1	W QF/3	FIN	W SF/2	
S9-12		S5-8							
S13-16	S5-8	W R16/7							
S17-20	W A/B/C/D								
S21-24	R16/7	RU A/B/C/D							
GROUP D	R16/8	S2	QF4	W R16/8	SF1	W QF/4	FIN	W SF/2	
S9-12									
S13-16									
S17-20									
S21-24									

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EUROPE CUP MEN										
STAGE 1		STAGE 2		STAGE 3						
16 teams		16 teams		16 teams						
Groups	4	Groups	4	R 16		2 legs (Home/Away)				
Teams	4 in each group	Teams	4 in each group	QF		2 legs (Home/Away)				
Host :	1 host	Host :	1 host	SF		2 legs (Home/Away)				
GROUP 1		GROUP A		F		2 legs (Home/Away)				
S25-28	EC Stage 1 W/1		R16		QF		SF		F	
S29-32	CL - Stage 1 3rd		R16/1	CL L/R16	QF1	W R16/1	SF1	W QF1	FINAL	W SF1
S33-36	CL - Stage 1 4th			ECS2 RU/A						
S37-40	EC Stage 1 RU/4		CL L/R16	W R16/3						
GROUP 2	GROUP B		ECS2 W/D			W R16/4				
S25-28	EC Stage 1 W/2		R16/3	CL L/R16	QF2		W R16/5	W QF2		
S29-32	CL - Stage 1 3rd		ECS2 RU/B	W R16/6						
S33-36	CL - Stage 1 4th		R16/4		CL L/R16	QF3	W R16/7	W QF3		
S37-40	EC Stage 1 RU/3		ECS2 W/C	W R16/8						
GROUP 3	GROUP C		R16/5		CL L/R16	QF4	W R16/8	W QF4		
S25-28	EC Stage 1 W/3		ECS2 RU/C							
S29-32	CL - Stage 1 3rd		R16/6	CL L/R16						
S33-36	CL - Stage 1 4th		ECS2 W/B							
S37-40	EC Stage 1 RU/2		R16/7	CL L/R16						
GROUP 4	GROUP D		R16/8	ECS2 RU/D						
S25-28	EC Stage 1 W/4		R16/8	CL L/R16						
S29-32	CL - Stage 1 3rd		ECS2 W/A							
S33-36	CL - Stage 1 4th									
S37-40	EC Stage 1 RU/1									

ETTU EUROPE TROPHY REGIONAL STAGE
Regional Events
Playing System and Regions will be decided by ETTU for each region
Eligible participants:
registered teams for Europe Trophy
3rd positioned teams - EECM S1
4th positioned teams - EECM S1

EUROPE TROPHY GRAND FINALS			
8-12 teams will participate - depending on a playing system of Regional Stage			
one host			
Stage 1		Stage 2	
Group Stage	QF	SF	FIN
single round robin	one leg		

* In the case of less teams participating in Stage 1, ETTU may adapt and confirm the Competition Structure at its own discretion.

5. QUALIFICATION FOR ETTU EUROPE CUP MEN

5.1. The Competition shall be open for the clubs/teams according to the European Club Competition seeding list based on the results of the clubs from the last 3 European Club Competitions' seasons, to the Europe Cup winner, and to the clubs with accepted wild cards.

Teams :

European clubs ranking : The next 12 teams from the European Club Rankings after the participants of the ETTU Champions League Men have been determined

Wild Card 1 : Qualified for the Stage 1

Wild Card 2 : Qualified for the Stage 1

Wild Card 3 : Qualified for the Stage 1

Wild Card 4 : Qualified for the Stage 1

These clubs will be seeded in the last position(s) of the Europe Cup and start in Europe Cup Stage 1

In case there are no Wild Card Requests/Acceptance, the remaining teams will be filled in according to european clubs ranking

5.2. There is no limitation of teams per national Association for the Europe Cup.

5.3. In case of two clubs/teams qualified for the Competition with the same management, ETTU can move the lower-ranked of the two clubs/teams to the Europe Trophy and the vacant position in the Competition will be filled by the next highest-ranked club/team of the European Clubs Ranking.

5.4. Wild cards for up to 4 clubs/teams may be given by ETTU for clubs wishing to join the Europe Cup but not ranked high enough to reach a Europe Cup position by seeding. Clubs asking for wild cards shall meet the following criteria to be accepted.

Clubs asking for a Wild Cards shall meet the following criteria in order to be accepted:

- show evidence of their playing venue to meet all directive criteria
- show evidence (preferably contract) of their top 3 players who will play ECC

In case more than 4 clubs ask for a Wild Card and meet all directive criteria, the clubs with the highest total points of their 3 highest ranked players in the most recent World Rankings will have priority

These clubs will be seeded in the last position(s) of the Europe Cup and start in Europe Cup group stage 1.

5.5. Suppose free spots remain in the Europe Cup after attribution of the 4 Wild Cards and the confirmation of the seeded teams from the ECC ranking. In that case, ETTU may allocate further wild cards to complete the Europe Cup until the maximum participation is reached.

6. REGISTRATION

6.1. Key Dates:

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| ▪ Deadline for Club's Teams Registration: | Monday, 29.06.2026., 23:59 CEST |
| ▪ Deadline for Wild Card Application: | Monday, 22.06.2026., 23:59 CEST |
| ▪ Deadline for the clubs MA-s verification: | Wednesday, 01.07.2026., 23:59 CEST |
| ▪ Deadline for clubs players registration: | Monday, 20.07.2026., 23:59 CEST |
| ▪ Deadline for the clubs players MA-s verification: | Wednesday, 22.07.2026., 23:59 CEST |

6.2. ETTU OERS (Online Entry Registration System) will be used.

6.2.1. Deadline for Club's Teams Registration and Wild Card application:

6.2.1.1. Until the deadline on 29.06.2026. at 23:59 CEST Clubs need to send Application form to:

- club@ettu.org
- competition@ettu.org
- to corresponding Member Association

In the Application Form, Clubs need to enter :

- Competition in which clubs would like to participate in the season 2026/27
- Venue Details
- Equipment Details
- Application for hosting the ETTU Clubs Events in season 2026/27

6.2.1.1. **Until the deadline on 22.06.2026. at 23:59 CEST Clubs need to send Wild Card request to:**

- club@ettu.org
- competition@ettu.org

6.2.2. **Deadline for the clubs MA-s Verification:**

Until the deadline on 01.07.2026. at 23:59 CEST Club MA in the OERS needs to:

- Enter club(s) registration for the season 2026/27, by that club is verified for the season 2026/27
- Enter club(s) Wild Card application, if any

6.2.3. **Deadline for the clubs players registration:**

Until the deadline on 20.07.2026. at 23:59 CEST, Clubs need to enter in the Application Form:

- a minimum of six (6) and a maximum of twelve (12) players. Teams are encouraged to register the maximum number allowed, as no late nominations or registrations will be accepted after the registration deadline.

and send it to :

- club@ettu.org
- competition@ettu.org
- to their corresponding Member Association

Clubs are entitled to enter:

- up to 12 players, who are eligible to represent any ETTU Member Association
- up to 12 players, who have a passport from any ETTU Member Association's country, but not representing this ETTU Member Association
- up to 3 players, who do not have a passport from any ETTU Member Association's country (non-European players)

6.2.4. **Deadline for the clubs players MA-s verification:**

Until the deadline on 22.07.2026. at 23:59 CEST, the Member Association (MA) of the respective clubs must enter in the OERS:

- Club Players list, by this entry players are verified by the MA-s

6.3. The registered EECM clubs shall pay to the ETTU bank account the following entry fee within 7 days upon reception of the final seeding list and invoice:

- 500 €

6.4. Clubs wishing to participate in the EECM will only be accepted if the entry fees and deposit payment are transferred to the ETTU bank account in accordance with Article 6.3. and only in case they have no outstanding payments to ETTU from previous season(s).

6.5. If a qualified team does not enter the EECM or does not fulfil the requirements set up, the next highest ranked team of the seeding may fill the vacant position.

6.6. Exit possibility

6.6.1. After the publication of the final seeding list, and following the teams' registration deadline, clubs will have a 24-hour window to withdraw from the competition.

Withdrawals must be communicated to ETTU by email (club@ettu.org; competition@ettu.org) by both the club and its National Association.

A withdrawal/cancellation fee of two hundred (200) € has to be paid by the respective club to the ETTU bank account.

6.6.2. All withdrawals after the exit possibility will be fined according to the Penalty Catalogue (article 25.3)

6.7. After the registration deadline for team registration, the clubs and their National Associations will receive the final seeding list with the entered teams.

6.8. After the deadline for players' registration, the clubs and their National Associations will receive a list with all entered players of the teams.

Clubs and National Associations have 48 hours to inform ETTU in case of any irregularity or mistake.

After this deadline, the players' list shall be final, and no additional player can be accepted.

7. ELIGIBILITY

7.1. Only nominated players are entitled to represent their club/team. After deadline for player registration, no additional player can be accepted for a club/team

7.2. A player may represent only one team in ETTU club competitions, from the day before the first round until the day after the last match of the competition.
This means that a player may be registered with more than one team, and in one or more Associations, but may only be registered for ETTU Club Competitions with a single team.
The responsibility for player participation in competitions other than the ETTU Club Competitions remains with the national Associations and the clubs themselves

7.3. A player having signed with a club to play ECCM and refuses to play for that club in ECCM can be suspended for the following ECCM season(s) by ETTU

7.4. A player's presence is only counted if the player is confirmed on the official team line-up sheet (A/B sheet) by the Referee or umpire on duty.
On that team line-up sheet all players present in the playing venue before the match starts can be added.
Team captains are responsible for checking if their players present are written on the team line-up sheet while signing it. Team line-up sheets are part of the score sheet.
No later request will be accepted.

7.5. In a team match up to 1 non-European* player is entitled to play but either the second or the third non-European* player, if given, can be only nominated as "reserve player" for replacing the other non-European*

7.6. In case a player starts the competition as a non-European* player and his nationality changes during the playing season he shall nonetheless continue to be considered as a non-European* player up to the end of the current playing season.

* A non-European player is a player with a nationality outside ETTU member Associations' countries.

* To define player nationality, ETTU will use the nationality as provided by the players' passports.

7.7. In order to be eligible to compete in the semi-finals and finals, a player shall have at least 2 participations at team matches in the period before (group stages until quarter finals included) i.e. at least participated or having been listed in official scoresheet in two team matches in total. No exception can be made.

This eligibility directive also counts for Champions League teams relegated to the Europe Cup.

8. PLAYING FORMAT

8.1. PLAYING FORMAT OF STAGE 1

- 8.1.1. Eligible teams : Seeded 25-37
- 8.1.2. Number of groups : 4
- 8.1.3. Number of teams in each group** : 4 groups by 4 teams
- 8.1.4. Order of matches : Single Round Robin with following order :
- R1: 1-3, 2-4
- R2: 1-2, 3-4
- R3: 1-4, 2-3
- 8.1.5. Advance for the Stage 2 of ECM: 4 group winners and 4 group Runner ups
- 8.1.6. Relegated to Europe Trophy: 3rd and 4th team from each group.
Relegated teams may continue in the Europe Trophy. The ETTU will set up the deadline by which relegated teams must confirm/withdraw from the Europe Trophy.
- 8.1.7. the referee or umpire on duty will make a draw 60 minutes prior each team match to define which team is team A and which team is team B for each match.
- 8.1.8. In a group, 2 match points shall be awarded for a win, 1 for a loss and 0 for a loss in a not played or unfinished match, and the ranking order shall be determined primarily by the numbers of match points gained.
- 8.1.8.1. If 2 or more teams have gained the same number of match points, their relative positions shall be determined by the results only of matches between them, taking successively the numbers of match points, then the ratio of wins to losses in individual matches, then the ratio of wins to losses in games and then the ratio of wins to losses in points, as far as it is necessary to determine the ranking order
- 8.1.8.2. If after any step the positions of one or more teams have been determined while others are still equal, the results of matches in which those teams took part shall be excluded from any further calculations needed to resolve the equalities in accordance with the procedure of 8.1.8. and 8.1.8.1.
- 8.1.8.3. If 2 or more teams have gained the same number of match points and have the same ratios of wins to losses in individual matches, games and points, their relative positions shall be decided by lot. The Referee shall do this draw by lot after the end of the team matches with at least the team captains present and inform the ETTU without delay.
- 8.1.9. Team matches must end when a team has won 3 individual matches.

8.2. PLAYING FORMAT OF STAGE 2

- 8.2.1. Eligible teams : winners of the ECM Groups 1-4
runner-ups of the ECM Groups 1-4
3rd-positioned teams from Stage 1 CLM
4th-positioned teams from Stage 1 CLM
- 8.2.2. Number of groups * : 4 groups
- 8.2.3. Number of teams in each group * : 4 teams
- 8.2.4. Order of matches : Single Round Robin with following order :
- R1: 1-3, 2-4
- R2: 1-2, 3-4
- R3: 1-4, 2-3
- 8.2.5. Advance to Stage 3 (EECM R16): Winner and Runner up of each group

- 8.2.7. the home team will be always considered as the team A, the away team will be team B.
- 8.2.8. In a group, 2 match points shall be awarded for a win, 1 for a loss and 0 for a loss in a not played or unfinished match, and the ranking order shall be determined primarily by the numbers of match points gained.
- 8.2.8.1. If 2 or more teams have gained the same number of match points, their relative positions shall be determined by the results only of matches between them, taking successively the numbers of match points, then the ratio of wins to losses in individual matches, then the ratio of wins to losses in games and then the ratio of wins to losses in points, as far as it is necessary to determine the ranking order
- 8.2.8.2. If after any step the positions of one or more teams have been determined while others are still equal, the results of matches in which those teams took part shall be excluded from any further calculations needed to resolve the equalities in accordance with the procedure of 8.2.8. and 8.2.8.1.
- 8.2.8.3. If 2 or more teams have gained the same number of match points and have the same ratios of wins to losses in individual matches, games and points, their relative positions shall be decided by lot. The ETTU shall do this draw by lot after the end of the group stage matches. That Draw will be public. Teams Involved in this Draw will be informed by ETTU when Draw will be conducted.
- 8.2.9. Team matches must end when a team has won 3 individual matches.

8.3. PLAYING FORMAT OF STAGE 3

- 8.3.1. Eligible teams :
 4 winners of Stage 2 groups EECM
 4 runner-ups of Stage 2 groups EECM
 8 losers form R16 CLM
- 8.3.2. Bracket :
 16 teams - R16, QF, SF, F
- 8.3.3. Playing Format :
 Direct KO (the home team will be always considered as the team A, the away team will be team B.)
 the knock-out competition method consists of 2 Clubs playing each other where the loser is immediately eliminated from winning the ECM and the winner qualifies to the next round. The two clubs will compete in a two-legged match - also called "Home and Away" match
 In a "Home and Away" match, the winner is the Club with more allocated points than the other one
- 8.3.4. Allocation of points :
 3 points : for the winner of 3:0 or 3:1 match
 2 points : for the winner of 3:2 match
 1 point: for the loser of 2:3 match
 0 points: for the loser of 0:3, 1:3 or walk over match

RESULTS				Who Wins
LEG 1		LEG 2		
Team A	Team B	Team A	Team B	
3	0	0	3	tie
3	1	1	3	tie
3	0	1	3	tie
3	1	0	3	tie
3	2	2	3	tie
3	0	2	3	Team A
3	1	2	3	Team A
3	2	0	3	Team B
3	2	1	3	Team B

8.3.5. Golden Match

In case of "tie" according to 8.3.4. Golden Match will be played.

8.3.5.1. The Golden Match will be played 10 minutes after 2nd leg is over.

8.3.5.2. The Golden Match consists of up to 3 games (sets), best of 3. The club winning 2 games (sets) is the winner.

8.3.5.3. The team captains chose for the Golden Match any 3 players from the team line up (including reserves) with limitation of 1 non european player, of the second leg team match. The team captains have to provide their lineup for the Golden Match to the Referee within 3 minutes after the 2nd leg match is over.

8.3.5.4. There shall be no time out at the Golden Match and no change of ends during a Golden Match game (set).

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8.3.6. Home / Away right

R16 Leg 1: home team is the qualified team from Stage EECM Stage 2

Leg 2: home team is the relegated team from ECLM (loser ECLM R16)

Quarter-Finals: Leg 1: home team it is lower ranked team in the seeding list for the Competition

Leg 2: home team it is higher ranked team in the seeding list for the Competition

Semi-Finals: Leg 1: home team it is lower ranked team in the seeding list for the Competition

Leg 2: home team it is higher ranked team in the seeding list for the Competition

Finals: Leg 1: home team it is lower ranked team in the seeding list for the Competition

Leg 2: home team it is higher ranked team in the seeding list for the Competition

8.3.7. Team matches starting with the KO rounds shall end once the winner of that round is defined. If the round's winner is already defined before a team has won 3 individual matches (of the second leg), playing the following match(es) is optional and at the discretion of the home team. In such an event, teams may nominate any of the entered players in the line-up for these matches.

9. PLAYING SYSTEM

9.1. The playing system shall be the New Swaythling Cup system (best of 5 singles) and in each individual match, the 5th game (set) shall start at 0:0 and play until the first player reaches 6 points (sudden death point at 5:5). In the 5th game (set) each player shall serve only once in a row and there will be no change of ends in the 5th game (set).

The match shall end when a team has won 3 singles, each the best of 5 games.

9.2. A team shall consist of up to 5 players selected from those nominated by the team's club for the event. It is recommended that a team always arrives at a match with at least 4 eligible players to reduce the risk of walk overs in case player(s) get ill/injured shortly before the match start. When walk overs could have been avoided by the participation of the club's reserve player, the club may be fined by the Club Competition Official. This recommendation is based on a requirement for fair play towards the ECL, the opponent club, spectators, media and the Table Tennis as a sport in general.

A team will lose by walk over (WO) in case the team has less than 2 players ready to play.

9.3. Team Composition

Match 1:	A1	vs	B2
Match 2:	A2	vs	B1
Match 3:	A3	vs	B3
Match 4:	A1 (A4/A5)	vs	B1 (B4/B5)
Match 5:	A2 (A4/A5)	vs	B2 (B4/B5)

The home team is considered to be composed by the players A1, A2, A3 and the visiting team is considered to be composed by the players B1, B2, B3.

In Stage 1 a draw will be made by the Referee or umpire on duty in order to define which team is A and B
Player substitution must be announced by the respective team captain to the Referee at the latest before the start of the third single match.

After the third single match, player No. 4 or No. 5 may replace player A1 or A2 (for the home team), respectively, player B1 or B2 (for the away team).

In a team match up to 1 non-European* player is entitled to play but either the second or the third non-European* player, if given, can be only nominated as "reserve player" for replacing the other non-European* player.

In case none of the players 1-3 is a non-European* player, the non-European* player being a reserve player may replace either player 1 or player 2.

Up to 2 reserve players per team (including up to 1 non-European* player) can be registered whereof each may replace only one player (either player 1 or player 2) after the third individual match.

- 9.4. Intervals between individual matches shall not exceed 1 minute except for the interval after the second individual match, where maximum a 15-minute break is accepted.

For the Stage 1 and Stage 2, there shall be no delay, only if written acceptance by ETTU.

The home team shall inform the visiting team, ETTU and the Referee 1 week prior the match about the interval planned after the second individual match.

At each time-out and between each game, the umpire shall place the Time-Out-Clock on the table in the main camera direction (if available).

10. MULTI BALLS AND BALL BOYS AND GIRLS (BBGs)

The use of Multiballs is mandatory starting from Quarter-Finals.

The host club has to provide 40 new balls and the 2 team captains shall choose 30 balls (15 balls each)

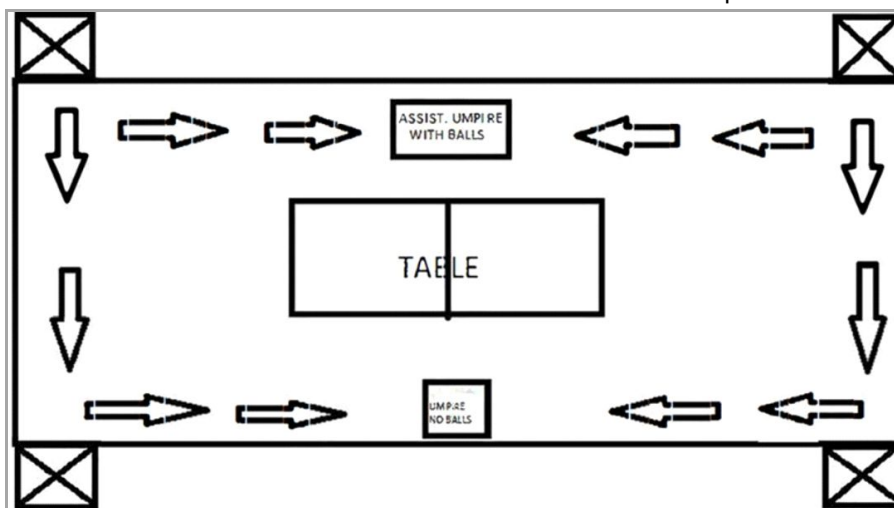
In each match 30 balls shall be kept by the umpire who will provide after each point a new ball to the serving player, in case the ball used from the previous rally is not in imminent reach of 1 of the 2 players

Balls remaining in the Field of Play (FoP) will be collected after each rally by ball boys/girls (BBGs) organised by the home club.

2 BBGs shall sit behind the corner board (1 on each long side, places marked "x" on below diagram). BBGs watch the playing field and collect the balls from the floor, and then run back to their zones. BBGs collecting balls should only move in designated areas (marked "→" on below diagram). BBGs have to return the balls to the umpire after each game, during time outs and when the umpire runs out of balls.

BBGs move only according to "→" on below diagram to hand over the balls to the umpire.

There shall be 1 chair in each of the x marked boxes so that BBGs do not disrupt the matches.



Delivery of the balls to the umpire may occur at any time after a distinct signal from the umpire to the BBGs.

Balls leaving the FoP will not be collected during a game.

BBGs shall be dressed in sportswear, preferably matching or similar clothing

There is no age limit for BBGs, however BBGs shall be mentally and physically able to be fully concentrated and collect balls quickly.

BBGs shall behave and act neutral.

The clubs are recommended to make a training session with the BBGs.



example - show court with BBGs zones

11. DRAW

11.1. The draw shall be made in public by ETTU on a date and a place to be published in advance on the official ETTU web site.

The draw will be made according to the final seeding list.

11.2. Stage 1 Draw :

The 4 top seeds shall be drawn in position 1 of each group, the next 4 from the seeding list in position 2 of each group etc.

Teams from the same national Association shall, as far as possible, be drawn into different groups.

Teams appointed to host a group round may be drawn first in order to secure that every group has a host.

11.3. Stage 2 Draw :

The 4 group stage 1 winners shall be drawn on positions 1 in group.

Relegated CLM teams: 3rd from the Stage 1 group - position 2 in the group

Relegated CLM teams: 4th from the Stage 1 group - position 3 in the group

The 4 group runner-ups 1 shall be drawn on positions 4 in group.

Restrictions:

Priority 1: EECM S1 Winners and Runner-Up teams coming from the same group shall be drawn into different groups in the Europe Cup group stage 2

Priority 2: Relegated Champions League teams coming from the same group shall be drawn into different groups in Europe Cup group stage 2

Priority 3: Teams from the same national Association shall, as far as possible, be drawn into different groups

11.4. Stage 3 Draw:

The draw for the R16 matches will be made after completion of the Champions League R16 matches.

The ECLM R16 losers will be freely drawn (no restriction) into the free positions against the winners and runners-up from the Europe Cup group stage 2.

The position where each group stage 2 winner and runner-up will be positioned is fixed in the table at item 4 and the following rounds are there defined as well (no further draws required).

12. FIXTURES

- 12.1. The competition shall be held each season according to a schedule published by ETTU.
- 12.2. The actual playing season shall be from the day before the first round of the competition until the day after the second final match.

12.3. Season 2025/26 schedule :

13.-15.11.2026.	Stage 1 (preferably 1 host)
18.-20.12.2026.	Stage 2 (preferably 1 host)
12.-13.01.2027.	Stage 3 - R16 Leg 1 (final dates tbc)
16.-17.01.2027.	Stage 3 - R16 Leg 2 (final dates tbc)
02.-03.03.2026.	Stage 3 - QF Leg 1 (final dates tbc)
06.-07.03.2026.	Stage 3 - QF Leg 2 (final dates tbc)
06.-07.04.2026.	Stage 3 - SF Leg 1 (final dates tbc)
10.-11.04.2026.	Stage 3 - SF Leg 2 (final dates tbc)
30.04.2027.	Stage 3 - F Leg 1 (final dates tbc)
07.05.2027.	Stage 3 - F Leg 2 (final dates tbc)

*** The dates are subject to change by ETTU in case of any major change at the international TT calendar.

- 12.4. Teams qualified for the R16 must confirm their home matches to ETTU within 3 days following the completion of Stage 2 Draw via the Match Form.

Teams qualified for the QF must confirm their home matches to ETTU within 3 days following the completion of Stage 2 via Match Form.

- 12.5. For each home match with one opponent, the home team must fill in the Team Match Form, according to 12.4. The visiting team must reply on Team Match Form in 72 hours.

Home team in the form must fill in:

- match date and time
- playing venue and address
- equipment details
- accommodation and meals details
- transport details
- playing shirt colour

Visiting team in the form must fill in:

- acceptance or rejection accommodation and meals details
- travelling details of their team
- playing shirt colour

- 12.5. After receiving details from both clubs, ETTU will officially confirm the date and time of the match.

- 12.6. At Home-Away matches, a team match may start between 10:00 and 21:00 local time. A starting time outside this period must be agreed by ETTU.

13. ACCOMMODATION / HOSPITALITY / TRANSPORTATION / MEALS / VISAS

- 13.1. For team matches with one guest club:

In the Team Match Form the host club shall propose to their guest club a hotel of good standard (minimum three stars) and inform them about the room rates, which shall not be higher than the official rate of the hotel, and the hotel's website link.

In case the away club does not agree on the proposal, the away team is free to choose another hotel, and shall write that in Team Match Form.

Booking and payment of the hotel is the obligation of the away club.

The transport from and to the local airport or from and to the railway station (host club to decide if transport from and to the airport or from and to the railway station) to the hotel or to the playing hall and back must be provided free of charge by the home club.

If the visiting club delegation arrives / departs at different times / days where more than 1 transportation is needed, or if the delegation of a visiting team is superior to 6 and therefore more than 1 transportation is needed, then the visiting club shall reimburse the cost to the host for the additional transport(s).

The costs of additional transport shall be confirmed by the host to the visiting clubs without delay via Match form.

If the away team chooses another hotel than the one proposed by the host team, transportation (including transportation from the hotel to the playing venue and from the playing venue to the hotel) must be only taken over by the home team if the hotel's distance to the playing hall is not more than 5 km further away than the proposed hotel from the playing hall.

13.2. For the team matches with more than one guest club:

The same directive as laid down for the team matches with 1 club except that the host club shall make a complete hospitality package offer to their guest clubs and shall only guarantee transportation to the guest clubs in case the official package is used.

13.3. The Referee and umpires have to inform the host club without delay about their accommodation needs.

The host club shall book and take over the costs and shall arrange for their travel from and to the local airport or from and to the railway station to the hotel or to the playing hall and back, free of charge, and provide the umpire team with meals, free of charge.

13.4. For each match, the host club shall provide free hospitality and transportation from and to the playing venue and from and to the airport and railway station, for up to 2 days and nights for up to 3 ETTU / partner representatives, if requested.

13.5. For each match, the host club must provide up to 10 media accreditations (access to the venue and media area). ETTU will notify the club of the accredited persons.

13.6. The home club shall provide one main contact for organisational matters to the visiting club in order to arrange everything smoothly. This "team manager" shall be fluently speaking English.

13.7. The host club has to send to their guest club without delay an invitation letter including all needed details so that the delegation of the guest club is able to receive their visas (if needed) in due time.

14. COMPETITION HALLS, EQUIPMENT AND PLAYING CONDITIONS

14.1. There shall be a playing hall, with preferably a seating capacity of minimum 300 and which is large enough to accommodate one (1) playing court (table), in a playing area of 16,8 x 8,4m and at least 5 m high.

14.2. The home club has to put on disposal to their guest clubs a bench or chairs behind the playing court for 8 persons. Neither the home club nor the guest club can have more than 8 persons there.

14.3. All matches must be played on/with:

- ITTF approved Tables
- ITTF approved Floor
- ITTF approved Ball *
- ITTF approved Net

Each club shall notify ETTU the brands and colours of the table, net assembly, ball and flooring.

* *in case of an official ball sponsor, the official ball sponsor's balls must be used*

14.4. The light intensity shall not be less than 800 Lux over the table surface, and the remaining FoP not be less than 500 Lux.

14.5. The temperature in the playing area shall be between 18° C and 25° C.

- 14.6. Each club shall notify ETTU the colour of the playing clothing (2 sets of shirts).
For Stage 1 matches and Final 4, teams shall bring 2 sets of playing clothing (shirts), with a clear difference in the main colour, to use for the matches. In case 2 teams wish to use a shirt with no clear difference in colour and if there is no agreement between the teams, the Referee or umpire will draw the shirt to be used for each team by lot.
For the Home-Away matches the home club shall notify the visiting club of the colours of its playing clothing and the visiting team shall wear different colours.
- 14.7. The ECCM opts out of ITTF Regulations for International Competitions for advertisements on players' clothing to allow more space on clothing for advertisements.
Opting out is only for the sizes and total number of advertisements.
- 14.8. For all competition matches only A-boards or B-boards or LED panels must be used. No use of classic surrounds (C-boards).
If LEDs (Light emitting diodes) and similar devices are used on surrounds, these shall not be so bright as to disturb players during the match and shall not change when the ball is in play.
- 14.9. Background shall be kept dark.
- 14.10. The playing conditions must be checked by the Referee. Even in the case of disputes about the playing conditions, the clubs are obliged to play the match, which may be played under protest.
- 14.11. There shall be sufficient changing rooms (at least 3, 1 for each of the teams and 1 for the referee/umpires) of good standard.
- 14.12. Matches shall start at the designated time without delay.
- 14.13. Each club is recommended to have a Time-Out-Clock and shall provide it for the Referee at least 60 minutes before the match starts.
- 14.14. Home clubs must guarantee their guest clubs at least 10% of the seating capacity for spectators and upon request provide in advance information on purchasing price. (unless force majeure restriction).
- 14.15. A suitable speaker service must be provided in the playing hall, during the whole duration of the team match.
- 14.16. Teams must face the main camera during the presentation.

15. PRACTICE

Practice shall be arranged for the visiting teams under the same conditions as for the home team with the same equipment as used during the match.

16. REFEREE AND UMPIRES

- 15.1. For Stage 1 and Stage 2, ETTU, together with ETTU URC, will nominate a sufficient number of umpires together with 1 Referee.
- 15.2. For matches in Stage 3 until semi finals, the National Association of the home club must nominate at least three umpires (validated by ETTU URC). At least one of these umpires shall preferably be an International Umpire and shall fulfil the duties of the Referee.
- 15.3. For the semi-finals and finals ETTU URC will nominate two umpires and one Referee.
- 15.4. In emergency cases, other umpires present at the match may replace the missing nominated umpires, one of them taking over the duty as Referee. The host shall contact ETTU and ETTU must approve the "emergency
- 15.5. The appointed umpires shall receive free hospitality (every umpire is entitled for a single room and full board / meals), a daily allowance as defined below and shall also get their travel expenses reimbursed by the home club (by economy class train or plane, or by car at 40 euro cents per km plus eventual "toll" costs, and visa costs) shall be reimbursed by the home club either by bank transfer before the match or latest in cash upon arrival.

15.5. Daily allowance:

Referee :	150 €	per competition day
Gold or Blue Badge :	100 €	per competition day
White Badge :	60 €	per competition day
National Umpire :	40 €	per competition day

15.6. The nominated umpires have to arrange their travel to and from the playing hall / airport / railway station as soon as their nomination is received and to inform the home club without delay. The nominated umpires shall use the most economic transport (car, train or flight).

15.7. The appointed Referee has the following responsibilities:

- conduct the team match
- avoid early and late match start (punctual start)
- collect the team line up from both team captains latest 60 minutes before the first match starts
- send the team line-up (match order of play/pairings) to the designated WhatsApp group at least 45 minutes before the first match starts
- send information after the second match if there is any change in the fourth/fifth match
- send filled e-scoresheet latest 30 minutes after the match to following e-mail addresses:
 - result@ettu.org
 - club@ettu.org
 - competition@ettu.org
 - press@ettu.org
- In case of any changes on short notice (such as injuries, breaks, delays, etc.) the Referee shall also inform through the WhatsApp group any known information as soon as possible
- to set up the scoring application
- to do a venue check :
 - venue temperature
 - venue light on the FoP
 - FoP flooring
 - FoP surroundings

17. GENERAL COMMUNICATION

To guarantee a smooth running of the ETTU Europe Cup Men, all participating clubs must reply to all organisational and communication requests from ETTU latest within 48 hours. Every club must appoint one contact person who is fluent in English.

18. OFFICIAL MATCH PROTOCOL

- 18.1. The organisers (home teams) are responsible for the preparation and smooth running of their home matches.
- 18.2. Additional note: at European Club Competitions, no national anthems shall be played, nor country flags being hoisted.

19. MEDIA AND SPONSORSHIP

19.1. ETTU holds the following exclusive rights:

- the Title sponsorship rights
- any kind of Television transmission
- internet Broadband Streaming
- IPTV and Data & Scoring Rights (live, delayed and excerpts)
- mobile devices rights and Radio rights
- worldwide exclusive betting rights

19.2. Digital & Social Media

If clubs have their own social media accounts, clubs must share content, tag ETTU and send a collaboration request on all Europe Cup content. Use the following hashtag: #ETTUEuropeCup

ETTU selects on its own discretion which content will be posted or reposted on ETTU social media channels.

For every match, clubs must send the following footages:

- Team warm-up video
- Photo/video of venue (emotions, spectators, timelapse of venue filling up...)
- In-match footage (can be player celebrations, rallies, fan footage...)
- Post-match picture of winning team, include video of player comments/celebration.

Contents must be sent via "WeTransfer" to media@ettu.org

19.3. Guidelines for Content

English language captions (native language can also be added below)

High quality footage

Footage adapted to the platform that content is being shared on:

- Videos to be posted in 9x16 for reels, shorts, TikTok's and stories
- Post match player interview/comments to be sent in 16x9
- Photos to be posted preferably in 4x5 or 1x1

19.4. ETTU Official Channels

- Instagram: @ettu_official
- YouTube: @ettutvofficial
- Facebook: European Table Tennis Union
- LinkedIn: ETTU (European Table Tennis Union)
- TikTok: @ettu_official
- Douyin: @ettuofficial

19.5. Press & Photography

All clubs latest by 31.10.2026. must provide following :

- Professional headshots of all players, coach, club management, club logo and venue photo.
Players and coach should wear the official team shirt of the current season.
- Official team photo (with season kit).

Players headshots and official team photos must be submitted as PNG files with a transparent background and meet the following size requirements:

- Team photo size: 1256x320 px
- Individual player and coach photo size : 97x144 px
- Club Logo size : 80x75 px
- Team Management photo size : 128x128 px
- Venue photo size : 480x270 px

19.6. Team Selfie (winning team) :

The winning team must send a team selfie immediately after the match ends either by WhatsApp +49 170 638 1206 or by ETTU Social Media Channel or by email media@ettu.org

19.7. Additional Photos (starting from Quarter-Finals)

Any additional photos may also be sent to media@ettu.org.

ETTU reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to determine which of the submitted pictures will be published on its social media platforms and the timing of such publication.

20. LIVE STREAMING

20.1. Every host club must produce online streaming of its home matches according to the following ETTU streaming/technical requirements which includes an internet connection with a minimum dedicated upload bandwidth of 100 Mb/s

20.2. Reference how the main camera shall be placed:



This figure acts as an example. It is mandatory that the camera is positioned in a way that the backside of the table is visible.

20.3. Host club must send at least 14 days before the match contact details from the streaming provider.

20.4. Unauthorised streams (e.g. from TV broadcasters, production companies, spectators using their mobile phones, etc.) as well as unauthorised tickering must be stopped by the organisers (pre-announced production teams are also allowed to stop unauthorised streaming and tickering). Organisers must also inform their supporters about this fact.

20.5. Camera view must show only the Field of Play (playing table, surrounding boards, umpire table and chairs). No elements outside the FoP should be visible in the broadcast frame, including practice tables, benches, venue furniture, etc.

20.6. If the venue does not allow a clean FoP-only camera frame, the club must cover the background - for example with dark curtains or the official ETTU media backdrop

20.7. Teams must face main camera during presentations

20.8. ETTU's partner will contact each host club on streaming requirements in due time.

21. VIP

21.1. If requested, the Organising Club* shall provide ETTU with five (5) VIP entry tickets (free of charge) for ETTU representatives, their guests, partners, sponsors, suppliers, etc.

21.2. There shall be a special VIP-room, where drinks and snacks are served to honorary guests, sponsors, suppliers, etc., free of charge.

22. 2nd LEG OF FINAL MATCH, WINNERS CEREMONY AND AWARDS

22.1. For the 2nd final match, the host team must produce on its own cost a backdrop with the title sponsor (if any), ETTU and host club's sponsors logos for interviews and for the award ceremony. Backdrop dimensions: 4m length x 2,2m height

The host for the 2nd final match must also produce on its own cost an ETTU floor sticker to be displayed on the floor of the field of play next to the table.

The financial contribution to the host of the final (second leg) is 1000€.

- 22.2. There shall be a winner's ceremony at the end of the Final (second leg). with a podium or arrangement (for 14 persons) according to the ETTU award ceremony script.
- 22.3. After the 2nd final match, the winner shall receive the appropriate trophy, the winner and the runner-up shall receive medals by ETTU.

23. PRIZE MONEY

ETTU will pay out a prize money of 8.000€ in total. The distribution of the prize money for each position is as follows:

- Winner: 4.000 €
- Runner-up: 2.500 €
- Losing semi-finalists: 750 € each

24. STAGE 1 and STAGE 2

ETTU will open the bidding process for organizers of the Stage 1 and Stage 2 tournaments. In the bidding application ETTU will describe all necessary requirements which clubs who wish to organize that competitions needs to fulfill.

The financial contribution to host the Stage 1 is 250€ per group.

25. PENALTY CATALOGUE

- 25.1. A club violating the ITTF Laws, the ETTU Constitution, the ETTU Regulations or the ETTU Directives may be disqualified from the competition and will be financially fined. A team which has refused to continue the match until its end, played with an incomplete team or failed to play the match at all may be fined up ten thousand
- 25.2. A team whose players, coaches or officials during or in connection with a match have behaved in a way that the table tennis sport has been brought into disrepute may be financially fined and a ban can be imposed on the players, coaches or officials for the following match(es).
- 25.3. A club withdrawing its team from the ECC after the exit possibility but before the draw, will be fined one thousand (1.000) €.
- A club withdrawing its team from the ECC after the draw will be fined three thousand (3.000) €.
- Clubs which, in the previous season of the ETTU Club Competitions Women, have withdrawn or failed to compete in one or more scheduled matches shall not be accepted for registration in the following season.
- Furthermore, such clubs shall not receive any European Club Competition Ranking points from that season, nor any bonus support or prize money related to their participation in that season.
- In cases of duly justified force majeure, the ETTU may, at its sole discretion, grant an exception and allow the club's participation and/or entitlement to the above.
- 25.4. A club not fulfilling the duties to offer meals or transportation will be fined five hundred (500) € for each
- 25.5. Media, Marketing & Content Obligations**
- Clubs participating in the EECW must comply with the media, marketing, branding and content requirements set out in Article 18 and 19 of these Directives.
- Failure to comply with these requirements will result in the following penalties:
- 25.5.1. A club failing to submit by 31 October 2026 the required media materials (professional headshots of all players, coach and team management, official team photo, club logo and venue photo) in the required format and specifications will be fined one hundred (100) €. If the missing or non-compliant material has still not been received within fourteen (14) days after the deadline, the club will be fined an additional one hundred (100).
- 25.5.2. A club failing to provide their winning team selfie within one (1) hour after the team match ends, will be fined fifty (50) € on each occasion.

25.4. Marketing, Branding & Field of Play Obligations

Failure to comply with the marketing, branding and Field of Play requirements set out in Article 18 and 19 of these Directives will result in the following penalties:

- 25.4.1. If a Title Sponsor is confirmed, a host club not installing the required Title Sponsor floor sticker in the designated position on the Field of Play will be fined two thousand (2000) € for each disregard.
- 25.4.2. A club placing unauthorised floor stickers or advertising on the Field of Play without prior written approval from ETTU, or placing floor stickers exceeding the permitted number, size or location as defined in the Directives, will be fined five hundred (500) € for each disregard.
- 25.4.3. A host club failing to prevent unauthorised streaming or broadcasting of the match on channels or platforms under its control, including streams produced or published by the club itself or by third parties acting on its behalf without prior approval from ETTU, will be fined five hundred (500) € for each disregard.
- 25.5. A club whose players fail to observe Directives concerning advertisements on players' clothing may be fined up to two (2) thousand (2,000) €
- 25.6. A club failing to fulfil the obligations regarding the production of live streaming (e.g. sufficient and stable internet connection, camera/working position) will be fined as follows: lower internet connection during a match, as laid down in the directives (and not sufficient connectivity for live streaming), two hundred (200) € per each occasion.
- 25.7. A club failing to make a prompt and reasonable financial settlement with an opposing club will be fined five hundred (500) € for each disregard.
- 25.8. A club using different equipment as confirmed in the Match Form will be fined as follows for each disregard:
 - 25.8.1. Balls: one thousand (1.000) €
 - 25.8.2. Table: one thousand (1.000) €
 - 25.8.3. Net: two hundred (200) €The following fines on wrong equipment use will be imposed on each disregard:
 - 25.8.4. Stage 1 and Stage 2 host not using A-boards, B-boards, or LED panels: five hundred (500) €
 - 25.8.5. A Club failing to have ITTF approved flooring at their home match will be fined five hundred (500) €.
- 25.9. A club failing to send invitation to the opponent team on time will be fined two hundred (200) € on each occasion.
- 25.10. A club failing to answer to ETTU requests in due time (within 48 hours) will be fined one hundred (100) € on each occasion.
- 25.11. A Club failing to conduct official Live Scoring through the official ETTU Live Scoring application at its home match will be fined five hundred (500) € for each infringement.
- 25.12. Any contravention of the Penalty Catalogue shall be submitted to the ETTU Club Competition Official for validation. Following validation, the corresponding fines will be communicated to the club concerned, with a copy sent to its Member Association.

In cases where the Penalty Catalogue provides for a fine up to a specified maximum amount (i.e. no fixed amount) or where no specific amount is indicated, the notification will be accompanied by an explanatory note outlining the reasoning for the level of the fine imposed.
- 25.13. The ETTU Club Competition Official may reduce the amounts of fines or withdraw the fines as laid down in the Penalty Catalogue for valid or force majeure reasons.
- 25.14. Further contraventions, not specified above, to the Regulations and Directives may also be fined by the ETTU Club Competition Official.

26. JURISDICTION

- 26.1. A club wishing to protest about any aspect of the ECCW shall send this protest, together with all relevant details, by e-mail to the ETTU Secretariat (registration@ettu.org), within two (2) days of the occurrence of the situation giving rise to the protest. No protest shall be accepted after this deadline.
- 26.2. The ETTU Club Competition Official has to take a decision concerning a protest as soon as possible after the protest has been received and the necessary hearing and investigations have been concluded.
- 26.3. A club wishing to protest against a decision of either the ETTU Club Competition Official or of the Secretary General shall send this protest, together with the relevant details, including reasoning, by e-mail via the ETTU Secretariat to the ETTU Board of Appeal within 8 days after the receipt of the decision. No protest shall be accepted after this deadline.
- 26.4. The costs of the procedure of the ETTU Board of Appeal shall include the actual expenses and the protest fee of one thousand (1.000) €. This latter fee shall be paid into the ETTU bank account and has to be received by the ETTU within eight (8) days of the submission of the case otherwise the protest is not accepted and the ETTU Club Competition Official or Secretary General decision remains final.
- 26.5. The ETTU Board of Appeal shall inform the opposing or accused party (parties) within thirty (30) days of the case lodging. The decision of the ETTU Board of Appeal shall be final on ETTU level.
- 26.6. At the time of making a protest to the Club Competition Official, the protesting club shall pay to the ETTU bank account a fee of five hundred (500) € per case, to be received within 8 days, which will be refunded if the protest is not upheld or if the contested sentence is cancelled.
- 26.7. At the time of making an appeal against a decision taken by either the Club Competition Official or by the Secretary General, to the Board of Appeal, the appealing club shall send to the ETTU bank account a fee of one thousand (1.000) € per case, which will be refunded if the appeal is not upheld or if the contested sentence is cancelled.
- 26.8. In case of any appeal against the decision of the ETTU Board of Appeal at the Court of Arbitration for Sports shall be made within 14 days of the notification of the decision of the ETTU Board of Appeal, which should be communicated to the ETTU Secretariat.
- 26.9. An appeal shall have no delaying effect, except for financial matters and fines.

27. PRIVACY POLICY

By registering and entering the ETTU Club Competition, each registered and entered person agrees and gives his/her consent to the ETTU Privacy Policy as laid down on the ETTU website (<https://www.ettu.org/privacy-policy/>).

28. FORCE MAJEURE

In case of "force majeure"*, the ETTU Executive Board may decide, after consultation with the Club Competition Official, Competition Director and the Secretary General, on any amendment to the general organisation and planning of the European Club Competitions. Such an amendment may also come into force during the season
*Force majeure is extended to the well-being and safety of all involved parties including the need to guarantee the best possible continuation of the EECM.

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