

EUROPEAN QUALIFICATION FOR YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES



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1. DEFINITION

1.1 European Qualification for the 2010 Youth Olympic Games (hereinafter referred to as EQYOG) shall be played in the period 1 January 2010 to 30 March 2010 and the event shall include men's singles and women's singles.

1.2 EQYOG shall be played over three days as a separate event.

1.3 The top 5 (five) ranked players in each of the two events shall be invited to play at the 2010 Youth Olympic Games (hereinafter referred to as YOG), taking place in Singapore from 15-19 August 2010.

1.4 After having reached the in regulation 1.2 mentioned criteria, the player must be selected by his/her NOC to compete at YOG.

1.5 Any places becoming available because a qualified player is not selected by his/her NOC will go to the next eligible player in the same event.

2. PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS

2.1 Any Member Association may apply to stage the EQYOG and such application shall be sent to Badminton Europe.

2.2 The allocation of the EQYOG shall be made by Council at a date of its choosing. Member Associations must be given at least four months notice of this date.

3. RIGHTS

All commercial, television, Internet, webcasting, audio, film and other rights of like nature at all venues, and other rights associated primarily with the event shall belong exclusively to Badminton Europe. In determining the financial arrangements at each venue with the organising Member Association, Badminton Europe may grant licences and concessions in respect of such rights, including the direct grant of all or part of such rights to the organising Member Association and/or commercial organisations.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES & FINANCE

4.1 Council shall allocate responsibility for hosting the EQYOG on organisational, financial and commercial terms and conditions it agrees with the hosting Member Association.

4.2 A sanction fee shall not be charged by Badminton Europe.

4.3 The promoting organisation shall effect a public liability policy up to a limit of EURO 650.000,- (sixhundredfiftythousand), or any other limit/or currency as may be defined by the Council, which will provide an indemnity for all sums which the promoting organisation shall become legally liable

to pay as compensation for accidental bodily injury to any person or accidental loss of or damage to property happening during the course of the Tournament.

4.4 Every Member Association taking part in the EQYOG shall be responsible for all expenses incurred by its players and officials including travel, hotel accommodation and other expenses.

4.5 Participating organisations are advised that insurance specified in Regulation 4.3 does not cover any losses resulting from theft of personal goods or illness or accident of players and officials in case where those losses cannot be connected with the events that are caused by the Tournament or its organisers. It is recommended that the associations of players cover these risks in a separate assurance policy.

4.6 An entry fee shall be paid for each competitor in the two events. The entry fees shall be Euro 30,- per player.

4.7 The organising Association is exempted from paying an entry fee for their participating players.

4.8 If a player withdraws from the EQYOG for any reason whatsoever and is not replaced, the Member Association entering the player shall make a payment of EURO 50,- to Badminton Europe.

5. GENERAL ORGANISATION

5.1 Council shall be responsible for the organisation of the EQYOG.

5.2 The competition shall be conducted in accordance with the Laws of badminton and all appropriate Competition Regulations as adopted by the BWF and/or Badminton Europe.

5.3 The Referee and Deputy Referee(s) shall be appointed by Council.

5.4 Umpires shall be appointed by Council. The promoting association shall be offered the opportunity to apply to provide a number of suitably qualified umpires and service judges up to a maximum of one third of the number required for the event.

5.5 Council shall appoint a Committee of Management of at least four persons, of whom two shall be members of the Badminton Europe Events Committee, and one shall be nominated by the organiser. In addition, the Referee shall be member of this Committee. The Committee of Management shall be in overall charge of the competition.

6. FILING OF ENTRIES

6.1 Not later than four months before the date of the EQYOG, Badminton Europe shall send to all Member Associations an invitation to compete.

6.2 Entries may be submitted only by Member Associations and shall be sent so as to reach the address quoted in the letter of invitation not later than the closing date notified in the invitation.

6.3 Member Associations are eligible to enter one player in each of the two events.

6.4 Council shall have the power to reject an entry:

6.4.1 containing a condition unresolved at the time of the draw;

6.4.2 considered against the interest of the competition or the game; or

6.4.3 made by an Association which is in arrears with payment of subscriptions or which has any other indebtedness to Badminton Europe.

7. SEEDING

7.1 Seeding shall be done by Badminton Europe, using the European Junior Ranking. The date of the seeding shall be listed in the invitation.

8. SUBSTITUTIONS

8.1 After the closing date for entries but before the draw is made, a player who has entered may be unable to take part through illness, injury, or other unavoidable cause. That player's place can be taken by a player from the same Member Association.

8.2 After the draw is made, a player who has entered may be unable to take part through illness, injury, or other unavoidable cause. That player's place can be taken by a player from the same Member Association, but only if this player is ranked lower on the European Junior Ranking than the originally entered player.

9. ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE

9.1 Participation shall be restricted to players in good standing with their Member Associations and a player's eligibility to compete shall be in accordance with BWF Competition Regulations 8.2 to 8.4. Players are eligible provided they are born in either 1992 or 1993.

9.2 Acceptance of nomination for entry to the EQYOG shall count as international representation as described in BWF Competition Regulation 8.3.

10. DRAW & TIMETABLE

10.1 The draw shall be made in accordance with the BWF Competition Regulation paragraph 12.

10.2 The tournament shall be played in a group stage with the top 2 (two) players in each group progressing to a simple knock-out draw. Consolation play off will be played to find the top 12 (twelve) ranked players in each of the events.

11. PLAYING OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

11.1 Member Associations shall be responsible for ensuring that the players entered by them fulfil their obligations.

11.2 In default, such Association:

11.2.1 will not be entitled to receive any monies due to it.

11.3 Council shall have the power to declare the offending Association ineligible for the next EQYOG.

12. CLOTHING REGULATIONS

12.1 For the purpose of these Regulations, an article of clothing shall be defined as anything worn or carried by a player during play, except the racket, and including, but not limited to, pullovers, shirts, shorts, skirts, socks, shoes, headbands, towels, wristbands, bandages and medical supports.

12.2 In order to ensure attractive presentation of badminton at the event all clothing worn by players shall be acceptable badminton sports clothing. It is not acceptable to tape over or to pin neither on advertising nor in any other way to modify such clothing to comply with advertising or other regulations.

12.3 Colour of players clothing's;

12.3.1 In all matches it is mandatory that the opposing players wear different colours from each other.

12.4 Design on players clothing's;

12.4.1 Abstract designs are permitted when devoid of advertising, commercial or promotional content.

12.4.2 The front of the shirt may carry the flag or national emblem of the association represented.

12.4.3 A design is allowed when it forms part of an advert permitted by Regulation 13 and falls wholly within the permitted dimensions.

12.5 Colour, style and height of lettering;

12.5.1 Lettering shall be in capital letters in the Roman alphabet, and in one single colour contrasting with that of the shirt.

12.5.2 If there is a pattern on the back of the shirt, the lettering should be on a contrasting panel.

12.5.3 In order that lettering be legible from a distance for spectators in the stadium and television viewers, lettering must be a minimum height of 6 centimetres and a maximum height of 10 centimetres.

12.5.4 Lettering should be horizontal, or as close to horizontal as practically possible, and placed near the top of the shirt.

12.6 Player names;

12.6.1 The player's name shall include the family name (or an abbreviation thereof) and, if desired, the initials of the given name(s) or nickname and shall correspond with the name on the entry.

12.6.2 The name of the player on the back of the shirt is optional.

12.7 Association names;

12.7.1 The name of the player's association on the back of the shirt is optional.

12.8 Lettering sequence;

12.8.1 The sequence on the shirt from top to bottom shall be player name (if present), association name (if present), and then advert (if present).

13. ADVERTISING ON PLAYERS' CLOTHING

13.1 Articles of clothing may only have advertising as provided in Regulations 13.2 to 13.5.

13.2 The shirt may carry advertising as in Regulations 13.2.1 to 13.2.2.

13.2.1 Advertisements may appear on the following locations: left sleeve, right sleeve, left collar, right collar, front of shirt. Each advertisement must be 20 square centimetres or less, and there must be no more than three in total and only one per location; and

13.2.2 Advertising contained in a band of uniform width not exceeding 10 centimetres; such a band may be at any angle and may be on the front of the shirt, the back of the shirt, or both.

13.2.3 If, in the Referee's sole judgment, there is a clash between the content of the advertising in Regulation 13.2.2 and the event sponsors or the TV broadcasters, or if the content of the advertising would infringe local laws or be considered offensive, then the Referee may limit advertising on the shirt to Regulation 13.2.1.

13.3 Other Clothing;

13.3.1 Each sock and each shoe may carry two advertisements provided each advert is 20 square centimetres or less. 2

13.3.2 Each other article of clothing may carry one advertisement of 20 square centimetres or less.

13.4 The advertisements in Regulations 13.2 and 13.3 may be the clothing manufacturer's emblem or that of any sponsor.

13.5 Member Association advertising;

13.5.1 Member Associations may use an area not exceeding fifty square centimetres on their players' shorts or lower part of dresses or skirts.

13.5.2 The area shall typically be used for a Member Association's logo or an advert for a Member Association's sponsor.

13.5.3 The advertisement must be the same on the shorts or skirts of all players from any one Member Association.

13.5.4 Any Member Association wishing to use this type of advertising must have written permission from Badminton Europe for doing so.

14. ARRANGEMENTS FOR VENUES

The Committee of Management shall approve:

14.1 the venue, which shall provide sufficient courts according to the Specifications for International Play;

14.2 one brand of shuttlecock to be used exclusively;

15. RESPONSIBILITY OF REFEREE

15.1 The responsibilities of the Referee in this competition are:

15.1.1 to be in charge of the competition;

15.1.2 to ensure that the stipulated procedure and order of play is adhered to and that all players comply with the Regulations for play;

15.1.3 to make decision on any matter upon appeal being made by a Team Manager;

15.1.4 to uphold the laws of badminton and regulations relevant for the competition:

15.2 the Referee is required to send a written report to Badminton Europe no later than two weeks after the completion of the event.

16. TEAM MANAGER

16.1 Each Member Association concerned shall appoint a Manager of its player(-s) at least fourteen days before the commencement of the Championships.

16.2 In default of such appointment, a player shall forthwith choose its own Manager.

16.3 As soon as appointed, the name of the Manager shall be notified to the Badminton Europe.

16.4 From the time of arrival at the venue, the Manager shall assume all administrative and other responsibilities on behalf of the relevant Member Association and players in connection with the conduct of the Competition.

16.5 The Team Manager shall attend any briefing meeting called by the Referee.

17. AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS

Council has power on behalf of Badminton Europe to make and publish amendments to these Regulations.