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European U-14 Circuit Cup

Dear Member Federation,

Upon the decision of the EFC Congress held on June 16, 2022, in Antalya the project

"European U14 Circuit" will start in the season 2022 – 2023.

All national federations, the members of the EFC, are invited to present their proposals for competitions to be included in the EFC U14 Calendar 2022 – 2023.

The modality and regulations will be soft in the first edition of the project and obtained results and experiences will be used at defining more precise rules and regulations in the season 2023 – 2024.

Based on the survey organized in 2020 and some experiences from the pilot operation of the project gained in previous seasons, the following principles should be considered:

- Respecting the low age of participants it is expected that fencers will not travel long distances and will look for competitions rather in their neighbourhood. Therefore, no limitations of competition per country and weapon are applied.
- 2) More than one tournament in the same weapon can be organized in the country interested to hold them, to emphasize point 1.
- 3) EFC U14 ranking will be computed from the overall calendar where only 3 competitions will be taken into account.
- 4) The European U14 Championships will be organised by the end of the season in 3 different cities, thus using only 3 weekend days.
- 5) All inscriptions of fencers and referees have to be made by the national federations. Whereas every participant must have the EFC license (see EFC Statutes ARTICLE 3.2 COMPULSORY CHARACTER OF LICENCE). In case, the EFC is still able to assist the administration of entries by clubs if the federation's offices would feel overcharged.



- 6) There is only one restriction: for U14 Calendar only tournaments containing both genders, girls and boys, can be proposed. However, the proposed tournament can contain one or several weapons according to the decision of the organisers.
- 7) Results, generally with details from all U14 tournaments, will be available at EFC website: https://www.eurofencing.info/competitions/latest-results
- 8) The tournaments will be open to participants from any country in the World but only member clubs from Europe can apply for competition organization.
- 9) When a competition is finished organizer can upload results files (XML and pdf) or ask for assistance from the EFC STD if needed.
- 10) One photo of the podium of each competition can be uploaded once the competition is finished.
- 11) No EFC prescribed detailed formula will be defined at this stage. However, it is recommended to run all competitions with one or two rounds of pools followed by the table of direct elimination.
- 12) The EFC U14 ranking will be calculated using only a simple FIE scale from 32 points (the first place in the final placement) to 1 point (places in T 128) without any multiplication. Only fencers qualified from the round of pools can be awarded points in the ranking.

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