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# **EUROPEAN ACROBATIC GYMNASTICS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS**

## **SENIORS & JUNIORS**

# **REGULATIONS**

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## ABREVIATIONS

FIG	International Gymnastics Federation
UEG	European Union of Gymnastics
EC	Executive Committee of the UEG
NF	National Federation
GA	General Assembly
TC-ACRO	Technical Committee for Acrobatic Gymnastics
OC	Organising Committee
MP	Men's Pair
WP	Women's Pair
MXP	Mixed Pair
MG	Men's Group
WG	Women's Group

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## **I. GENERAL REGULATIONS**

### **Art. 1 Organisation and name**

The European Union of Gymnastics (UEG) organises through its affiliated federations the following competitions.

#### **1.1 European Acrobatic Gymnastics Team Championships (EATC) for Seniors and Juniors in the categories:**

- Men's Pair
- Women's Pair
- Mixed Pairs
- Women's Group
- Men's Group

**1.1.1** The technical regulations for the competition for seniors and juniors will be in accordance with the FIG Code of Points, Tables of difficulty and Technical Regulations current at the time of the event, unless otherwise stated in this document

**1.1.2** Difficulty will be restricted for junior competitors. The range of difficulty allowed will be published in the work plan.

**1.1.3** Elements banned by FIG for juniors will not be allowed.

#### **1.2 Age**

Seniors: minimum age 15 years.

Juniors: 12 years to 19 years.

There must be no more than 6 [six] years difference between partners.

### **Art. 2 Right to participate**

The EATC is open to gymnasts of all national federations affiliated to the UEG that have fully settled their financial obligations with the UEG.

### **Art. 3 Assignment and organisation period**

On receipt of an application to the UEG, the National Federations will receive the official Application Forms. The EC/UEG selects the most suitable candidate after a thorough examination of the applicants.

The Championships are organised in the second half of the competition year (even years). The dates are set by EC/UEG in collaboration with the TC-ACRO.

### **Art. 4 Terms of participation**

#### **4.1 Right of participation and size of delegations**

All UEG member federations are entitled to participate in both senior and junior events. Gymnasts may only compete in one event and one category.

The maximum size of a delegation per event [Senior and Junior] is as follows:

Head of Delegation	1
Team Manager	1
Coaches	2
Acrobats	1 team that has to be composed of: 1 Group [men or women] and 2 Pairs, which may be of the same or different category.
Doctor	1
Physiotherapist	1
Judges	2 (with the appropriate FIG brevet and excluding any Chair appointed by the Acrobatic Gymnastics Technical Committee). Minimum number per team is 1 Judge

## **Art 5 Entry application**

The inscriptions of the members of the delegations have to be carried out by the respective UEG member federation.

### **5.1 Official forms**

Applications for entry must be made by using official entry forms sent by the UEG Secretariat to all gymnastic NFs in Europe recognised by the UEG within the time limit established.

### **5.2 Dates**

The UEG Secretariat according to the following timetable must receive entry applications:

#### **5.2.1 Provisional inscription**

Five months prior to the beginning of the competitions.

#### **5.2.2 Definitive inscription**

Three months prior to the beginning of the competitions.

The UEG Secretariat must receive the names of the judges made available to the UEG as well as the entry fees three months prior to the competitions.

#### **5.2.3 Nominal inscription**

The UEG Secretariat must receive the list of the gymnasts' names and of judges no later than three weeks prior to the beginning of the Championships.

The list must include:

- the surname and Christian name of the participants,
- the date of birth (day, month, year) of the gymnasts.

#### **5.2.4 Sanctions**

Sanctions will be applied if the different deadlines are not respected or if a federation does not participate in a UEG event without prior notice.

### **5.2.5 Changes to the gymnasts' list of names**

In exceptional circumstances, the President of the TC ACRO may agree to changes to the list of names mentioned in articles 5.2.2 and 5.2.3 above. A written request may be forwarded up to 24 hours before the beginning of the competition, unless the work plan sets other conditions.

## **5.3 Accreditations**

The organisers verify the identity of the participants who have to present their passport upon arrival at the competition venue. Afterwards, each participant will receive an official accreditation.

### **5.3.1 Accreditation of additional coaches**

Federations may require the Organiser to accredit up to two personal coaches at the maximum at the federation's expense. During the competition, seats will be at the disposal of these personal coaches in the area reserved for non-competing gymnasts, it being understood that the Organiser has the right to claim payment for these places. The names of personal coaches proposing to use this facility must be notified to the UEG Secretariat at the time of the definitive registration.

## **II. TECHNICAL ORGANISATION**

### **Art 6 Technical Organisation**

#### **Competition I**

**6.1** The first round will comprise of Balance and Dynamic exercise.

**6.2** The total scores of all team members will be totalled and the result will determine the start order for the final round.

#### **Competition II**

**6.3** Combined exercise, scores for all team members will be added with the scores from Competition I the team with the highest score will be declared European Team Champions.

#### **6.4 Tie breaking rules**

In case of tie at any place, the tie will be broken as follows:

- 1) The highest sum in the Combined exercise of the 2 pairs and the group.
- 2) The highest execution and artistic sum in the Combined exercise of the 2 pairs and the group.
- 3) The highest execution sum in the Combined exercise of the 2 pairs and the group.
- 4) If the tie remains, those teams concerned take the same place.

### **Art. 7 Competition time table**

The event will normally be over two [2] days and the format will be as follows:

Day 1 First round [Balance and Dynamic Exercise] all Teams participate

Day 2 Second round [Combined Exercise]

The timetable for training and the competition will be declared in the work-plan. For organisational purposes the programme may vary.

### **Art. 8 Special Regulations**

If necessary, special regulations will be published in the work-plan.

### **Art. 9 Technical Tasks**

The technical organisation and the running of the EATC are entrusted to the TC-ACRO/UEG. In case of necessity, the TC-ACRO can designate persons who are not members of the TC-ACRO in order to accomplish special tasks.

### **Art. 10 The Juries and Judging Panels**

**10.1** All judges appointed for the EATC must hold a current and appropriate FIG brevet for the event.

**10.2** Federations with qualified FIG Brevet Judges MUST present a minimum of one judge. If they fail to comply, the Federation has to pay a fine, in accordance with the TR/FIG.

**10.3** When a Federation has only Category IV judges, following written request, the TC-ACRO/UEG may allow ONE Category IV judge from the federation.

**10.4** The superior jury, jury of appeal, and judges' panels are composed in accordance with the FIG Technical Regulations and Code of Points.

**10.5** In the event of extraordinary and unforeseen circumstances, the TC-ACRO/UEG will make any necessary decisions.

## **III. RANKING AND PRIZES**

### **Art. 11 Title of European ACRO Team Championships**

The winners of the overall competition shall receive the title European Team Champions or in the case of junior competitors, Junior European Team Champions.

### **Art. 12 Medals and award ceremonies**

Procedures for medal presentations will be given in the work plan and may vary according to the competition structure.

**12.1** Teams will receive:

first place	gold medal and a diploma
second place	a silver medal and a diploma

third place	a bronze medal and a diploma
fourth	a diploma

**12.2** The organisation of award ceremonies has to comply with the valid FIG Regulations. Modifications by the UEG are possible.

**12.3** Before the commencement of the competitions, the EC-UEG representative, in agreement with the TC-ACRO President, will establish the list of persons designated to present the awards, medals and diplomas.

**12.4** The OC and the organising NF may propose other personalities for the presentation of medals.

### **Art. 13 Documentation, list of results and list of finalists**

**13.1** Representatives of the UEG, the media and respective Head of Delegations will receive provisional results during the competition.

**13.2** At the end of the competition the people mentioned in 13.1 will receive a complete and comprehensive copy of the results.

## **IV. FUNCTIONS OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE**

### **Art 14 Obligations and tasks of the organising NF**

All obligations and services of the organising NF, as well as those of the UEG as the responsible institution, are previously fixed in a contract.

#### **14.1 Tasks**

The UEG entrusts all tasks in relation with the planning, preparation, organisation and realisation of the event to the national organising federation.

#### **14.2 Creation of an Organising Committee**

The organising federation creates an OC, which will be in charge of all organisational tasks. The OC works at the competition venue.

#### **14.3 Obligations of the Organising Committee**

The OC works on the basis of the contract signed between the UEG and the organising federation. The OC is subordinate to the NF and has to respect its directives.

The principal tasks of the OC, when preparing and realising the event, is to organise the perfect running

- of the competitions
- of the training provision
- of the judges' and other meetings of the UEG, the OC, the TC-ACRO etc.
- of the opening, closing and award ceremonies
- of other events (invitations, receptions).

Further tasks the OC has to carry out during the event, such as

- work with the press and public relations
  - transport
  - welcome, accommodation
  - marketing of the event
  - presentation of the sponsors
- etc. is mentioned in the contract signed between the UEG and the NF.

The OC will get all necessary support of the UEG, the TC-ACRO and of the NF.

The OC commits itself to comply with

- the UEG regulations for the EATC
- the contract signed between the UEG and the NF
- the existing FIG regulations, as far as they are applicable to this event
- the UEG directives on the publicity and marketing of UEG events
- the agreement FIG-UEG regarding the medical service and the doping-controls.

## **V. FINANCIAL MATTERS AND OBLIGATIONS**

### **Art. 15 Financial obligations of the organiser**

Upon receipt of the forms to be used by the candidate, the organiser has to submit a financial programme. By the assignment of the event by the EC-UEG and the resulting contract, the financial obligations of the partners will be fixed.

### **Art. 16 Financial obligations of the participating NF**

The participating NF shall pay for the travelling and accommodation expenses (including meals) of their delegations.

The organising NF, respectively the OC, is authorised to request a down payment (at least 50% of these expenses) from all participating NF.

After discussion with the TC-ACRO, the organising NF is authorised to refuse inscriptions of NF not having paid the down payment within the deadline fixed by the OC.

The organising NF must inform the participating federations on the terms of payment.

## **VI. SUNDRY PROVISIONS**

### **Art. 17 Unforeseen matters**

UEG Statutes and FIG Technical Regulations will apply in relation to matters not provided for in the present Regulations. If an extraordinary situation should arise, the UEG delegate, in agreement with the President of the TC-ACRO, will take any decisions deemed necessary.

