



MOTION ADOPTED AT THE 2010 GENERAL ESF CONGRESS Antalya, Turkey

Subject : NEW STRUCTURE OF COMPETITIONS

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FORMAT OF COMPETITIONS

09.01.01.

For European Championships the following format shall apply:

Number of Teams Playing:	4 – 16	17 – 20	21 – 28	29 – 32	33 – 40
Championship "A"	4 – 16	12	16	16	16
Championship "B"	n/a	5 – 8	5 – 12	8	12
Championship "B"	n/a	n/a	n/a	5 – 8	5 – 12

09.01.01.01. If no less than four and no more than **sixteen** teams subscribe, these will be allocated in one Division :
- a European Championship "A", with all registered teams .

09.01.01.02. If **seventeen to twenty** teams subscribe, these will be allocated between two Divisions :
- a European Championship "A", with a maximum of **twelve** teams and
- a European Championship "B", with the remaining number of teams.

09 01.01.03. If **twenty-one to twenty-eight** teams subscribe, these will be allocated between two Divisions :
- a European Championship "A", with a maximum of **sixteen** teams and
- a European Championship "B", with the remaining number of teams.

09.01.01.04. If **twenty-nine to thirty-two** teams subscribe, these will be allocated between three Divisions :
- a European Championship "A", with a maximum of **sixteen** teams,
- a European Championship "B", with a maximum of eight teams and
- a European Championship "C", with the remaining number of teams.

09.01.01.05. If **thirty-three to forty** teams subscribe, these will be allocated between three Divisions :
- a European Championship "A", with a maximum of **sixteen** teams,
- a European Championship "B", with a maximum of **twelve** teams and
- a European Championship "C", with the remaining number of teams.

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PROMOTION AND RELEGATION

09.02. Promotion and relegation of teams occur in the following cases:

09.02.01 As a consequence of the final standing of a team in Competition: the two last ranked teams of Division A are relegated to Division B and the two first ranked teams of Division B are promoted to Division A;

09.02.01.02 Such promotions and relegations take effect immediately after the completion of the Competition.

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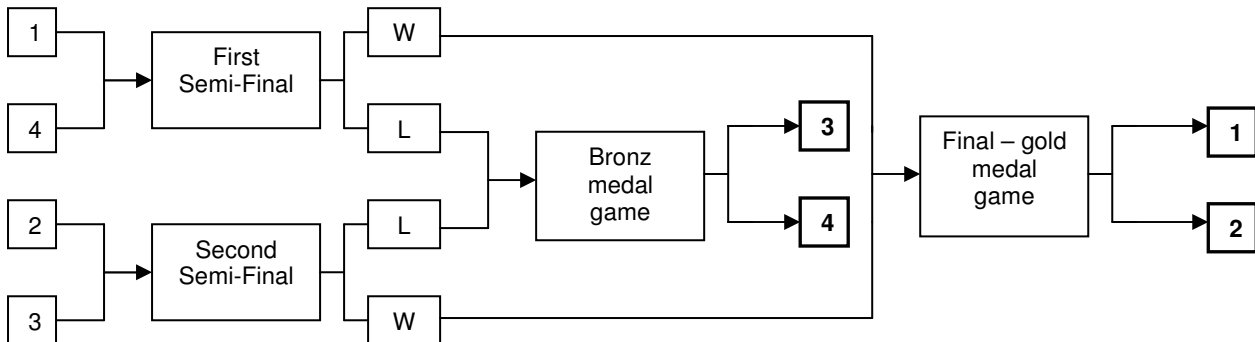


COMPETITIONS SYSTEM

10.01. All European Competitions shall be concluded by the following "cross play off" system.

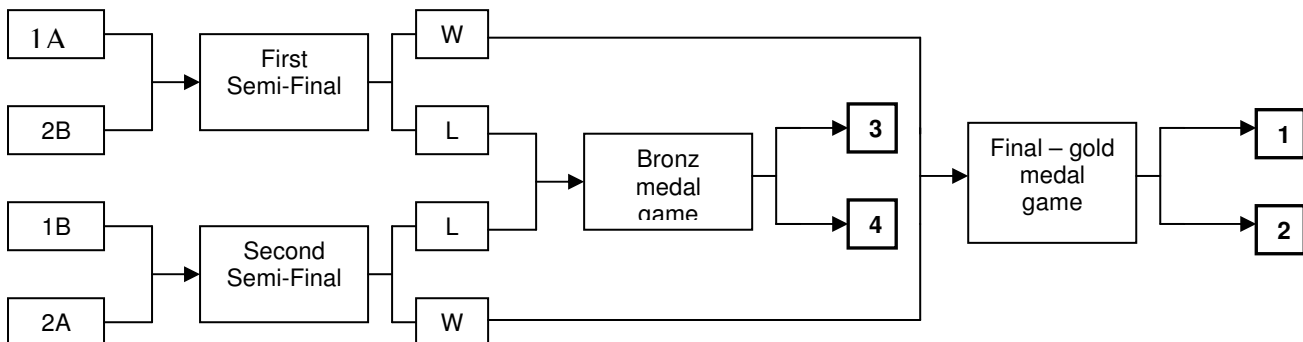
10.01.01. Cross play off from one pool.

If "cross play off" is scheduled only from one pool, the semifinals will be following. The first ranked team will play with fourth ranked team **first semifinal**. The second ranked team will play with third ranked team **second semifinal**. The losers of the semifinals will play **bronze medal game**. The winners of the semifinals will play **final – gold medal game**.



10.01.02. Cross play off from two quarterfinal pools.

If "cross play off" is scheduled from two quarterfinal pools, the semifinals will be following. The first ranked team of quarterfinal pool A will play with second ranked team of quarterfinal pool B **first semifinal**. The first ranked team of quarterfinal pool B will play with second ranked team of quarterfinal pool A **second semifinal**. The losers of the semifinals will play **bronze medal game**. The winners of the semifinals will play **final – gold medal game**.



10.02. Qualification to the **Cross Play Off** System will be conducted as follows:

10.02.01. with 4 teams : Double round robin "a".

Teams ranked 1 to 4 play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

10.02.02. with 5 teams : Double round robin "a".

Teams ranked 1 to 4 play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

Team ranked 5 will be 5th in the Competition.

10.02.03. with 6 teams : Single round robin "a".

Teams ranked 1 to 4 play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

Teams ranked 5 and 6 play each other to determine places 5 and 6.

10.02.04. with 7 teams : Single round robin "a".

Teams ranked 1 to 4 play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

Teams ranked 5 to 7 play a single round robin "b" to determine places 5, 6, and 7.



10.02.05. with 8 teams : Two groups "a" and "b" both of four teams.

Each group plays a single round robin.

Teams ranked 1 and 2 in groups "a" and "b" play a single round robin "c" in which the games among these four teams will also be considered as a played game for this round robin "c".

Teams ranked 3 and 4 of groups "a" and "b" play a single round robin "d" in which the games among these teams will also be considered as a played game for this round robin "d".

Teams ranked 1 to 4 in group "c" play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

Teams ranked 1 and 2 of group "d" play against each other to determine places 5 and 6.

Teams ranked 3 and 4 of group "d" play against each other to determine places 7 and 8.

10.02.06. with 9 teams: Two groups: one of 5 teams "a" and one of 4 teams "b"

Each group plays a single round robin..

Teams ranked 1 and 2 in groups "a" and "b" play a single round robin "c" in which the games among these four teams will also be considered as a played game for this round robin "c".

Teams ranked 3, 4 and 5 of both groups play a single round robin "d" in which the games between these teams will also be considered as a played game for this round robin "d".

Teams ranked 1 to 4 in group "c" play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

The final results of round robin "d" will determine places 5 to 9 in the Competition.

10.02.07. with 10 teams : Two groups "a" and "b" both of five teams.

Each group plays a single round robin.

Teams ranked 1 and 2 of in groups "a" and "b" play a single round robin "c" in which the games among these four teams will also be considered as a played game for this round robin "c".

Teams ranked 3, 4 and 5 of both groups play a single round robin "d" in which the games between these teams will also be considered as a played game for this round robin "d".

Teams ranked 1 to 4 in group "c" play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

The final results of round robin "d" will determine the places 5 to 10 in the Competition.

10.02.08. with 11 teams : Two groups: one of 5 teams, "a", and one of 6 teams, "b" .

Each group plays a single round robin.

Teams ranked 1 and 2 in each group play a single round robin "c" in which the games between these teams will also be considered as a played game for this round robin "c".

Teams ranked 3, 4, 5 and 6 of both groups play a single round robin "d" in which the games between these teams will also be considered as a played game for this round robin "d".

Teams ranked 1 to 4 in group "c" play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

The final results of round robin "d" determine the places 5 to 11 in the Competition.

10.02.09. with 12 teams : Four groups "a", "b", "c" and "d", each having 3 teams.

Each group plays a single round robin.

Two quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" will be created after a single round robin. Quarterfinal group "e" will be created from the teams ranked a1, b2, c2 and d1. Quarterfinal group "f" will be created from the teams ranked a2, b1, c1 and d2.

Teams ranked 1 and 2 of both quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

Third teams of both quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play for place 5.

Fourth teams of both quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play for place 7.

Teams ranked 3 of groups "a", "b", "c" and "d" play a single round robin "g". The final results of round robin "g" will determine places 9 to 12 in the Competition.



10.02.10. with 13 teams : Four groups, "a", "b", "c" with 3 teams and "d" with 4 teams.

Each group plays a single round robin.

Two quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" will be created after the single round robin. Quarterfinal group "e" will be created from teams ranked a1, b2, c2 and d1. Quarterfinal group "f" will be created from teams ranked a2, b1, c1 and d2.

Teams ranked 1 and 2 of both quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

Third teams of quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play for place 5.

Fourth teams of quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play for place 7.

Teams ranked 3 and 4 of groups "a", "b", "c" and "d" play a single round robin "g" in which the games between these teams of round "d" will also be considered as a played game for this round robin "g". The final results of round "g" will determine places 9 to 13 in the Competition.

10.02.11. with 14 teams: Four groups "a" and "b" of 3 teams each, and "c" and "d" of 4 teams each.

Each group plays a single round robin.

Two quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" will be created after single round robin. Quarterfinal group "e" will be created from teams ranked a1, b2, c2 and d1. Quarterfinal group "f" will be created from teams ranked a2, b1, c1 and d2.

Teams ranked 1 and 2 of quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

Third teams of quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play for place 5.

Fourth teams of quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play for place 7.

Teams ranked 3 and 4 of fourth groups "a", "b", "c" and "d" play a single round robin "g" in which the games between these teams of rounds "c" and "d" will also be considered as a played game for this round "g". The final results of round "g" will determine places 9 to 14 in the Competition.

10.02.12. with 15 teams : Four groups, "a" with teams and "b", "c" and "d" each with 4 teams.

Each group plays a single round robin.

Two quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" will be created after single round robin. Quarterfinal group "e" will be created from teams ranked a1, b2, c2 and d1. Quarterfinal group "f" will be created from teams ranked a2, b1, c1 and d2.

Teams ranked 1 and 2 of both quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

Third teams of quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play game for place 5.

Fourth teams of quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play game for place 7.

Teams ranked 3 and 4 of fourth groups "a", "b", "c" and "d" play a single round robin "g" in which the games between these teams of rounds "b", "c" and "d" will also be considered as a played game for this round "g".

The final results of round "g" will determine places 9 to 15 in the Competition.

10.02.13. with 16 teams – **version a** : Four groups "a", "b", "c" and "d" all 4 teams each.

Each group plays a single round robin.

Four quarterfinal groups "e", "f", "g" and "h" will be created after single round robin. Quarterfinal group "e" will be created from teams ranked a1, b2, c2 and d1. Quarterfinal group "f" will be created from teams ranked a2, b1, c1 and d2. Quarterfinal group "g" will be created from teams ranked a3, b4, c4 and d3. Quarterfinal group "h" will be created from teams ranked a4, b3, c3 and d4.

Teams ranked 1 and 2 of quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

Third teams of quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play for place 5.

Fourth teams of quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" play for place 7.

Teams ranked 1 and 2 of quarterfinal groups "g" and "h" play the "Cross Play Off" for 9 – 12 place.

Third teams of quarterfinal groups "g" and "h" play gae for place 13.

Fourth teams of quarterfinal groups "g" and "h" play for place 15.

10.02.13. with 16 teams – **version b** : Four groups "a", "b", "c" and "d" all of 4 teams.

Each group plays a single round robin.

Two quarterfinal groups "e" and "f" will be created after single round robin. Quarterfinal group "e" will be created from teams ranked a1, b2, c2 and d1. Quarterfinal group "f" will be created from teams ranked a2, b1, c1 and d2.



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Teams ranked 1 and 2 of both quarterfinal groups “e” and “f” play the "Cross Play Off" finals.

Third teams of both quarterfinal groups “e” and “f” play for place 5.

Fourth teams of both quarterfinal groups “e” and “f” play for place 7.

Teams ranked 3 of fourth groups “a”, “b”, “c” and “d” play a single round robin "g". The final results of round robin "g" will determine places 9 to 12 in the Competition.

Then teams ranked 4 of fourth groups “a”, “b”, “c” and “d” play a single round robin "h". The final results of round robin "h" will determine places 13 to 16 in the Competition.

NUMBER OF GAMES IN TERMS OF NUMBER OF TEAMS														
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	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16a	16b
Qualification	12	20	15	21	12	16	20	25	12	15	18	21	24	24
Classification			1	3	6	6	9	12	8	11	15	20	16	14
Quarterfinal					4	4	4	4	12	12	12	12	12	12
Play Off	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	8	4
Total Games	16	24	20	28	26	30	37	45	36	42	49	57	60	54