

EUROPEAN CUP RULES & REGULATIONS

SECTION 11a Addendum



2018

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The European Cup will follow WBTF rules for World Championship and International Cup respectively, except in specific circumstances.

September 2017 updates for 2018 are listed in Red text

January 2018 updates are listed in Blue Text

February 2018 updates are listed in Orange Text

EVENTS, AGE DIVISIONS & LEVELS

The Events and Levels offered at the European Cup shall be as follows:

- ❖ Women's Solo, Two-Baton & Three Baton
 - Level B – Junior 1, Junior 2, Senior, Adult Women
 - Level A – Junior 1, Junior 2, Senior, Adult Women
 - Level Elite – Junior 1, Junior 2, Senior, Adult Women

- ❖ Men's Solo, Two-Baton & Three Baton
 - Level B – Junior, Senior Men
 - Level A – Junior, Senior Men
 - Level Elite – Junior, Senior Men

- ❖ Free Style (World)
 - Level B – Junior, Senior Women
 - Level A – Junior, Senior Women
 - Level Elite – Junior, Senior Women
 - Level B – Junior, Senior Men
 - Level A – Junior, Senior Men
 - Level Elite - Junior, Senior Men

- ❖ Pair
 - Junior
 - Senior

- ❖ Team
 - Junior
 - Senior

- ❖ Artistic Group
 - Junior
 - Senior

NUMBER OF COMPETITORS ALLOWED PER COUNTRY:

- ❖ SOLO = 3 athletes in each level and age division
- ❖ 2 BATON = 3 athletes in each level and age division
- ❖ 3 BATON = 3 athletes in each level and age division
- ❖ FREESTYLE =
 - 3 female athletes in each level and age division.
 - 3 male athletes in each level and age division.
- ❖ PAIR = 1 pair in each age division
- ❖ TEAM = 2 teams in each age division
- ❖ ARTISTIC GROUP = 2 groups in each age division

RULES SPECIFIC TO FREE STYLE, PAIRS, TEAMS & ARTISTIC GROUPS

- a. Levels B and A in the Freestyle event, same content restrictions as for the solo event.
- b. Athletes participating in level Elite must have the Elite skill level
- c. Soloists/Pairs/Teams/Artistic Groups who participated in the finals of the previous European or World Championships, or who are selected for the upcoming World Championships, are not allowed to enter the European Cup in the same category.
 1. If a soloist/pair participated in the finals for the previous European or World Championships in the junior category and is now a senior competitor, they are allowed to participate in the European Cup in the senior category.
 2. If a pair participated in the finals of the previous European or World Championships and one of the pair members has changed, the pair is allowed to participate in the European Cup.
 3. If a team/group participated in the finals of the previous European or World Championships (or have been selected for the next World Championships) a minimum of 50% of the team/group members must have changed in order for that team/group to participate in the European Cup in the same event.
 4. If a team/group participate in the finals of the previous European or World Championship and change category (from group to team or from team to group), they are allowed to participate at the European Cup.

Any soloist/pair/team/group breaking these rules will be disqualified.
- d. Number of athletes per Team: from 5 to 9 members
- e. Number of athletes per Artistic Group: 10+ members
- f. Alternates are considered as part of a country's European Cup Contingent.
- g. A Pair, Team or Artistic Group may only be comprised of members who are residents of the same country.
- h. During any European Cup competition participating athletes can only compete for one club.

- i. An athlete may be a member of a Pair, Team or Artistic Group at the same competition, as long as they are not a member of another Pair, Team or Artistic Group that competes in the same category. (e.g.: athlete could be in a Junior Team and a Senior Group). However, an athlete shall not be permitted to be a member of two different Teams or two different Groups OR two different Pairs (e.g.: athlete could not be in a junior Team and a senior Team).

ALTERNATES

SOLO, 2 BATON & 3 BATON

No alternates are permitted for these events

FREE STYLE

No alternates are permitted for these events

PAIRS

One alternate athlete per Pair. After the first round only one alternate athlete may be used. A mixed pair may have two alternates but can only use one to replace the same gender athlete.

TEAMS & ARTISTIC GROUPS

Each country may have two alternates maximum for Teams & Artistic Groups.

Each coach/country has the freedom to use 2 alternates during the different rounds of the group competition. The number of competing athletes in a group must not change.

AGE DIVISIONS

Where age divisions apply, “age” shall be determined as the age an athlete is during the period of January 1st to December 31st in the competition year.

The minimum age to compete is 12, except for the team and group members where the minimum age is 8.

WOMEN'S SOLO, 2 BATON & 3-BATON

Junior 1 = 12 – 14

Junior 2 = 15 - 17

Senior = 18 – 21

Adult = 22 and over

MEN'S SOLO, 2 BATON & 3-BATON

Junior = 12 -17

Senior = 18 and over

FREESTYLE

Junior = 12 -17

Senior = 18 and over

PAIR

(using the ages as shown above)

Junior=Junior + Junior

Senior=Junior + Senior; Senior + Senior

TEAM & ARTISTIC GROUP

Minimum age is 8.

The average age of the athletes of the team/group determine the division in which they compete, taking no account of reserves.

Junior 12 – 17 years

Senior 17.1 and older

The inclusion of one or two reserves may not alter the division of the team or groups original entry. Reserves should be compatible in age. If a member of a team/group, for whatever reason cannot compete and if the team/group has no reserves, and this withdrawal changes the average age (therefore division) this team/group must compete in the original division in which they were entered.

NUMBER OF ROUNDS**SOLO, 2 BATON & 3-BATON**

All the procedures are described in WBTF POLICIES & PROCEDURES MANUAL –
INTERNATIONAL CUP RULES & REGULATIONS

FREE STYLE

Nr. Of participants	Semi – Finals	Finals
0 – 20	-	0 – 6
21-30	15	6
31 and more	20	10

PAIR-TEAM

Nr. Of participants	Semi – Finals	Finals
0 – 20	-	6
21 – 30	-	10

ARTISTIC GROUP

Nr. Of participants	Semi – Finals	Finals
0+	-	10

TABULATION & SCORING PROCEDURES

SOLO, 2 BATON, 3-BATON, TEAM

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CLARIFICATION OF TABULATION METHOD FOR EUROPEAN CUP: February 2018

The tabulation system used for the European Cup will follow all the same guidelines as the International Cup Tabulation System for all disciplines including the non-cup discipline of Freestyle and Freestyle Pair.

WBTF Cup competitions are tabulated on the place point system using 3 judges per category, plus a penalty judge for consistency in judging and tabulation and less confusion for the athletes, coaches and spectators.

See Section 11 – International Cup Rules & Regulations for complete details.

EXCEPTION - ARTISTIC GROUP

Placement decided by total of caption scores.

REGARDING TIES IN THE NEW ARTISTIC GROUP EVENT:

If there is a tie in the Total Net Score, use the following procedure:

- a) in preliminary round, all groups tied in the last advancing position advance to the next round
- b) in final rounds, ties for any position other than first remain unbroken.

Ties below first place will remain tied and one placement will be skipped.

Example: a second place tie, the next place is fourth.

- c) in final rounds, all groups tied for first place must re-compete for a panel of five judges to determine first and second place.