



Technical Regulations Curling

Schaffhausen, Switzerland
17 - 24 March 2018

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1. EVENTS

The curling competitions for men and woman will be conducted in a team tournament format from 17-24 March 2018.

2. PARTICIPANTS

2.1. Age Eligibility

There are no age restrictions for curling competitors.

2.2. Number of Teams

Each National Federation may enter one (1) men's team and one (1) women's team. Participation in the EDSO is limited to a maximum of twelve (12) men's teams and women's teams.

Men's Teams (7): Finland, Germany, Hungary, Poland, Russia, Switzerland and Ukraine.

Women's Teams (6): Croatia, Germany, Hungary, Poland, Russia and Ukraine.

2.3. Team composition

Each team may have a maximum total of five (5) players, consisting of a maximum of four (4) regular players and one (1) reserve player.

2.4. Non-starting athletes

A fine of EURO €30 is levied on each non-starting athlete with the exception of those presenting a doctor's declaration that he/she should not be allowed to start.

3. REGISTRATION

3.1. Preliminary Registration

The preliminary registrations with an indication of the probable number of athletes in each event must be submitted to the EDSO Technical Director no later than **17 March 2017**. [Not less than one (1) year before the competition.]

3.2. Final Entry

The final entries with the names of each athlete indicating event entered must be submitted to the EDSO Technical Director no later than **17 September 2017**. [Not less than six (6) months before the competition]. Such submissions will be made via official online registration form followed by the official registration form.

3.3. Name Registration

The name Registration with the names of each athlete indicating event entered must be submitted to the EDSO Technical Director no later than **17 February 2018**. [Not less than one (1) month before the competitions]. Such submissions will be made via official online registration form followed by the official registration form.

3.3.1. No changes or additional entries will be accepted after **17 February 2018**.

4. COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

4.1. Technical Organisation

EDSO is responsible for the technical organisation of the curling competitions.

4.2. Committees

4.2.1 Technical Committee:

The technical committee will be composed of the EDSO Technical Director and members appointed by the Organising Committee:

Andy Helbling	EDSO Curling Technical Director
Iosif Stavrakakis	EDSO Representative
Guido Caccivio	Chief Umpire
Roman Pechous	Swiss Deaf Sports Association
Martin Risch	Curling OC TD Representative

4.2.2 Protest Committee:

The Championship Protest Committee shall consist of:

Iosif Stavrakakis	EDSO Representative
Andy Helbling	EDSO Curling Technical Director
Guido Caccivio	Chief Umpire

4.3. Competition Rules

The Curling competitions will be conducted in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the WCF (version: October 2017). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of the Rules and Regulations, the English text shall prevail. Unforeseen incidents not covered by the Rules and Regulations shall be dealt with as follows:

- 4.3.1.** Cases of a general nature will be resolved in accordance with EDSO Regulations, EDSO General Technical Rules and this Curling Technical Regulations.
- 4.3.2.** Technical questions related to competition rules shall be resolved according to the WCF Rules and Regulations.
- 4.3.3.** Only athletes who comply with the EDSO Regulations are entitled to take part in the EDSO Curling competitions.

4.4. Competition Equipment

- 4.4.1.** All equipment and implements used during competitions will comply with the WCF Rules and Regulations.

4.5. Competition Clothing

4.5.1. Each team shall have two (2) sets of uniforms in contrasting colours (one light and the other dark). Team colours and jersey names must be identified on the final entry form. This will be checked during the first Technical Meeting. The uniforms will comply with the WCF regulations.

4.6. Draw

The draw for teams participating in the men's and women's tournament took place on 23 October 2017 in Zurich.

- 4.6.1.** If a country withdraws after the draw, there will be **no** new draw. A country from the waiting list can replace it or the Technical Director will decide about this based on the classification of the bowls and the numbers of the draw

4.7. Competition Plan

The competitions plan will be conducted in accordance with the WCF Rules and Regulation. The competition consists of round-robin, semi-finals and finals. (There will be no Play-off Game)

4.7.1. Round Robin

Teams will play a Single Round Robin (each team plays every other team) to establish the Top Four Team.

4.7.1.1 Pool Rankings

If two or more teams have same point pad, then the winner will be decided in the

following order:

1. direct meeting of the two teams
2. The better Draw Shot Challenge (*WCF-Rule C9.b.4*)

4.7.2. Semi-Finals

The four (4) winners of the Round-Robin will then advance to the semi-finals. The format will be as follows:

Winner of A1 vs. A4

Winner of A2 vs. A3.

4.7.3. Finals

Two (2) losers of the semi-finals will play the bronze medal game to determine the bronze medal and the fourth (4th) place.

Two (2) winner of the semi-finals will play for the gold medal game to determine the gold and silver medals.

4.7.4. Rock colour

The Team listed first in the draw schedule for the round robin games will play the stones with the dark coloured handles (red). They will have first pre-game practice. The practice will start 30 minutes prior to game time. You may only practice with the rocks assigned to your team for the game.

The team listed second will play with the stones with the light coloured handles (yellow). They will have the second practice which will start approximately 15 minutes prior to game time. You may only practice with the rocks assigned to your team for the game.

4.7.5. Last Stone Draw (LSD)

During the round robin games, each player on the team must deliver a minimum of two (2) LSD stones during the round robin. One must be with a clockwise rotation and one with a counter-clockwise rotation.

4.8. Officials

4.8.1. Umpire

The Chief Umpire (Official) and all on Ice Umpires (Supervisors) are designated by the Organizing Committee. The Observers if available, Timekeepers and Statisticians will also be appointed by the Organizing Committee.

4.8.2. Appointment

The Organising Committee shall appoint an appropriate number of Umpires, Timekeepers and Statisticians.

4.9. Withdraw

If a team withdraws after the European Championships have begun or are disqualified during the games, the Championships must continue without this team or a replacement. The games played by the team concerned will not be taken into consideration.

5. VENUES

5.1. Competition Venue

The Curling competitions will take place at KSS Schaffhausen, Breitenaustrasse 117, 8200 Schaffhausen, Switzerland.

5.1.1. Sheets

There are four (4) curling sheets.

5.2. Training Venue

The training venue is the same as the competition venue.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 Competition Schedule

Refer to the competition schedule on the hosting competitions website.

www.ecurling2018.com

6.2. Training Schedule

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6.3. Technical Meeting

6.3.1. Date and Location

The first Technical Meeting will be held at KSS Schaffhausen conference room on Friday 16 March 2018 at 18:00.

The second Technical Meeting will be held at KSS Schaffhausen conference room on Thursday 22 March 2018 at 17:00.

6.3.2. Attendance

Each participating National Federation may be represented by two (2) officials, of whom at least one (1) must be deaf and, if necessary, an interpreter.

7. CONTROL AND SANCTIONS

7.1. Hearing Devices

The use of any hearing devices(s)/amplification or external cochlear implant parts is strictly forbidden from the restricted zone area.

7.1.1. Restricted Zone Area

The restricted zone area is in effect from the time athletes enter on the whole courts hall of ice area during the warm-up and competition period.

7.1.2. Violation and Penalty

When this rule is violated, the offending player shall be disqualified for the remainder of the competitions; the offending team shall be subjected to a penalty and the game will be forfeit/disqualified. If more than one team member in a team sport is found to have committed an audiogram rule violation at any time during the competition, the team may be subject to disqualification and/or other disciplinary action.

Refer to ICSD [Audiogram Regulations](#), 8: Violations and Penalties.

8. PROTESTS

8.1. Procedure for lodging a protest

All sport related protests will be resolved in accordance to the WCF Rules and Regulations and will be managed by the Curling Protest Committee. Any official protest must be submitted in writing in English on the Official EDSO Protest Form. The form must be given to the EDSO Technical Director with EURO €100 within thirty (30) minutes after official posted results.

8.1.1. The EDSO Technical Director will decide whether the protest is sporting related or eligibility related. The Curling Protest Committee will review all sport related protests, and the EDSO Executive Committee will review all eligibility protests. The deposit of EURO €100 will be returned to the appellant only if the protest is considered valid.

8.2. Procedures for reviewing a protest

The Curling Protest Committee will meet in the Technical Director's office in KSS Schaffhausen at a time decided upon by the chairperson of the committee.

- The EDSO Representative will be the chairperson of the committee.
- The Sports Liaison Director (SLO) will be responsible to book the meeting room and interpreters.
- The Sports Liaison Director (SLO) will contact all committee members to inform them of the meeting time and location.
- The EDSO Technical Director will be responsible for liaising with the State Sports Association's Competition Manager.
- The Sports Liaison Director (SLO) will be responsible for informing the hosting Deaf Sport Federation and the EDSO Technical Director will be responsible for informing EDSO Executive Committee about the protest and also the outcome of the protest.