



OPEN MINIGOLF EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

29th August – 1st September 2012



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INVITATION
29th August – 1st September 2012

- PROMOTER: European Minigolfsport Federation (EMF)
- ORGANIZER: Federação Portuguesa de Minigolfe
Clube de Minigolfe do Porto
- LOCATION OF COURSE: Avenida D. Carlos I - Passeio Alegre
4150 Porto
- TYPE OF COURSE: Course A: 18 lanes miniaturegolf
Course B: 18 lanes concrete
- CATEGORIES: General class (women); Women's teams (3 players + 1 substitute)
General class (men); Men's teams (6 players + 1 substitute)
- PARTICIPATION: All active members of the WMF, as long as they came up to their obligations towards the EMF and WMF.
- REGISTRATION: Until 31st May 2012 only on the EMF website: www.minigolf-europe.org
Apply for username and password here: secretary-general@minigolf-europe.org
If participants need visa for travelling to take part at the European Cup, please send information including all necessary data VERY EARLY directly to the organiser
- PARTICIPATION FEE: € 70,00 for players, coaches and officials
Charges have to be paid until 31st May 2012 to the account of WMF.
Please pay right in time and only to:
BGL BNP Paribas
Swift = BIC BGLLLULL
Account number (IBAN) LU02 0030 0705 3954 0000
For late payment and registration an additional charge of 25% will be due!
- PRACTICING FEE: Pre official training 3 € per day and player or coach payable to the organizer
- ACCOMMODATION: Please send requests for accommodation immediately, but latest 31st May 2012 only to:
Name: Rita Loureiro
E-mail: rita.loureiro@clubeminigolfeporto.com
See also EC - website: <http://minigolfporto2012.com/>

The worldwide international sport rules of WMF including supplementary rules and worldwide international sport regulations are applied for the European Championships. In particular please note the regulations for the Continental Championships.

Each participant or for minors their legal guardian must have signed the forms for acceptance of WADA-code 2009 as well as media coverage and accept the WMF anti-doping regulations in current version.

Sport shoes and uniform team sports clothing appropriate for minigolf are required during official practice time and tournament. Only sport hats are allowed.

Günter Schwarz
EMF Sport Director

SCHEDULE

GROUPS FOR OFFICIAL TRAINING / ACCREDITATION:

The final composition of the groups will be published according to the entries after 31st May 2012 on the organizers website and at the official information board at the location.

Accreditation of all participants (players, coaches and officials) has to be filed immediately after their arrival at Porto, latest on Saturday, 25th August 2012, 18:00.

FRIDAY 24th August 2012

08:00 – 13:00	training group A
13:00 – 18:00	training group B
18:00	courses open for both groups
18:00	last possibility for written complaints regarding courses
18:00	inspection of the courses by the jury and a member of the organizer

SATURDAY 25th August 2012

08:00 – 13:00	training group B
13:00 – 18:00	training group A
18:00	courses open for both groups
18:00	deadline for accreditation of players, coaches and officials

SUNDAY 26th August 2012

08:00 – 13:00	training group A
13:00 – 18:00	training group B
18:00	courses open for both groups

MONDAY 27th August 2012

Players, who lose practice time as delegate at the EMF Delegates Conference on 26th August 2012, get as compensation practice time during Monday from 08:00 to 17:00.

08:00 – 12:30	training group B
12:30 – 17:00	training group A
17:00	courses closed due to the opening ceremony, no training allowed
17:00	deadline for name list of players (team order)
19:00	opening ceremony and draw of starting order

TUESDAY, 28th August 2012

08:00 – 13:00	training group A
13:00 – 18:00	training group B
11:00	media-conference
13:00	coach meeting with referees
18:00	course open for both groups

WEDNESDAY, 29th August 2012 - FIRST DAY OF COMPETITION

On each day of competition courses are open for training 90 minutes before the first starting time

08:00	4 rounds in case of more than 120 players 3 rounds in case of more than 160 players shot gun start women, women's teams, men: start on course A men's teams: start on course B
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THURSDAY, 30th August 2012 - SECOND DAY OF COMPETITION

Pairings will be regrouped according to the results after first day of competition

08:00 4 rounds
in case of more than 120 players 3 rounds
in case of more than 160 players shot gun start
women, women's teams, men: start on course B
men's teams: start on course A

End of team competition

Team Sudden death: immediately after the end of team competition on the course played last

After competition: medal ceremony for team competition at the course

FRIDAY 31st August 2012 - THIRD DAY OF COMPETITION

Pairings will be regrouped according to the individual results after second day of competition

08:00 intermediate round of the individual strokeplay competition for all participants
men: start on course A
women: start on course B

Sudden death: for qualifying to the individual matchplay competition (32 men/16 women) immediately after the end of intermediate round on the course played last

Pairings will be regrouped according to the individual results after intermediate round

14:00 final round of the individual strokeplay championships
women, men: start on course A

End of individual strokeplay competition

Sudden death: immediately after the end of final round on the course played last

After competition: medal ceremony for individual strokeplay competition at the course

SATURDAY, 1st September 2012 - FOURTH DAY OF COMPETITION

08:00 first round of individual matchplay competition (32 men)
10:00 second round of individual matchplay competition (16 men/16 women)
12:00 third round of individual matchplay competition (8 men/8 women)
14:00 presentation of semi-finalists women and men
semi finals of individual matchplay competition (4 men/4 women)
16:00 finals of individual matchplay competition
Sudden death immediately after the end of each match continued at the next lane
After competition: medal ceremony for individual matchplay competition on the course
20:00 closing ceremony

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MODE OF TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Admittance: All registered teams participate in the team championship in their respective categories.
- Mode and ranking: The scores of all finished rounds in the category are added together for the ranking of team championships.
If a minimum of 6 rounds have not been finished by the end of day 2, the team competition will be continued on the day 3 and the intermediate round of individual strokeplay championships will possibly be cancelled. Deadline for the end of team competition is 14:00 on day 3.

MODE OF INDIVIDUAL STROKEPLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Admittance: All registered players participate in the individual strokeplay championship in their respective categories.
- Qualification for the final round: The best 9 women and the best 15 men after the intermediate round and players with equal scores at the cut.
- Mode and ranking: All finished rounds of the team competition and the intermediate round are the preliminary rounds of the individual strokeplay championships. If the team competitions have not been finished in scheduled time, the intermediate round will possibly be cancelled or cut. The final round is played in pairings of three players. The scores of the preliminary rounds and the final round are added together for the ranking of individual strokeplay championships. If the intermediate round has not been finished in scheduled time, the final round can be cut to be played on less than 36 lanes.

MODE OF INDIVIDUAL MATCHPLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Admittance: First 16 women and 32 men according to the results of the qualification rounds (team competition rounds + intermediate round of individual strokeplay championships) are qualified. For equal scores at the cut there will be a sudden-death beginning at lane 1 at the course played last by this category.
In case of equal scores among the qualified players, the ranking order of the players and thus the places in the final table are defined by the WMF sport rules (chapter 2.3.9.4) for scoring and play-offs. If there still is a tie between two or more players after counting all the differences, a coin toss or other way of draw has to be made for deciding these ranks. The mentioned WMF sport rules apply even to the players qualified by sudden-death – their ranking order is decided by those rules, not by the results of the sudden-death.
The results of the final round of individual strokeplay competition do not affect the rankings for the matchplay finals. The grid for matchplay championships is defined according to the results after the intermediate round.
If any qualified player doesn't appear at the start for any reason whatsoever, there is no replacement by the next player of the ranking list after qualification rounds. His/her place in the table remains empty and other players keep their original places.
- Lanes to be played: 9 lanes concrete / course B: Lanes 1, 2, 4, 5, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18
9 lanes miniaturegolf / course A: The 9 lanes with the highest average score at the Nations Cup.
Only the results of the players of the best eight teams are considered for the calculation of the averages.
Lanes can be changed by the tournament jury for good reasons. The decision regarding the lanes which are played will be published at the coach meeting.
- Mode and ranking: All rounds are played as matchplay. Matches until semi-finals are played with shotgun start. For starting lanes see play-off tables. Semi-finals, finals and matches for rank 3 are started at lane 1 of course A (in order: women, men) one match after the other.

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The higher-ranked player after the preliminary rounds in the pairing always plays first on the starting lane of the match. After that the leading player in the match always starts the next lane. If there is currently no leader in the match the playing order remains unchanged until there is a leader and thus possibly a new starting player. This also applies for the first lane of the sudden-death playoffs in the matchplay. The following lanes are played according to the general sudden-death rule.

Number of won lanes decides about the winner (matchplay mode), who proceeds to the next round. In case of equal number of won lanes after full 18 lanes (or fewer if the number of played lanes has to be cut due to any reason) the match is continued at next of the chosen lanes until one player wins one lane.

A match has to be stopped earlier than after 18 lanes, as soon as one player has already won the match mathematically.

Play at a lane has to be stopped as soon there is a winner for the lane.

Losers of the same round are finally ranked according to their total results of qualification rounds.

Final abandonment during

individual matchplay finals: In case of final abandonment during any round before finals (until all matches of the round in one category have been completed): The matchplay championship of such category is completely cancelled and there is no ranking at all.

In case of final abandonment during final match and/or match for rank 3: Both finalists will receive a gold medal and/or both players in the match for rank 3 will receive a bronze medal.

BAD WEATHER CONDITIONS DURING THE COMPETITION

The team competition is finished latest at 14:00 on third competition day; all fully completed team rounds are counted for the respective category.

For individual strokeplay competition please see the mode (above).

In case of bad weather conditions during the individual matchplay finals the rounds are cancelled in a way that a chance for a real final always remains. First option is to cut the first round for male and to start with 16 male players. Second option is to change the number of lanes for each round if necessary. The minimum number of lanes played per round is 12. It is possible to play same lanes more than once during a round, if this helps to complete the competition (for example 2 x 6 lanes). It is also possible that these lanes are on one course only (for example 2 x 6 lanes miniaturegolf covered by tents), but if possible, the option of playing both courses must be preferred. The decisions for any changes are done by the jury of the championships.

PENALTY SYSTEM

The penalty system in the team competition and individual strokeplay competition is the standard system described in WMF worldwide international sport rules chapter 2.3.18. All penalties from the qualification rounds of the individual strokeplay competition are carried forward to the individual strokeplay final round.

The following penalty system is applied for the individual matchplay finals: No penalties from the qualifications rounds are carried forward to the matchplay finals. First step is a written pre-warning with no consequences. For all following violations the player in question loses the next unfinished lane (meaning the next lane, which has no winner yet). Referees have the possibility to skip the pre-warning level in case of severe or tactical violations.

COACHES

Maximum of two coaches per nation are allowed on each course during all competitions, regardless of the number of participating players of the nation.

ACCREDITATION
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To be handed in until 18:00 at Saturday, 25th August 2012

National federation: _____

PLAYERS				
Name, first name (in block letters)	Date of birth	Category	Licence number	Exceptions
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Exceptions: A – Medical attestation for shoes other than sport shoes
 B – Medical attestation for repositioning the ball with minigolf putter
 C – Medical attestation according to the anti-doping regulations of WMF
 D – Other attestations provided by a medical doctor or national federation

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COACHES		
Name, first name (in block letters)	Date of birth	Exceptions
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

OFFICIALS		
Name, first name (in block letters)	Date of birth	Exceptions
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5.		

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ENTRY BY NAME
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To be handed in until 17:00 at Monday, 27th August 2012

National federation: _____

Legitimate person for substitutes: _____

WOMEN'S TEAM				
Name, first name (in block letters)	Date of birth	Category	Licence number	Exceptions
1.				
2.				
3.				
S.				

MEN'S TEAM				
Name, first name (in block letters)	Date of birth	Category	Licence number	Exceptions
1.				
2.				
3.				
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6.				
S.				

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