



# **SPECIFIC COMPETITIONS REGULATIONS**

## **MEN'S EUROPEAN SUPER CUP (MESC)**

### **PARTICIPATION**

**01.01.** The MESC shall be played each year, as is the case with all other ESF Cup Competitions. The MESC shall start the first Monday after each 25 August, to avoid conflicts with the ISC tournament.

**01.02.** Affiliated Federations may enter their two best teams from their national championship played in the year before each MESC competition. The executive council of each Affiliated Federation must nominate and approve each team entering this competition. As a concession to the leading countries of men's fast pitch in Europe, three teams may be entered by the countries which have finished in the first three places (medal winners) of the previous MECh.

**01.03.** The winners of the previous year SUPER CUP and CUP II automatically qualify to participate at next event. The host country for each MESC may enter one extra team. The number one and two of the previous European Championship Junior Men are also qualified to participate. Up to two extra teams from outside Europe can be invited by EC ESF, who may also allow further participants in case of special circumstances.

### **TEAM REQUIREMENTS & COMPETITION FORMAT**

**02.01.** To be eligible for the MESC, teams must complete the relevant Entry Form and pay the Entry Fee required by Financial Appendix and according to CR 03 (Entries for Competitions). Each participating team shall pay special contribution required by Financial Appendix.

**02.02.** Players licence (CR 08) requirements apply for all participants. Each club team that qualifies for participation in an ESCM shall be entitled to include a maximum of three (3) Pick-Up players on its final competition roster.

**02.03.** Participant teams are responsible for their own accommodation, meals and transportation to and from the venue and during the competition. Upon request of participant teams, the organizer is responsible to provide contact names and special rates for local transportation companies.

**02.04.** Starting from 10 teams: competing teams will be seeded and divided into pools. Seeding will be done based on the ranking of the previously completed MESC. Teams that did not play in a previous year's MESC competition will receive consideration as regards seeding. Pools shall be structured to avoid, if at all possible, teams from the same Affiliated Federation playing against each other. At the end of pool games, teams shall be sorted by ranking and play a double elimination round for each of the SUPER CUP and the CUP II.

### **ORGANIZER RESPONSIBILITIES SPECIFIC TO MESC**

**03.01.** On the basis that 18 and 25 teams enter the MESC, the organizer must have three to six fields fairly close to each other (as reasonably determined by the organiser in cooperation with the EC). Of these fields, only two are required to comply with ESF field requirements (TR 08.01.01 – Fields and Playing Facilities, Level A). The other fields may have grass infield/outfield. After pool games, the best fields will be used solely for the SUPER CUP. However, the CUP II final will be played immediately before SUPER CUP final on the main field.

**03.02.** The organizer is responsible for organizing and paying for the accommodation, meals and transportation for umpires and ESF officials to and from the venue and during the competition.

### **ESF REPRESENTATION & RESPONSIBILITIES**

**04.01.** ESF officials shall be appointed, including one member of the Executive Council, at least one Technical Commissioners, at least two Umpires in Chiefs and at least one Scorer in Chief. All games shall be umpired with the 3-man system (unless otherwise notified before the start of the tournament).

**04.02.** The ESF will supply game balls and line-up cards, and medals for first, second and third places of both Cups.