

5.1 Championship categories

5.1.2 European Men Championships (EMC).

5.2 Age limitations

5.2.1 There is no age limitation for the EWC and the EMC.

5.3 Periods

5.3.2 The EMC is conducted each second year in odd years, preferably in June during weeks 23 and 24.

5.4 Teams

5.4.1 Each team consists of maximum 6 players

5.4.2 The teams must come from affiliated ETBF federations

5.5 Events

5.5.1 The following events exist

- a) Doubles, 12 games
- b) Trios, 6 games
- c) Team, 6 games
- d) All Event, consisting of the above 24 games
- e) Masters as specified in 5.5.6 and 5.5.7

5.5.3 Specifications for the Doubles event

- a) The Doubles event qualification will be played in two blocks of six games.
- b) The first block will be played on short oil and the second block on long oil.
- c) The four highest positioned in the Doubles event qualification are qualified for the semi finals, seeded as 1-4 according to the final standing of the Doubles event qualification.
- d) The doubles in the semi finals will be matched as the 1st seeded double vs. the 4th seeded double and the 2nd seeded double vs. the 3rd seeded double.
- e) The winners of the semi finals are qualified for the final, while the highest seeded of the losing doubles will be positioned 3 in the championships and the lowest seeded of the losing trios will be positioned 4 in the championships.
- f) Both semi finals and the final will be one game matches.
- g) The highest seeded double in each of the three matches will decide whether the match will be played on short oil or on long oil and is also deciding on which lane to begin.

5.5.4 Specifications for the Trios event

- a) The Trios event qualification will be played in two blocks of three games.
- b) The first block will be played on short oil and the second block on long oil.
- c) The four highest positioned in the Trios event qualification are qualified for the semi-finals, seeded as 1-4 according to the final standing of the Trios event qualification.
- d) The trios in the semi finals will be matched as the 1st seeded trio vs. the 4th seeded trio and the 2nd seeded trio vs. the 3rd seeded trio.
- e) The winners of the semi finals are qualified for the final, while the highest seeded of the losing trios will be positioned 3 in the championships and the lowest seeded of the losing trios will be positioned 4 in the championships.
- f) Both semi finals and the final will be one game matches.
- g) The highest seeded trio in each of the three matches will decide whether the match will be played on short oil or on long oil and is also deciding on which lane to begin.

5.5.5 Specifications for the Team event

- a) The Team event qualification will be played in two blocks of three games.
- b) The first block will be played on short oil and the second block on long oil.
- c) The four highest positioned in the Team event qualification are qualified for the semi finals, seeded as 1-4 according to the final standing of the Team event qualification.
- d) The teams in the semi finals will be matched as the 1st seeded team vs. the 4th seeded team and the 2nd seeded team vs. the 3rd seeded team.
- e) The winners of the semi-finals are qualified for the final, while the highest seeded of the losing teams will be positioned 3 in the championships and the lowest seeded of the losing teams will be positioned 4 in the championships.
- f) Both semi finals and the final will be one game matches.
- g) The highest seeded team in each of the three matches will decide whether the match will be played on short oil or on long oil and is also deciding on which lane to begin.

5.5.6 Specifications for the matches of the Masters event

- a) The 24 highest positioned players in the final All Event standing are qualified for the Masters event, seeded as 1-24 in all steps of the Masters event according to their position in the final All Event standing.
- b) In all steps of the Masters event there will head to head matches, where the highest seeded players will be matched against the lowest seeded player.
- c) Each match will consist of 2 or 3 games. If the same player is the winner of the first two games, the 3rd game will not be played.
- d) Each match will be played on one pair of lanes, where the left lane will be dressed with short oil and the right lane with long oil.
- e) Each game in a match will be played on the same lane.
- f) In each match the highest seeded player will decide whether the first game will be played on the left lane or the right lane. The second game will be played on the other lane and an eventually third game at the same lane as the first game.
- g) In each match the highest seeded player is deciding whether he wants to begin the first game or not. In the second game the order of players will be opposite to the first game and in an eventually third game the order of players will be the same as in the first game.
- h) In case of withdrawals from any match in the Masters event, the player without opponent will be declared the winner of the match.

5.5.7 The steps of the Masters event

- a) There will be 8 matches in the Masters event Step 1, including the players seeded 9-24. The winners of the 8 matches will continue to the Masters event Step 2.
- b) There will be 8 matches in the Masters event Step 2, including the players seeded 1-8 plus the 8 winners of the Masters event Step 1. The winners of the 8 matches will continue to the Masters event Step 3.
- c) There will be 4 matches in the Masters event Step 3, including the 8 winners of the Masters event Step 2. The winners of the 4 matches will continue to the Masters event Step 4.
- d) There will be 2 matches in the Masters event Step 4, including the 4 winners of the Masters event Step 3. The winners of the 2 matches will continue to the Masters event Step 5.
- e) There will be 1 match in the Masters event Step 5, including the 2 winners of the Masters event Step 4. The winner of the match is the European Masters Champion.

5.5.8 The final positioning

- a) The winner of the match in the Masters event Step 5 will be positioned as number 1 and the loser of this match as number 2.
- b) The losers of the matches in the Masters event Step 4 will be positioned in the interval 3-4 according to their seeding before the Masters event.
- c) The losers of the matches in the Masters event Step 3 will be positioned in the interval 5-8 according to their seeding before the Masters event.
- d) The losers of the matches in the Masters event Step 2 will be positioned in the interval 9-16 according to their seeding before the Masters event.
- e) The losers of the matches in the Masters event Step 1 will be positioned in the interval 17-24 according to their seeding before the Masters event.
- f) The remaining players will be positioned 25-NN according to their scores in the All Event standing.