



European Shooting Confederation

To the ESC Member Federations

Circular letter

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Dear President

Dear friends

In view of the newly established Olympic Youth Games 2010, the European Youth Shooters should be entitled for the most favourable preparations and conditions in order to achieve the best individual performances possible.

Therefore the ESC is very pleased to introduce to you the European Youth League which will be the basis from which young European athletes will start their qualifications on the road to their first Olympic Youth Games in the year 2010.

At the last ESC Executive Committee Meeting in Osijek in Croatia on 26 June 2008 the regulations for the European Youth League were approved. Please find enclosed a copy. In addition, the regulations can be viewed and downloaded at the ESC website at:

<http://www.esc-shooting.org>

As first steps of the realization we would like to introduce to you in the following a rough time schedule of the League's procedure in preparation of the Olympic Youth Games in 2010:

until 1 October 2008	registration and entries
December 2008	beginning of the qualification rounds and forming of regional competition groups
2009	competitions of the regional groups and finals

We hope that you and your young athletes will take this great opportunity in being part of the European Youth League.

Yours sincerely

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President

European Shooting Confederation



European Youth League

The European Youth League 10 m Air Rifle and 10 m Air Pistol should help to develop the Shooting Sport for young shooters in Europe. This Event could be a qualification event for the Youth Olympic Games or a possibility to gain experience in international competitions.

1.0 General

1.1 Participants

1.1.1 Countries / Nations

Each Member Federation of the ESC can participate with one (1) team in each event

1.1.2 Categories

- Youth shooters male from 14 to 18
- Youth shooters female from 14 to 18

1.1.3 Youth shooters are shooters who will be under the age of 19 on December 31st and over the age of 14 in the year of the competition.

1.1.4 Youth shooters male / female may compete in mixed teams

1.1.5 Teams

A team consists of 3 shooters

A competition is lost if a team does not show up or less than 3 shooters are present. The complete team will be awarded with 2:0 match points and 3:0 individual points.

1.2 Competition Rules

1.2.1 Events and number of shots

10 m Air Rifle – 40 shots (Team only – no individual ranking)
10 m Air Pistol – 40 shots (Team only – no individual ranking)

1.2.2 Shooting times:

5 min Preparation Time
10 min Sighters
50 min Competition Shots EST – on paper targets 60 min.

1.2.3 The top-seeded shooter of the team “A” competes with the highest-seeded shooter of team “B”. The next ranked shooter of team “A” competes with the next ranked shooter of team “B” etc...

1.2.4 The shooter with the highest result wins the point for his team. No counting of inner-tens or count back rules apply.

1.2.5 Ties

- 1.2.5.1 Ties will be broken immediately after the competition by a shot-for-shot shoot-off.
- All shooters have to leave their firing points.
 - Then the tied shooters will be called for the shoot-off.
 - First the tie for the fixture 3, then for the fixture 2 and then for the fixture 1 will be broken if necessary.
 - A preparation time of 2 min will be given and the shoot-off starts on command according to the ISSF Finals rules without sighting shots.
 - There are a maximum of 3 shots with full ring scoring. If there is no solution the next shot(s) will be scored in decimals.

1.3 Results

- 1.3.1 Only team results will be entered in the ranking table.

The winning team receives 2 match points.

- 1.3.2 The results can be 3:0 or 2:1 individual points for one competition.

- 1.3.4 Ranking Table – the following criteria will apply:

- Total of match points (1.3.1)
- If the match points are tied then the results of the individual points are counted (1.3.2)
- If there is a further tie – then the direct comparison of the tied teams will count.
- A further tie will be broken by the total of individual points on position 1, 2 etc...

1.4 Seed List

- 1.4.1 Shooters before a competition are seeded on a Seed List to ensure the best shooters of a team compete together.

- 1.4.2 The seed list in the beginning is composed by the 3 highest results of the previous season.

- 1.4.3 After a competition a new seed list will be created.

- 1.4.4 The seed list is under control of the League Director appointed by the ESC.

1.5 Entries

- 1.5.1 Each participating ESC Member Federation can enter 8 shooters 10 m AR and 8 shooters for 10 m AP.

- 1.5.2 Each entered shooter must have an ISSF ID Number.

- 1.5.3 Entry Fee

The Entry Fee for a team of three (3) shooters is € **500,--** per season for the Qualification Round and € **500,--** for the Finals Round.

For each additional used shooter in the Qualification or Finals Round a Entry Fee of € **100,--** must be paid.

All entry fees must be paid to the organisers.

2 Conduct of the competition – administration

There is a Qualification and a Final

2.1 Qualification Rounds

- 2.1.1 Regional Qualification Rounds

In each Qualification Round compete 5 Teams 10 m AR and 5 Teams 10 m AP.

- 2.1.1.1 There will be Regional Qualification Rounds on 3 shooting ranges:

The division (group) is West – North – East

2.1.1.2 Arrangement of teams: See the Map

2.1.1.3 Regional Group Manager

West – Ghislaine Briez / FRA, gbriez@fftir.org

North – Kerstin Bodin / SWE, kerstin.bodin@telia.com

East – Anatoli Aktov & RUS, aaktov@yahoo.com

2.2 Qualifying in the first year

2.2.1 Registration for the qualification round

The national Shooting Federations have to register their teams to the relevant Regional Group Manager. The Regional Group Managers collect the entries and compose the qualification competitions.

According to the registered number of teams the Regional Group Managers will arrange the qualification rounds.

Qualification rounds may be arranged at international Youth Competitions e.g. Alps Cup, European 10 m Championships (on special request and agreement with the organisers), mutual competitions for two or more teams etc.

2.2.2 If there are more than 5 teams entered in 10 m AR and 5 Teams 10 m AP a qualification competition must be conducted. EST and paper targets may be used. The ranking will be done according to the ISSF Rules for team results (40 shots in 75 min and unlimited sighting shots before the first competition shot). Each qualification competition must be supervised by an ISSF Judge appointed by the ESC.

2.2.3 The 5 best Teams 10 m AR and 5 Teams 10 m AP are entitled to compete in the relevant Regional Qualification Round in a Regional Group of 5 teams.

2.3 Conduct of the Qualification Round for the Finals

3 shooters of the 8 entered shooters (1.5.1) compete in a competition as the team. For the next competition the team may be composed from the above entered shooters etc...

The teams are numbered from 1 to 5 for Air Rifle and from 1-5 for Air Pistol.

2.3.1 Time table

2.3.1.1 Friday: Arrival and Pre-Event training for all teams.

2.3.1.2	Saturday Competition	09:00	1-3 AR/AP	2-4 AR/AP
		11:30	1-5 AR/AP	2-3 AR/AP
		14:00	4-5 AR/AP	
2.3.1.3	Sunday Competition and departure.	09:00	1-2 AR/AP	3-4 AR/AP
		11:30	2-5 AR/AP	
		14:00	1-4 AR/AP	3-5 AR/AP

2.4 Qualifying for the Finals Round

The first 2 teams of each Regional Group are entitled to participate in the European Youth League Finals.

2.5 Conduct of the European Youth League Finals

All shooting will be done according to 1.2 and 1.3

Two (2) Competition Groups are composed by drawing of lots of the first three teams of each Regional Group and the second three teams of each Regional Group.

The three teams of a Competition Group will compete team versus team to qualify for the finals.

The two second ranked teams of both groups will compete then for Bronze.

The 2 winners of both groups compete for Gold and Silver

2.5.1 Time table

2.5.1.1 Friday: Arrival and Pre-Event training for all teams

2.5.1.2	Saturday Competition	09:00	1-3	AR/AP
		11:30	1-2	AR/AP
		14:00	2-3	AR/AP
2.5.1.3	Sunday Competition and departure.	10:00	Bronze Match	AR/AP
		12:00	Gold Match	AP
		14:00	Gold Match	AR

2.6 Qualifying and Relegations

2.6.1 The last team in the league after finishing the Qualifying Round for the Finals Round must be relegated.

2.6.2 To fill this place a qualifying according 2.2 will be conducted. Only one (1) team can be promoted for the Finals Qualifying Round. The relegated team may compete to qualify again for the Finals Qualifying Round.

3 Shooting Ranges

3.1 Number of Firing Points

Minimum 25 Firing Points – recommended are 30 Firing Points

3.2 Equipment:

Electronic Targets, monitors, projectors, support and music will be used.

3.3 To be completed.

4 Protests

4.1 Protests for the entries and the qualification competitions for the entries will be decided by the ESC Presidium.

4.2 For the Qualifying to the Finals and the Finals a Jury will be appointed by the ESC Presidium.

4.3 The protest fee of is determined to € 50,-- for each protest.

5 General

5.1 This programme is subject to change.

5.2 The participation in this Youth League acknowledges the rules and regulations above. No legal process is possible.

5.3 The programme and the conduct of the Youth League is the sole property of the ESC.

5.4 All rights are reserved by the ESC.

5.5 Time line and deadlines

01.10.2008 Entries & registration

01.12.2008 Qualification rounds and composing of the Regional Competition Groups.

The Competition schedule for the Qualifying for the Finals and the Finals will be announced by the ESC Presidium

6 Approval

The programme above was approved by the ESC Presidium during the Meeting in Osijek / CRO on 26th June 2008.

Arrangement of Competition Groups

EAST		NORTH		WEST	
ALB	Albania	DEN	Denmark	AND	Andorra
ARM	Armenia	EST	Estonia	AUT	Austria
AZE	Azerbaijan	FIN	Finland	BEL	Belgium
BIH	Bosnia and Herzegovina	GBR	Great Britain	CZE	Czech Republic
BLR	Belarus	IRL	Ireland	ESP	Spain
BUL	Bulgaria	ISL	Iceland	FRA	France
CRO	Croatia	LAT	Latvia	GER	Germany
CYP	Cyprus	LTU	Lithuania	HUN	Hungary
GEO	Georgia	NOR	Norway	ITA	Italy
GRE	Greece	POL	Poland	LIE	Liechtenstein
ISR	Israel	SWE	Sweden	LUX	Luxembourg
MDA	Republic of Moldova			MLT	Malta
MKD	F. Y. R. of Macedonia			MON	Monaco
MNE	Republic of Montenegro			NED	Netherlands
ROU	Romania			POR	Portugal
RUS	Russian Federation			SLO	Slovenia
SRB	Republic of Serbia			SVK	Slovakia
TUR	Turkey			SMR	San Marino
UKR	Ukraine			SUI	Switzerland

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Registration Form – please return at latest by 01.10.2008

Name of Federation	
IOC – Code	
Contact person	
Phone number	
Fax number	
E-mail address	

Please choose your Regional Group and send the form to the Regional Group Manager

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West	Ghislaine Briez / FRA	gbriez@fftir.org

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ARM	Armenia	EST	Estonia	AUT	Austria
AZE	Azerbaijan	FIN	Finland	BEL	Belgium
BIH	Bosnia and Herzegovina	GBR	Great Britain	CZE	Czech Republic
BLR	Belarus	IRL	Ireland	ESP	Spain
BUL	Bulgaria	ISL	Iceland	FRA	France
CRO	Croatia	LAT	Latvia	GER	Germany
CYP	Cyprus	LTU	Lithuania	HUN	Hungary
GEO	Georgia	NOR	Norway	ITA	Italy
GRE	Greece	POL	Poland	LIE	Liechtenstein
ISR	Israel	SWE	Sweden	LUX	Luxembourg
MDA	Republic of Moldova			MLT	Malta
MKD	F. Y. R. of Macedonia			MON	Monaco
MNE	Republic of Montenegro			NED	Netherlands
ROU	Romania			POR	Portugal
RUS	Russian Federation			SLO	Slovenia
SRB	Republic of Serbia			SVK	Slovakia
TUR	Turkey			SMR	San Marino
UKR	Ukraine			SUI	Switzerland