



# EUROPEAN SUMO FEDERATION

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### European Sumo Federation

*Recognized by the IFS Federation*

## THE OFFICIAL EUROPEAN CONTINENTAL SUMO CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018

26 - 29 April 2018, PLOVDIV, BULGARIA

### OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM AND INVITATION

The European Sumo Federation and the Bulgarian Sumo Federation would like to invite your Federation to participate to the Official European Continental Sumo Championships 2018 in Plovdiv, Bulgaria.

**01. Title of event:** The Official European Continental Sumo Championships 2018

16<sup>th</sup> Youths under 21 years (MU21/WU21) 27 April

6<sup>th</sup> Youths elder under 23 years (MU23/WU23) 28 April

23<sup>rd</sup> Senior Men and Women (M/W) 29 April

**02. Objective:** To develop Sumo within Europe and exchange social and cultural ties among participating countries. The reunification of the European Sumo Family.

**03. Organizer:** The European Sumo Federation (EFS) and the Bulgarian Sumo Federation

**04. Date of competition:** 26<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

**05. Competition venue:** Plovdiv University Sports Hall, 236A Bulgaria Blv., 4027 Plovdiv, Bulgaria

**06. Registration address and accreditation:** Plovdiv University Sports Hall, 236A Bulgaria Blv., 4027 Plovdiv

**07. Participation:**

All Member Federations registered to the European Sumo Federation may participate so long as the annual membership fee of **150 EUR** to the EFS has paid for the year 2018 by the time of registrations and that there are no other outstanding payments due to the EFS in any form whatsoever.

**08. Media accreditation:** To be issued by the Bulgarian Sumo Federation [bfsumo@abv.bg](mailto:bfsumo@abv.bg)

**09. Registration of athletes:**

(1) The attached competition entry forms are to be filled in with capital letters and to be sent to the European Sumo Federation by e-mail [riho.rannikmaa@eestisumo.ee](mailto:riho.rannikmaa@eestisumo.ee) and to the Bulgarian Sumo Federation by mail [bfsumo@abv.bg](mailto:bfsumo@abv.bg) Applications will only be accepted on the official entry forms. Uncompleted forms will not be accepted.

(2) The initial application deadline is **16<sup>th</sup> March 2018**. Here you must send an intention that your federation will participate in ESC 2018. **The final application deadline for athlete's participation is 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018**. All countries must register for all athletes, officials to the European Continental Sumo Championships 2018 by the above mentioned application date.

(3) If after the closing date **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 17:00 CET** there are any changes whatsoever to the athlete's registrations, change of athlete, late entry then a **double entry** fee will be charged. If athletes are cancelled after the closing date the entry fee has to be paid and will not be refunded. All outstanding amounts must be paid full in cash before admittance to the championships.

(4) All entries will only be accepted on the official EFS entry forms. (There will be no exceptions) and must arrive by the official closing dates.

(5) **Site of accreditation:** Plovdiv University Sports Hall, 236A Bulgaria Blv., 4027 Plovdiv  
**For the accreditation only the delegation leader is requested to be present.**

**Ordinary Congress of EFS:** Park hotel Sankt Peterburg, 97 Bulgaria Blv., Plovdiv

**Weigh-in:** Plovdiv University Sports Hall, 236A Bulgaria Blv., 4027 Plovdiv

**Draw:** TBA,

(6) **Referee Seminar:** TBA, TBC

All referees must obtain their EFS tournament licence 2018 at the seminar. All referee applications must be sent to Vice-President Refereeing [info@sumo.az](mailto:info@sumo.az) not later than 16 April 2018 at 17:00 C.E.T.

(7) **Meeting of the members of the DC:** TBA, TBC

(8) At the official control of nations the names submitted are final and all fees paid at this time are not refundable whatsoever. If your delegation leader is not available to attend at this date and time then the last athlete change will be accepted by mail until 17:00h. C.E.T. on **16<sup>th</sup> April 2018** to the office of the General Secretary and the Sports director [riho.rannikmaa@eestisumo.ee](mailto:riho.rannikmaa@eestisumo.ee) and [bfsumo@abv.bg](mailto:bfsumo@abv.bg)

(9) **Team list** with the names and start order must be entered no later than **60 minutes** before the start of the team tournament, this must be handed to the EFS Sports Director and all payments must be settled before that. The draw will then be made. Once the draw has been made no other team entries will be accepted. (This is only applicable for the Open)

## **10. Travel Expenses:**

(1) Each individual Federation is responsible for the all travel costs incurred in the transportation of its delegation including visa applications.

(2) All Federations requiring visas are kindly requested to apply well in advance minimum 25 days before the beginning of the tournament.

(3) The organizer will provide a transport from Sofia / Plovdiv Airports, Plovdiv railway station to the hotels, sports hall and back.

(4) All participating federations have to send by mail to the organizer the necessary travel details for arrival/departure [bfsumo@abv.bg](mailto:bfsumo@abv.bg)

## **11. Accommodation and meals expenses:**

Official accommodation shall be 4 days and 3 nights in 3 price categories. Accommodation starts on 26 April.

1. Hotel category A price 55 Euro including only breakfast

2. Hotel category B price 50 Euro including only breakfast

3. Hotel category C price 40 Euro including only breakfast

The number of beds in the hotels categories A and C are limited. There are single or double rooms in the hotels.

Organizer also provides a coupon meals (package box) for: lunch - 7.5 Euro and for dinner - 7.5 Euro per meals. Please apply for meals together with accommodation sheet.

**Deadline for the hotel reservations and coupon meals/lunch and dinner/ is 06 April 2018. After this deadline the price of accommodation increasing by € 10 per person per night.**

**If participants do not use accommodation provided by the organizer they will be required to pay a fee of € 200 per person for accreditation otherwise they will not be allowed to participate.**

## **12. Competition rules:**

(1) The competition shall be conducted based on the IFS regulations together with application of the double repêchage system. If there are 5 or less athletes in a weight group a pool system may be used.

(2) Mawashi approved by the EFS must be worn.

(a) All male athletes may wrestle in a black tight underpants under mawashi. The length of the underpants must cover the whole thigh. This includes the prize awarding ceremonies.

(b) All female athletes must wrestle in a one-piece wrestling leotard plus Mawashi. Women may not compete, wearing t-shirts.

(c) All mawashi must conform to international regulations, if not, it is possible that the mawashi will be invalid for the tournament and another mawashi may have to be used by the wrestler, at the discretion of the refereeing director a suitable substitute mawashi cannot be found and used within a reasonable amount of time the athlete may have to forfeit the match. Also all mawashi must be dry and not wet and made of recognised fabric.

(d) Each contestant is responsible for bringing his own mawashi, leotard and underpants.

(e) Provided by the organizer country identification (Zekken) must be worn.

(3) Team competition: Men and Women consisting of open weight, each 3 wrestlers plus one reserve. A reserve wrestler may only be used once, after this there can be no further changes in the team. For the team event there must be a minimum of two wrestlers. Please note for the team event the fighting order will be controlled during the entrance to the dohyo. All athletes competing in the team event must be able to prove their identity if approached by a controlling official.

(4) Individual competition in weight categories (quantity of participants from country) as follows:

WU21: -55kg (2), -60kg (2), -65kg (2), -70kg (2), -75kg (2), -80kg (2), +80kg (2), Open (2), Team (1)

MU21: -60kg (2), -70kg (2), -77kg, -85kg (2), -92kg (2), -100kg (2), -115kg (2), +115kg (2), Open (2), Team (1)

WU23: -55kg (2), -60kg, -65kg (2), -73kg (2), -80kg (2), -95kg (2), +95kg (2), Open (2), Team (1)

MU23: -70kg (2), -77kg, -85kg (2), -92kg (2), -100kg (2), -115kg (2), +115kg (2), Open (2), Team (1)

Sen W: -55kg (2), -60kg, -65kg (2), -73kg (2), -80kg (2), -95kg (2), +95kg (2), Open (2), Team (1)

Sen M: -70kg (2), -77kg, -85kg (2), -92kg (2), -100kg (2), -115kg (2), +115kg (2), Open (2), Team (1)

(5) Prizes: Winners will receive Gold, Silver and Bronze medals.

## **13. Financial requirements:**

(1) Entry fee will be charged for all athletes mentioned in the official entry form! The entry fee per athlete per weight category is € 30 for U21, U23 and € 50 for seniors. Each country may participate maximum with 2 athletes in category.

The entry fee per Team event is € 50 for U21, U23 and € 100 for seniors. All fees paid to the EFS at registration and accreditation upon arrival on **26<sup>th</sup> April 2018** in cash only are non-refundable. (Except Open and Team)

(2) EFS membership fee: If the annual EFS fee of € 150 per federation for the current year 2018 has not been paid as well as any other outstanding payments to the EFS, registration and entrance to the European Sumo Championships and Congress 2018 will not be allowed until such payment has been made.

#### **14. Health Insurance and Anti-Doping:**

(1) Each federation is obliged to insure all athletes and officials against sickness, injury or death.

(2) Neither the organising country nor the European Sumo Federation will be responsible for any sickness, injury or death of any athlete or official incurred before, during and after the ESC 2018.

(3) The organizer shall provide first aid for injuries sustained during the championships but shall not be held liable for such injuries or any other accidents also not be able to treat any other ailments not due to injury (such as stomach-ache or headache)

**15. Anti-Doping tests will be conducted during the championships.** Athletes will be randomly selected for testing, both before competitions (at weigh-in for example) and also after medal ceremonies. Any athlete discovered positive will be signalled to the EFS disciplinary commission. Any athlete refusing to sign the forbidden substances document or refusing to undergo these anti-doping controls when requested to will be automatically considered **positive!**

#### **SPECIAL NOTES**

\*All visa applications must be sent to the Bulgarian Sumo Federation before **01 April 2018**.

\*Tournament registration to be sent to the European Sumo Federation and the Sports Director.

\*By the control of nations there has to be at least one representative from the registering Federation.

\*At the draw there has to be one representative per federation. After the draw has been made there can be no changes.

\*During the tournament will be used 1 dohyo with plastic mattresses.

#### **16. DATES, EVENTS, AGE AND WEIGHT CATEGORIES: PROGRAMME**

##### **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018 Arrivals of all participants**

09:00 - 19:00h	Accreditation of all Athletes at the Sports hall
16:00 - 19:00h	Weigh-in: U21, U23 and seniors
19:00 - 20:00h	Technical meeting and draw for weight categories U21

##### **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2018 Sports hall start at 10:30h U21**

07:00 - 08:30h	Breakfast at Hotels
<b>09:00 - 10:00h</b>	<b>EFS Board meeting at TBA, TBC</b>
10:00 - 10:30h	Referee seminar at Sports hall

10:30 - 13:00h	WU21: -55kg, -60kg, -65kg, -70kg, -75kg, -80kg, + 80kg
<b>13:00 - 14:00h</b>	<b>OPENING CEREMONY</b>
14:00 - 16:30h	MU21: -60kg, -70kg, -77kg, -85kg, -92kg, -100kg, -115kg, + 115kg
16:30 - 17:00h	WU21: Open (draw will be at 14:00h) DON'T BE LATE!!!
17:00 - 17:30h	MU21: Open (draw will be at 16:45h) DON'T BE LATE!!!
17:30 - 18:30h	Teams: WU21/ MU21 (draw will be at 17:30h)
18:30 - 20:00h	Awarding ceremony
15:00 - 17:00h	2 <sup>nd</sup> weigh-in for U23 and seniors
20:00 - 21:00h	Technical meeting and draw for weight categories U23

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2018      Sports hall start at 09:30h U23**

07:00 - 08:30h	Breakfast at Hotels
09:30 - 12:00h	WU23: -55kg, -60kg, -65kg, -73kg, -80kg, -95kg, + 95kg
12:00 - 14:30h	MU23: -70kg, -77kg, -85kg, -92kg, -100kg, -115kg, + 115kg
14:30 - 15:00h	WU23: Open (draw will be at 12:15h) DON'T BE LATE!!!
15:00 - 15:30h	MU23: Open (draw will be at 14:45h) DON'T BE LATE!!!
15:30 - 16:30h	Teams: WU23 / MU23 (draw will be 15:30h)
16:30 - 18:00h	Award ceremony
15:00 - 17:00h	3 <sup>rd</sup> weigh-in for seniors
18:00 - 18:30h	Technical meeting and draw for seniors
<b>18:30 - 20:00h</b>	<b>EFS - GENERAL ASSEMBLY</b>

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018      Start at 09:30 h. (Seniors W/M)**

07:00 - 08:30h	Breakfast at Hotels
09:30 - 12:00h	Women: -55kg, -60kg, -65kg, -73kg, -80kg, -95kg, + 95kg
12:00 - 14:30h	Men: -70kg, -77kg, -85kg, -92kg, -100kg, -115kg, + 115kg
14:30 - 15:00h	Women: Open (draw will be at 12:15h) DON'T BE LATE!!!
15:00 - 15:30h	Men: Open (draw will be at 14:45h) DON'T BE LATE!!!
15:30 - 16:30h	Teams: W / M (draws will be at 15:30h)
16:30 - 18:00h	Award ceremony
<b>18:00 - 18:30h</b>	<b>CLOSING CEREMONY</b>
20:00 - 22:30h	Sayonara party at TBA, TBC

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018      Departure of all delegations**

**Remarks:**

1. Competition for all starts with women first from lightweight upwards, Open and Team.
2. Repêchage in each weight category will start immediately after the elimination rounds.
3. The meetings in each category includes the final.
4. Awarding Ceremony will be held immediately after all fights for the day.

**Please note start times and locations may be subject to change.**

Organizing committee and assistance: [bfsumo@abv.bg](mailto:bfsumo@abv.bg)