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Men's World Championships

7 - 9 December 2012

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Men's World Futnet Championships

- ° World's most spectacular futnet
- ° Record participation expected by UNIF member as well as non-member countries
- ° Three titles to give away in the three futnet disciplines triple, double and single
- ° UNIF President's Cup for the best nation of the championship
- ° Thousands of fans to cheer on their teams





Opening and medal ceremony of Men's World Championship 2008

Men's World Futnet Championships are the top international futnet competion, held in individual disciplines – single, double and triple. They are open to all UNIF member and non-member national associations as well as the countries where no national futnet association has been formed yet.

This year the World Championships are coming back to the country which gave this sport to the world almost 100 years ago and where this event is eagerly awaited by thousands of fans as the highlight of the year. Last year's decision of the futnet world-governing body *Union Internationale de Futnet* (UNIF) to award the hosting of the World Championships to the Czech Republic coincided with 40th anniversary of the existence of the *Czech Futnet Association* which is keen to show the world that futnet is a sport not only with a great tradition, but above all a fantastic future as one of the most spectacular and dynamic sports.

Futnet players and fans from all countries are invited to come and join in this great futnet event which will take place from Friday, 7 December, till Sunday, 9 December, in the town of Nymburk, near the beautiful Czech capital of Prague.

I. Conditions of participation

The World Championships are open to all UNIF member and non-member national associations as well as the countries where no national futnet association has been formed yet after complying with the following conditions:

- 1. registration for participation <u>as a minimum in the doubles and triples</u> and payment of the corresponding fees within the deadline
- 2. nomination of eligible players

The maximum number of participants, including a possible qualifying round, is 24 in each discipline. In case of a higher number of registered countries, priority will be given to UNIF member and candidate nations. In case of other countries, the order in which the applications have been sent will be taken into account.

UNIF members



Membership candidates



Eligibility of players

The players must hold the citizenship of the country they represent and be able to prove it with a valid passport or another official identification card. All the players must be included in the official nomination list signed by their national futnet association or the corresponding authority/official in case of the countries with no national association. All the players in one double or triple must be members of the same national futnet association. One player may participate in all three disciplines.

In case the player is eligible to play for two or more countries, he/she may play for different national teams, but never in the same year.

National associations are responsible for the state of health of all the members of their delegation and shall ensure that they have full health insurance.

II. Competition

Playing format

The exact playing format shall be defined within 15 days of the deadline for application for the world championships based on the number of participants. If necessary, qualifying competition for each discipline shall be organised in the place of the World Championships the day(s) immediately precedening the main competition.

Preliminary schedule

Groups matches and, if applicable, a qualifying round, in all disciplines will take place on the first competition day, the knock-out stage on the second day and the last day of the championships will offer all final and 3rd place matches.

Rules

Laws of Futnet as enacted by UNIF at its General Assembly in October 2011: http://unifut.net/files/futnetlaws.pdf

Participants

Each single consists of only one player, each double consists of minimum two players and maximum three players (one is a substitute) and each triple consists of minimum three players and maximum five players (two are substitutes).

Competition venue

The Sports Centre Nymburk has three sports hall with Taraflex surface. In the central hall two courts may be set for a possible qualifying round in which case original wooden flooring would be used.

<u>Central hall</u> – recently reconstructed with the capacity of 1 700 people will host some of the group matches and all semifinal and finals matches.





<u>Basketball and tennis halls</u> – matches in basic groups and matches for 9th- 16th place with the capacity of some 50 persons in each hall.





III. National delegations

The organising association shall cover the accommodation and boarding costs of maximum 11 persons per delegation from the evening of 6 December to the morning of 10 December. Each national delegation shall include:

- no more than one player for single, three players for double and five for triple,
- one coach,
- one UNIF referee.

The official delegation whose expenses are paid by the organisers is strictly reserved for the abovementioned persons. In case of a smaller delegation, the remaining places may not be taken by any other person.

Accredited members of national delegations will benefit from the following services:

<u>Accommodation</u> from Thursday, 6th December till Monday, 9th December in the Sports Centre's own hotel facility

Boarding starts with dinner on Thursday and finishes with breakfast on Monday

Wellness facilities - swimming pool, sauna, jacuzzi

Player`s Lounge (water, fresh fruits and cereals) from Friday till Sunday

Evening party - Sunday 18.00 - 02,00

<u>Transport</u> from Prague airport or from Nymburk's railway station to the place of the championship – Sport Centre Nymburk

The official delegation may be larger, but any additional persons shall cover all their expenses themselves. The presence of any additional persons in the delegation – coach assistant, head of delegation, masseur, doctor etc – must be notified in advance. The fee of 100 € per person will include all the abovementioned services.



The head of the delegation may be one of the persons whose costs are covered by the organisers (excluding the referee) or it may be one of the additional persons who will cover all their expenses themselves.

The total number of players in the delegation must correspond with the number of disciplines applied for. If the association registers only in doubles and triples, the maximum number of players in the delegation whose costs are covered by the organisers is eight, one coach and one UNIF referee have the right of presence in any case.





Accreditation

Accreditation will take place on Thursday, 6 December, from 12.00 till 20.00 in the hotel foyer of Sports Centre Nymburk. Competition registration fee of 10 € per player is payable in cash at the accreditation desk.

Accommodation

Hotel*** Sports Centre Nymburk. Single, double and triple rooms with shower and TV. Including free entry to swimming pool, sauna and jacuzzi.





single/double room

triple room

Boarding

All meals are served in the dining room.

Breakfast 06,30 - 09,00

Lunch 11,30 – 14,30

Dinner 18,00 – 20,30





Dining room

Sport Bar

IV. Application process

Application form

All countries have to send in the attached application form, duly signed and scanned **before**15 June to UNIF at worldcup2012@unifut.net and pay the corresponding participation fees also **before 15 June** to UNIF account. Account details are in a separate attachment.

Participation fee

All UNIF members that are in good standing within UNIF and their corresponding continental association have the right to participate paying a deposit fee of 200 EUR returnable upon their participation in the championships.

Non-UNIF countries shall pay a non-returnable participation fee of 400 EUR per delegation. In case a non-UNIF country applies also for participation at Women's and Juniors World Championships in both categories, the participation fee for Men's World Championships will be reduced to 300 EUR.

Refereeing fee

There is an obligation of presence of one UNIF-licensed referee in each national delegation. The referee cannot be one of the players or coaches taking part in the World Championships. Each delegation without a licensed UNIF referee shall pay a fee of 200 EUR to the UNIF Technical Committee at the technical meeting before the championship. More information in Refereeing attachment.

V. Other information

Names of players

Names of the players are not required with the application form, they will be necessary at a later stage for accreditation and promotion purposes.

Tickets

Tickets will be on sale as of September 2012. Accommodation options will be given after the deadline for applications.

Webpage and webstreaming

Championship webpage is under construction and should be up and running no later than May.

All matches will be broadcasted online via TV Com www.tvcom.cz.

Information

Any questions and comments about the World Championships may be addressed to the Organisation Committee and/or UNIF officials whose contact details may be found below.

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