# General Rules of the European Club Championships 2025

#### Introduction

Since 2024 the European Club Championships - Champions League will be held for Mixed Teams.

The *Champions League* 2025 will be held in Belgrade (Serbia) on Saturday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> 2025.

## 1. General Rules of the European Club Championships - Champions League 2025

2.1. The event will be held as one-level competition using the Olympic format of Mixed Teams.

### 2. General Organisation of the Champions League 2025

- 2.1 Automatic Qualification: The four medallist clubs from the 2024 ECC automatically qualify.
- 2.2 National Federation Nominations: Besides the medallist clubs, each National Federation can nominate up to four clubs, BUT an overall quota of 6 clubs per Federation applies. For instance, if there are 3 clubs from one Federation among the medallist clubs, this Federation can only add three more clubs.
- 2.3 Participation quota per Club: 1 team per club.
- 2.4 Wild Cards can be given upon approval of EJU Executive Committee.

#### 3. Club Membership of Athletes

- 3.1 The clubs participating in the *ECC-Champions League* are obliged to sign binding agreements with athletes to represent the club for calendar year 2025. The agreements (acknowledgement form provided by EJU) must be signed before entry deadline. Clubs must be ready to present the signed agreements to EJU upon request.
- 3.2 Clubs are obliged to register all athletes in IJF Judobase (instructions for this procedure can be found in the outlines).
- 3.3 Once an athlete signs for a club he/she is bound for this particular club and he/she cannot be transferred to another club in running calendar year.
- 3.4 An athlete who would sign for more than one club in particular year will be suspended from participation in *Champions League* in that year.

#### 4. Foreign Judoka

- 4.1 There is maximum quota of 2 (two) foreign judoka in a team for each team contest. In case the team is represented in a team contest by total of 4 athletes the quota is one (1) foreign judoka in a team.
- 4.2 Foreign judoka: a judoka registered in IJF Judobase under different nationality than the country the Club is representing in *ECC-Champions League* is defined as foreign judoka.
- 4.3 The IJF rules of changing nationality fully apply for European Club Championships.
- 4.4 In case of double (multiple) citizenship of an athlete the relevant nationality is based on the nationality the athletes holds in IJF WRL (Olympic Charter fully applies)

#### 5. Seeding

A maximum of 8 teams will be seeded according to the European Clubs team ranking list, using a combination of men & women ranking points from 2022 and 2023 as well as the mixed team results of 2024.

#### 6. Special Provision

Any unexpected situations not covered by these rules will be resolved by EJU decision.

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