

G OLYMPIC SINGLES QUALIFICATION 2016

G.1 AUTHORITY FOR ORGANISATION

- G.1.1 The Olympic Singles Qualification tournament – men’s singles and women’s singles - shall be organised by one member Association appointed by the ETTU Executive Board.
- G.1.2 Application procedure and decision
- G.1.2.1 Any Association wishing to organise the event shall send a written application to the Secretary General.
- G.1.2.2 The following conditions have to be acknowledged:
- The closing date for applications shall be specified by the Executive Board and notified to all Associations.
 - Applications must be in line with the relevant Regulations, Directives as well as the Technical and Economic Directives.
 - All details of organisation must be included in the presentation of the venue to the Executive Board, on the basis of the directives for presentations.
- G.1.2.3 The Regulations, the Technical and Economic Directives and the directives for presentations can be obtained from the Secretary General, who will also set the date for the presentations.
- G.1.2.4 The Executive Board shall appoint the organising Association, after the evaluation of the presentations held by the applicants.
- G.1.2.5 The tournament shall be organised according to the provisions of a contract between ETTU and the Host Association to be signed no later than 12 months before the start of the tournament.

G.2 RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

- G.2.1 All international TV, Internet, equipment, advertising and marketing rights are vested in the ETTU. The exact distribution of responsibilities in these sectors shall be stated in the Technical and Economic Directives and finally laid down in the contract between ETTU and the Host Association.
- G.2.2 All gate receipts belong to the Host Association.

G.3 QUALIFICATION

- G.3.1 The Olympic Singles Qualification tournament shall be open to all European National Olympic Committees, which shall enter the players through the ETTU member Associations concerned.
- G.3.2 All players shall be eligible to represent their National Olympic Committee according to the IOC regulations.

G.4 DATE and DURATION

- G.4.1 The tournament shall be held on the dates fixed by the ETTU in agreement with the ITTF.
- G.4.2 The tournament shall be played over a period of 5 days.
- G.4.3 The organising Association, in cooperation with the ETTU Competition Manager, shall submit an outline schedule to the Chairman of the Technical Committee for approval.

G.5 EVENTS

G.5.1 The tournament shall include men's singles and women's singles.

G.6 LEVIES

G.6.1 The organising Association shall pay to the ETTU a levy of 20,000 €.

G.6.2 There shall be a levy of 100 € per participating player, payable to the ETTU.

G.7 ENTRIES

G.7.1 Numbers

G.7.1.1 The numbers of players which may be entered by a NOC will be approved by the Executive Board and made known to all Associations not later than 12 months before the tournament.

G.7.2 Entry Forms

G.7.2.1 Entry forms shall be agreed with the Secretary General and shall include a statement to be signed by an official of the nominating NOC on behalf of its players, that they understand and accept the conditions of the tournament and that they are prepared to compete against all other players participating.

G.7.2.2 Entry forms shall be sent by the organising Association to all member Associations not later than 3 months before the start of the tournament.

G.7.2.3 Completed entry forms shall be sent to the ETTU not later than 2 months before the start of the tournament.

G.7.2.4 ETTU will accept only entry forms properly signed by a representative of the nominating NOC, which are received on or before the closing date.

G.7.3 Modification

G.7.3.1 The Secretary General may accept alterations of names only, if notified by an authorised representative of the nominating Association confirmed by the NOC concerned, and only up to the dead-line fixed in the prospectus, (usually 4 days before the start of the event).

G.8 HOSPITALITY

G.8.1 The organising Association shall provide free hospitality from the evening before the tournament begins until the morning after it ends for

G.8.1.1 the Executive Board members, the Press and Medical Officials or their deputies, the Chairmen of the Ranking and Technical Committees, the Competition Manager and up to 5 ETTU staff members;

G.8.1.2 all invited foreign referees and umpires.

G.8.2 The organising Association shall provide free hospitality and reimburse the travel costs for the ETTU Competition Manager when he inspects the facilities and proposed playing conditions of the tournament.

G.8.3 The cost of hospitality for participants of the tournament shall be agreed in advance by the Executive Board.

G.9 THE DRAW

- G.9.1 The draw for singles events shall be public and take place the day before the start of the tournament.
- G.9.2 The draw shall be conducted by the ETTU Competition Manager.
- G.9.3 The Executive Board shall determine the ITTF World ranking list to be used as the basis for the seeding list.

G.10 JURY

- G.10.1 The Jury shall consist of the Chairmen of the Ranking and Technical Committees, a representative of the organising Association, the ETTU Secretary General or representative of the Executive Board and the Referee or his deputy.
- G.10.2 The chairman of the Jury shall be the Chairman of the Technical Committee.
- G.10.3 All members of the Jury shall have the right to speak and to vote.
- G.10.4 The ETTU Competition Manager may attend the Jury meetings with the right to speak but without the right to vote.
- G.10.5 The Jury shall meet on the eve of the tournament and at any other time when necessary.

G.11 SYSTEM OF PLAY

- G.11.1 The system of play shall be approved by the Executive Board and made known to all member Associations at least 9 months before the tournament.

G.12 OLYMPIC REGULATIONS

- G.12.1 The organising Association and all participants shall observe all special regulations for Olympic Singles Qualification events agreed by the ETTU and the ITTF with the IOC.

G.13 TROPHIES and AWARDS

- G.13.1 There are no official ETTU trophies or awards.

G.14 FLAGS and ANTHEMS

- G.14.1 If flags or national anthems are used they shall be those of the countries of the NOC to which belong the players taking part in the tournament.

G.15 REFEREES and UMPIRES

- G.15.1. Latest 6 months before the event, the ETTU Umpires and Referees Committee shall send to the Secretary General for the Executive Board's approval the proposal for appointing a Referee and, latest 4 months before, for one or more Deputy Referees. All referees shall be International Referees from an ETTU member Association. If available at least one member of the referee team shall be from the organising Association. All referees shall arrive at the venue two days before the start of the event.

G.15.2 All umpires shall be International Umpires. At least 1/3 of the total of umpires needed shall be from foreign ETTU member Associations. No later than 5 months before the event, the ETTU Umpires and Referees Committee, after coordination with the organising Association, will post a public call for umpires interested to officiate at the event onto the ETTU home page, and will send respective invitations to all member Associations. Together with the organising Association, the ETTU URC will set up a list of the appointed number of umpires. No later than 3 months before the event, the ETTU shall inform the member Associations about the selections and post the list onto the ETTU URC homepage. For all matches the umpires shall be from Associations other than those of the players in the match.

G.15.3 All invited foreign officials shall receive from the organising Association a daily allowance in accordance with ITTF Directives for Match Officials.

G.16 FACILITIES

G.16.1 The organising Association shall ensure free access to any part of the playing hall for all persons mentioned in G.8.1.1 and shall provide them with preferential seats throughout the tournament. .

G.17 ELECTRONIC TOURNAMENT SYSTEM

G.17.1 ETTU approved electronic tournament system must be used for the tournament.