

# EUROPEAN TABLE TENNIS UNION ORLEN 2023 European Youth Championships 14.-23.07.2023, Gliwice, Poland





#### REFEREE TECHNICAL INFORMATION - ORLEN 2023 EUROPEAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

# REFEREE TEAM INTRODUCTION AND ROLE

The referee team of the Championships consists of:

•	NUZZO Francesco (ITA)	Referee
•	FIDALA Marcin (POL)	Deputy Referee
•	HÜBENER Michaela (GER)	Deputy Referee
•	Re FRASCHINI Mario (ITA)	Deputy Referee
•	SIMON Jacky (FRA)	Deputy Referee
•	MILIŃSKI Maciej (POL)	Assistant Referee

There will be always a referee on duty in the hall, in the call area and in the racket control centre. The decision of a match official on a question of interpretation of the Laws or Regulations may be appealed to the Referee and the Referee's decision shall be final.

No appeal may be made to the referee against a decision on a question of fact taken by the responsible match official.

## CALL AREA PROCEDURES

#### Ball selection

Captains/players select up to 3 balls each for the team events and 2 for individuals. If none selects balls the umpire will randomly take 6 or 4 balls. If both players agree on the order of the selected balls, i.e. 1, 2 and 3, or if only one player arrives in time for the ball selection, the umpire will use the balls according to the selection.

#### Bench toss

Unless both coaches agree, the umpire will toss to decide which coach will sit on the left and which on the right side of the court. (A diagram of the FOP showing the left and right positions will be available at the Call Area).

#### Racket tests

Each team is required to hand in their rackets at the Call Area according to the schedule in the "Competition Procedures" document distributed with this document.

However, for team events, it is strongly recommended that all players' rackets (A-B-C/X-Y-Z) are handed in 30 minutes before the start of the match.

#### After match tests in a team match

If there is an after-match test of a racket used by a player in the deciding (3rd or 4th) individual match of a team match, the teams shall be asked to wait at the match table until the racket test has been completed. If the racket passes the racket test, no further action is required and the match result stands. If the winning



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player racket fails the test, then the referee will decide that the player forfeits the match, the result will be reversed and the next scheduled match will then be played.

Players have to return their rackets to the umpires after each individual match (strongly recommended) to avoid the rackets being retested for their next match.

### Delays

If a team captain is not present in the Call Area at the scheduled time for the team draw (maximum 45 minutes before the start of the match), the opposing team captain will choose the letters (AB-C, XY-Z).

# CLOTHING

The players of a team taking part in a team match at the European Youth Championships shall be uniformly dressed, with the possible exception of socks and shoes.

The main colour of the shirts of the opposing teams must be significantly different, including on television and from that of the ball used (white).

The number and size of advertisements may comply with ITTF rules.

Advertising for tobacco products, alcoholic beverages or harmful drugs is not permitted.

# Captains must present the shirt their team will be playing in at the draw 50 minutes before the match.

All shirts worn by players of the same team during a team match must be uniform. (i.e. if a player wants to change shirts during a team match, the new shirt he wears must be the same as the one chosen by the team for that match).

#### PRESENTATION

#### Marching in

There is no general presentation procedure for the matches. Team players must be on the court at least 5 minutes before the scheduled start of the match.

A presentation with all players and umpires will be held from the finals in team events and from the semifinals in individual events. Details will be announced at that time.

# ACCESS TO THE FIELD OF PLAY

Only accredited players and coaches who have a match will be allowed to the field of play.

Medical staff and physiotherapists will be seated separately and should not interfere with the match in any way.

Coaches/doctors must wear their accreditation cards during the match.



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# STARTING NUMBERS / IDENTIFICATION

## Back numbers are compulsory and players may not play without them.

No exceptions can be made and numbers take precedence over names printed on the back of the shirt. The starting number must be attached below the collar with at least three pins.

#### COACHES

#### **Advices**

In team events, players may only receive advice from the persons authorised to be at the playing area.

**A maximum of 5 persons** (up to 2 coaches) may stay on the bench during a team match. Advisors who are dismissed (red card) must go to the opposite side of the hall so as not to interfere with the match. Remember that a player who asks for illegal advice can be warned and penalised.

#### Individual Events

Only one coach is allowed, unless the players in the doubles are from different member associations, in which case two coaches are allowed.

#### Video cameras

Only one video camera per team may be used and only at the table where the team/player is playing.

## PRACTICE ON COMPETITION TABLES

Practice on the competition tables is allowed in the morning until 30 minutes before the start of the playing session.

Practice on the competition tables is not allowed at any time during the playing sessions, during which time players may practice in the practice hall.

## **GLUING**

Gluing inside the venue premises outside the reserved racket preparation area is strictly forbidden.

The Referee Francesco NUZZO

The Competition Manager Alen IVANCIN