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# INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY SPORTS FEDERATION (FISU)



The Fédération Internationale du Sport Universitaire (FISU) is the International University Sports Federation and owner of the FISU World University Games. FISU is based in Lausanne, Switzerland, and is governed by President Leonz Eder.

## FISU WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES

Debuting as the World University Games in 1923 in Paris, France, the precursor event was held in Europe every two years until 1939. The event was revived in 1947 – two years before the founding of FISU – and returned as the 'Universiade' in Turin, Italy, in 1959. As part of the relaunch, the 'U' shape of the FISU flag and the song 'Gaudeamus Igitur', which is played at the award ceremonies instead of the national anthem, were introduced. Since then, the multi-sport event has been held every two years (in odd-numbered years), with both summer and winter editions. The most important competition in international university sport, the Universiade became known as the 'FISU World University Games' in 2020.

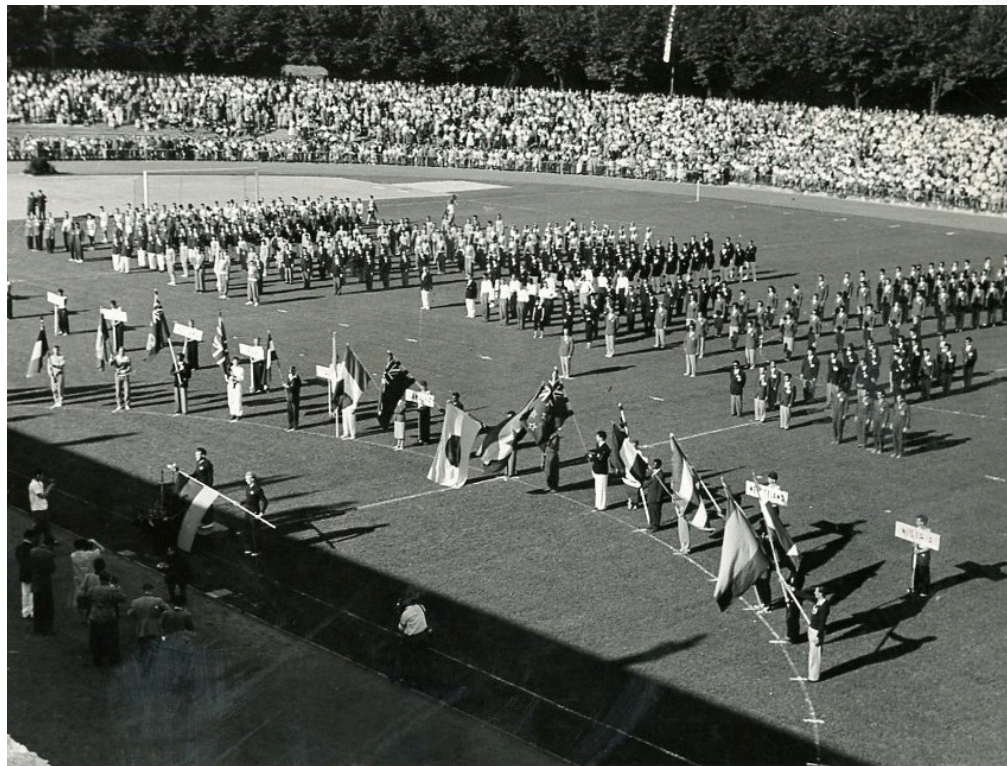
## ELIGIBILITY

The FISU Games are open to students aged 18 to 25 who have been nominated by their national university sports federations. Participants include both up-and-coming student-athletes and established top athletes, many of whom already have world championship and Olympic Games appearances – and medals – to their name.

## SPORTS

The summer edition of the FISU World University Games comprises 15 compulsory sports: archery, artistic gymnastics, athletics, badminton, basketball, diving, fencing, judo, rhythmic gymnastics, swimming, taekwondo, tennis, table tennis, volleyball, and water polo. The optional sports 3x3 basketball, 3x3 wheelchair basketball, beach volleyball and rowing complete the programme of the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games.





## RHINE-RUHR REVISITED

Even before the first Universiade in 1959, Germany was playing host to international university sport. In August 1953, teams from 22 countries assembled in Dortmund for the 'Third International University Sports Week'. Competitions were held in seven different sports: athletics, basketball, fencing, football, swimming, tennis and water polo.

The FISU World University Games Summer have been held in the Rhine-Ruhr region before, when Duisburg hosted the 1989 'Universiade' as a late replacement for Sao Paulo (Brazil). Despite being given only 153 days' notice, the organisers produced a highly successful event involving 2,600 athletes in four sports: athletics, basketball, fencing and rowing.

p.6 Dortmund 1953

p.7 Duisburg 1989





# RHINE-RUHR 2025 FISU WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES SUMMER



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## VISION AND MISSION

From 16 to 27 July 2025, the Rhine-Ruhr region plus Berlin will be the stage for one of the greatest sporting shows on earth, as over 8,500 student-athletes and officials from up to 150 countries come together for the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games. With medals to be won in 18 sports, the action will be shared among the cities of Bochum, Mülheim an der Ruhr, Duisburg and Essen, plus Hagen and Berlin.

Beyond the 23 competition venues, there will be plenty more to see and experience. Because this will be a sporting event with a festival vibe, reaching out to a diverse audience through an extensive programme of artistic, cultural, and educational opportunities. As our slogan says, 'Alle spielen mit' (everybody is all-in). And for 12 glorious days in the summer of 2025, there really will be something for everyone to enjoy.

## VISION

We promise an excellent summer with outstanding sports competitions, unforgettable experiences, and international encounters.

We believe in the transformative power of sports, science, and culture. And in change and innovation through enthusiasm.

## MISSION

A young and modern event with a festival character that is colourful, loud, and exuberant.

A diverse, character-rich event with enthusiastic visitors, full sports venues, and many new friendships.

## TONALITY

An event that fits perfectly into a region where pioneers meet hard, honest work by people who are direct, open to the world, and have integrity.

An event where education meets science meets sports, in a region that still brings valuable treasures to light.

## GUIDING IDEA

The creation of Germany's largest playing field in the Rhine-Ruhr region, and an open invitation to everyone to participate. Not only student-athletes, but also artists, the local population, and communities: from all across Germany, and from all over the world.

Everything should happen in a playful, colorful, and open atmosphere that promotes diversity and cohesion.

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**16 - 27 JULY 2025**  
**6 CITIES**  
**12 DAYS OF SPORTING ACTION**  
**18 SPORTS**  
**23 COMPETITION VENUES**  
**150 COUNTRIES REPRESENTED** <sup>APX</sup>  
**8,500 ATHLETES AND OFFICIALS** <sup>APX</sup>  
**12,000 VOLUNTEERS EXPECTED**  
**0 NEW VENUES CONSTRUCTED**

## TICKETS

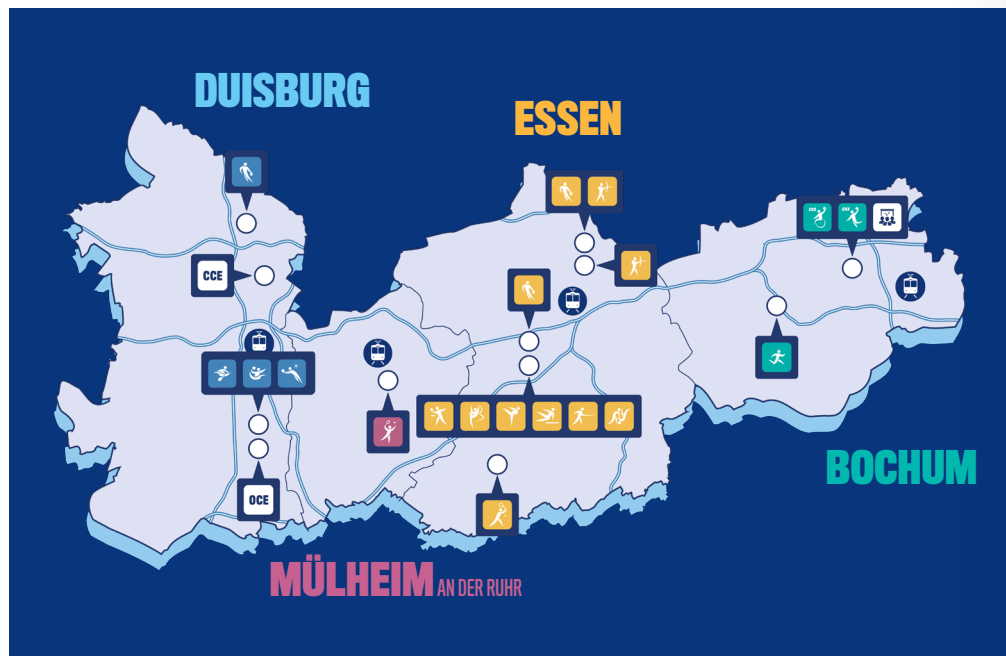
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## TIMELINE

- 2019, November** The German University Sports Federation (adh) approves the Rhine-Ruhr region's candidacy to host the FISU World University Games Summer in 2025
- 2021, March** adh submit bidding documents to FISU
- 2021, May** Hosting rights awarded, Organising Committee founded
- 2023, April** Official logo unveiled
- 2023, August** Flag handover at Closing Ceremony of Chengdu 2021 FISU World University Games (Games delayed by two years due to Covid-19)





## DUISBURG

### Water polo

ASC Duisburg

### Rowing

Regattabahn Duisburg

### Beach volleyball

Sportpark Duisburg

### Basketball

Walter-Schädlich-Halle

## MÜLHEIM AN DER RUHR

### Badminton

Westenergie Sporthalle

## BOCHUM

### Athletics

Lohrheidestadion

### 3x3 Basketball

Jahrhunderthalle

### 3x3 Wheelchair basketball

Jahrhunderthalle

## ESSEN

### Table tennis

Messe Essen Halle 1

### Artistic gymnastics

Messe Essen Halle 3

### Rhythmic gymnastics

Messe Essen Halle 4

### Judo

Messe Essen Halle 4

### Fencing

Messe Essen Halle 5

### Taekwondo

Messe Essen Halle 6

### Basketball

Grugahalle

Sporthalle Am Hallo

### Tennis

ETUF Tennisanlage

### Archery

Sportpark Am Hallo Stadion

Zeche Zollverein



## BERLIN

### Volleyball

Max-Schmeling-Halle

Sportforum Große Halle

Ballsporthalle Köpenick

Horst-Korber-Sportzentrum

### Swimming and Diving

Schwimm- und Sprunghalle im

Europasportpark [SSE]

## HAGEN

### Basketball

Ischelandhalle



## Doing it differently: an innovative approach

### SIX CITIES

Our push for sustainability at the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games is clear to see in the choice of not one, but six, host cities. In this break from convention, the joy – and responsibilities – of hosting a multi-sport event is shared among Bochum, Duisburg, Essen and Mülheim an der Ruhr, plus Hagen and Berlin.

### EXISTING VENUES

Breaking new ground, without breaking any: another key innovation of the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games. With an approach of reusing, renewing and repurposing existing venues, nothing needs to be built from scratch, ensuring the sporting landscape of the region is left in a far better place, at minimal additional cost. No white elephants here!

### DECENTRALISED

Our decentralised accommodation and services concept brings student-athletes, team and technical officials, and other stakeholders closer to the competition venues - and everything else they might need. This reduces travelling times and distances, raising the levels of convenience and lowering our carbon footprint. A win-win.

### 3X3

There's a new kid on the block. With one hoop instead of two and six players instead of ten, in this version of basketball there are certainly no reductions in the drama. Streamlined rules encourage unrelenting, fast-paced play, and with all the thrills and spills of full court basketball it's no wonder 3x3 is the fastest growing urban sport in the world.

### PARA SPORT

The inclusion of 3x3 wheelchair basketball means that for the first time in the history of the FISU World University Games Summer, Para Sport will be included on the programme. It's a proud achievement for the Organising Committee and a landmark moment in the evolution of university sport.





## CEREMONIES

Every party needs a starter, and a spectacular Opening Ceremony at the Arena in Duisburg is sure to get the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games off to a flyer. The event will begin with a sparkling cultural performance and the parade of student-athletes into the stadium, followed by welcome speeches and the raising of the FISU flag. A magical evening will end with a surprise musical star turn and the iconic lighting of the cauldron by a leading name in sport. This is the moment when it all becomes real.

As the German idiom goes: “Alles hat ein Ende, nur die Wurst hat zwei” (“everything has an end, only the sausage has two”). Inevitably, all good things must come to pass. And so, after 12 days of intense sporting competition, cultural and educational highlights, the final act of the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games will be the Closing Ceremony. The former steelworks at Landschaftspark Duisburg-Nord will provide the most atmospheric of backdrops, ensuring fond memories are forged for eternity.

**16 JULY 2025**  
Opening

**27 JULY 2025**  
Closing



## FISU WORLD CONFERENCE

An accompanying programme to the FISU Games since 1960, the 2025 FISU World Conference will take place from 17 to 19 July in the magnificent surroundings of the Jahrhunderthalle in Bochum. With around 400 participants including scientists, researchers and students expected from up to 40 countries, the conference will explore how sport can be a long-term driver of improved sustainability and (mental) health. Featuring keynote speeches, panel discussions and workshops, certain elements will be thrown open to the public afternoon through innovations such as ‘edutainment’ activities and interactive experiments.







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## CULTURAL PROGRAMME

Like what you see in the stadium, and want to try it for yourself? Need somewhere to engage the kids? Or are you thirsty for more culture (or even just a coffee)? At the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games, there is a side event for everyone. Over 12 days, an extensive art and culture programme will connect the host cities of the Rhine-Ruhr region to the largest field of play in the world. Along central themes such as internationality, participation, sustainability and transformation, local and international performers will meet to create a playful approach to art and culture. And if you want to sample all of that while staying plugged in to the live sport, the many public viewing opportunities will mean you don't have to miss a thing.

Our goal is to create an accessible, low-barrier experience for everyone. We've put together a diverse programme designed for a wide-ranging audience, creating spaces for encounters and shared experiences. The Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University

Games will also serve as a platform for regional organizations, including clubs, museums, schools, universities, and cultural institutions, to share their passions for sports, culture, and science. National and regional sports federations will be involved, alongside communities contributing to the creation and delivery of engaging, interactive experiences for all.



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## AMBASSADORS

As ambassadors for the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games, Germany's 'Rising Stars' will become guiding lights for the next generation of top sporting talent. Each of the 18 sports on show will benefit from the enthusiasm of an up-and-coming national team athlete. At the other end of the experience scale is the 'Expert Circle'—well-known personalities from the worlds of sport, culture, science, media, and sustainability—who will interact with the public and use all their knowledge and influence as ambassadors for the FISU Games.



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## RUHR GAMES

The Ruhr Games have become an established fixture in the sporting calendar of NRW since it was first held in 2015. For its tenth anniversary, the biennial showpiece will enrich the programme of the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games with a mix of demo competitions in trend sports and newer Olympic disciplines (such as sport BMX and urban dance), as well as live music, urban art and interactive workshops. The action will take place alongside the FISU World Conference at the Jahrhunderthalle in Bochum, from 17 to 20 July 2025.



## MASCOT

Accompanying the student-athletes and spectators all the way, and carrying a message of cosmopolitanism, universality, and top sporting performance, is Wanda—the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games mascot. Derived from 'Wanderfalk', the German word for 'peregrine falcon', the name takes on an additional meaning since it is pronounced in almost the same way as 'wander'. And this perfectly describes our shared journey; a great adventure with a known start but an undetermined end, building towards one of the world's greatest sporting events: the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games.



## VOLUNTEER PROGRAMME

No Games Without U! As many as 12,000 volunteers are expected at the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games. Anyone who is at least 18 years old on 1 June 2025, speaks fluent German or English and is available on at least four event days, can become part of the team. Volunteers get a behind-the-scenes look at a multi-sport event, free access to the competitions, a public transportation ticket, food, uniform and plenty of experiences as well as the chance to make new friends from around the world.

To book your place on the team, visit [www.rhineruhr2025.com/volunteer](http://www.rhineruhr2025.com/volunteer)



# RHINE-RUHR 2025 FISU WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES PRE-GAMES PAPER

The Organising Committee commissioned a pre-Games paper to explore every opportunity to make a positive social impact through its hosting of the FISU World University Games, while also minimising any potential negative effects, especially regarding the ecological footprint.

A first for a FISU Games, the paper is titled 'Zoom-in & Zoom-out': The Sustainability & Legacy Approach', where 'Zoom-in' concerns sustainability management within the Organising Committee, and 'Zoom-out' is represented by an external analysis of the expected and potential legacy of the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games.

"The guidelines have been set, now it's time to put them into practice. Our task is to ensure that the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games are not only outstanding in sporting terms, but also have a sustainable and positive impact on the environment, society and the local economy."

**Univ.-Prof. Dr. Holger Preuß**





# STAKE- HOLDERS



A real team effort from the beginning, the concept and successful bid for the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games was prepared in partnership with the event cities and FISU, plus the following organisations:

## GERMAN UNIVERSITY SPORTS FEDERATION

The German University Sports Federation (adh) is the sole shareholder of the gGmbH. The adh has over 200 member universities in Germany and has been the umbrella organisation for university sports in Germany since 1948.

[www.adh.de](http://www.adh.de)

## FEDERAL MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR AND COMMUNITY\*

The Federal Ministry of the Interior and Community (BMI) is a supreme federal authority of the Federal Republic of Germany. The ministry is also responsible for sport, and is currently headed by Nancy Faeser.

[www.bmi.bund.de/EN](http://www.bmi.bund.de/EN)

## STATE OF NORTH RHINE-WESTPHALIA\*

The State Chancellery of North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW). With around 17.9 million inhabitants and 30 major cities, NRW is the most populous federal state in Germany. The Rhine-Ruhr region's passion for sport is reflected in its extensive membership base, with around five million people actively enrolled in local sports clubs.

[www.land.nrw/english](http://www.land.nrw/english)

[www.sportland.nrw/sportland-north-rhine-westphalia](http://www.sportland.nrw/sportland-north-rhine-westphalia)

\*The BMI and NRW act as funding bodies and are members of the strategy advisory board.

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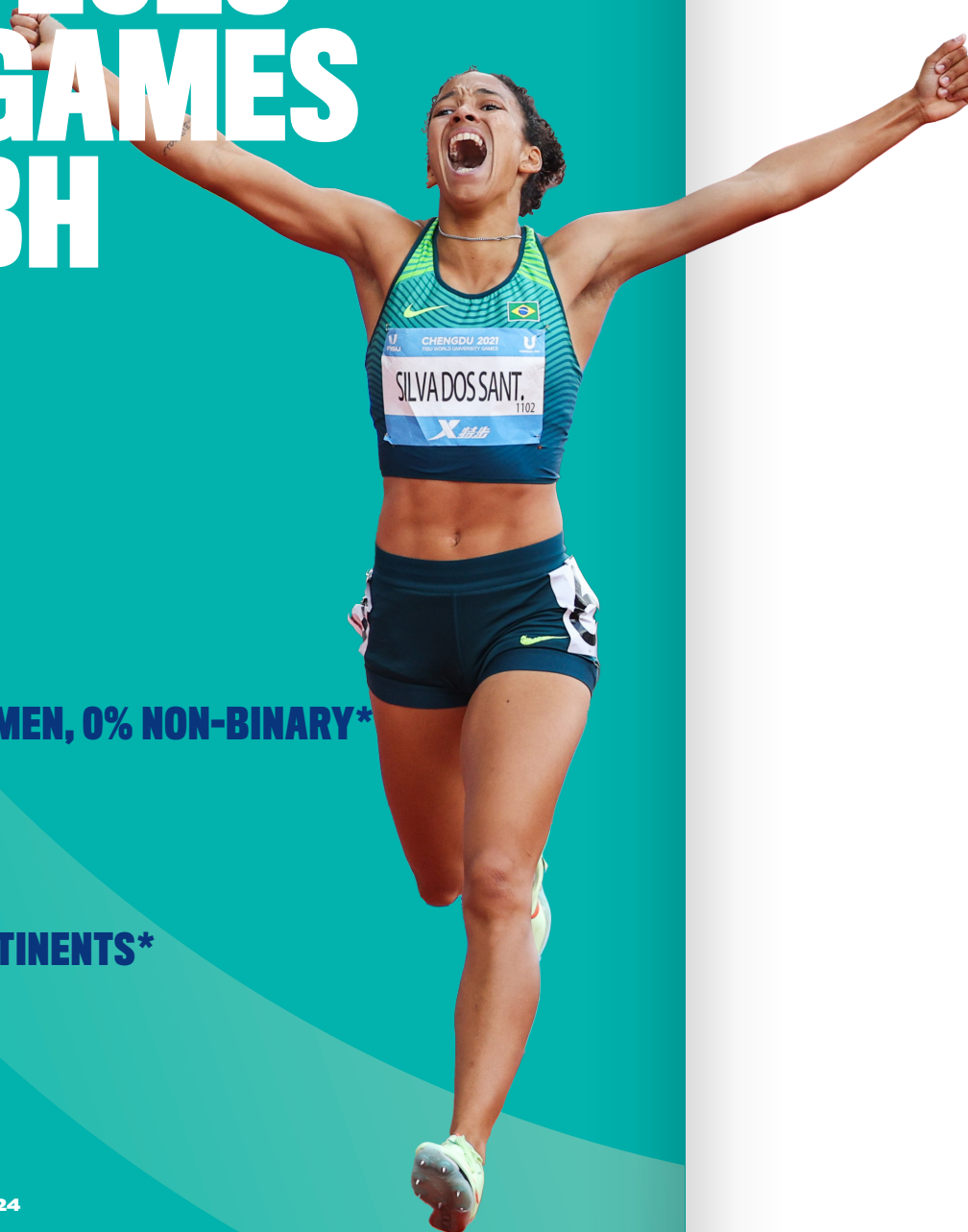
**53% WOMEN, 47% MEN, 0% NON-BINARY\***  
Gender distribution

**34.6 YEARS\***  
Average age

**23 NATIONS, 6 CONTINENTS\***  
Nationalities

**0.71%\***  
With disabilities

\*correct as at November 2024



Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games gGmbH is based in Düsseldorf and is responsible for the planning and delivery of the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games Summer. Established in May 2021, the company offers a dynamic environment for enthusiastic individuals who aim to set new standards in event organisation and grow their network in sports business. The OC is led by Chief Executive Officer Niklas Börger.

The team of the Organising Committee of the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games has a special mission: the successful planning, organisation and execution of the 32nd edition of the FISU World University Games Summer, one of the world's largest multi-sport events in 2025.

Being a young and fast-developing company founded in May 2021, it is the ambition of the team to focus not only on the event, but also on the 'how' aspect. What are the values behind the work, and which values guide the organising team, shape their interaction and foster cooperation? What is driving the workforce behind a global sports, science and cultural festival at which around 8,500 athletes and officials are expected from up to 150 countries.

The organisation of multi-sport events is unique. Within a short period of time, the host country is tasked with establishing a company that will begin implementing best practices while offering its employees an enjoyable and motivating working environment. The shape and success of the event depends on the people who bring their expertise, motivation and ambitions.

A unique event therefore also needs a unique corporate culture. Symbioses that ensure that the event is exactly what the people are standing for, who plan it. By jointly defining values, the questions of where, why and how are clearly answered and the team is given orientation. The definition-process of the values and to ensure that the values are reflected in the structures and processes, the implementation is regularly supported by the external consulting agency VIANU with a focus on people, culture and workplace.

# OUR CORPORATE VALUES



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## WHAT DRIVES US, WHAT WE STAND FOR

Furthermore, the Organising Committee of Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games does not only aim to deliver a successful event on the international stage. Its more about to leave a lasting legacy for the region, university sports, and society, and to contribute to the personal development of its people. People from all over the world in our region, who work extremely well-trained together and who understand how to organise major sporting events.

With these aims, the Organising Committee of the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games is proud to have developed within this Company Charter a set of Corporate Values and measures to shape them in the ongoing process through different actions and activities.

Corporate Values are the key principles that serve as an orientation. They provide guidelines for the actions, describe what is important to the employees, and help to determine which convictions, principles and ideals shape their culture. In the case of unforeseeable disruptions to the event programme and/or OC personnel, our values can help us to maintain morale, keep our focus and stay on the course towards implementing a successful and enjoyable FISU Games.

## TIMELINE CORPORATE VALUES

- September 2023** Initial interviews & Initial Survey to express personal values and principles.
- October 2023** Lego Serious Play Workshop to identify and firm up the values
- February 2024** Follow Up Survey to identify the perception of the values
- April 2024** Follow Up Workshop to reflect the defined values
- October 2024** Publication of the Values
- November 2024** Follow Up Survey to pursue integration into daily work



## APPRECIATION

People-Centric: we recognise and value the unique contributions of everyone, promote diversity, and cultivate respectful relationships.

**Appreciation is implemented by** Appreciation Cards, our campaign 'Everybody is all-in', Employee of the Moment, Bell of Achievements

## COHESION

Stronger Together: we foster an environment of trust and support, where teamwork and solidarity take centre stage.

**Cohesion is implemented by** FA Cup, team events, team introductions, lunch roulette, social sustainability, midweek energiser

## COURAGE

Boldly Forward: we encourage each other to share new ideas and take innovative paths to overcome challenges together.

**Courage is implemented by** feedback box and feedback cards, rotated moderation of our weekly staff meetings by employees, courageously forward-idea implementation

## FLEXIBILITY

Adaptable and Agile: we value flexibility as a key to success and are ready to adapt to changing demands, always striving for the best.

**Flexibility is implemented by** flexible working hours, office spaces

## TRANSPARENCY

Open and Honest: we practise transparency in communication to build trust and ensure that everyone is on the same page.

**Transparency is implemented by** onboarding processes, our weekly staff meeting, weekly updates and internal newsletters, our Value Team

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# **RHINE-RUHR 2025** **HOST CITIES**

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# INTRODUCTION

## Welcome to Germany: a people-friendly powerhouse at the heart of Europe

From its beautiful coastline, rolling countryside and rugged mountains, to its cosmopolitan cities, bustling towns and quaint villages, Germany has it all.

Home to 84 million people from every imaginable background, Germany sits at the heart of Europe, sharing land borders with nine other nations.

The country is a world leader in manufacturing, scientific development and services, while also being rich in natural resources, culture and creativity. Access to education is universal and free, and many of its 100+ universities are among the best in the world.

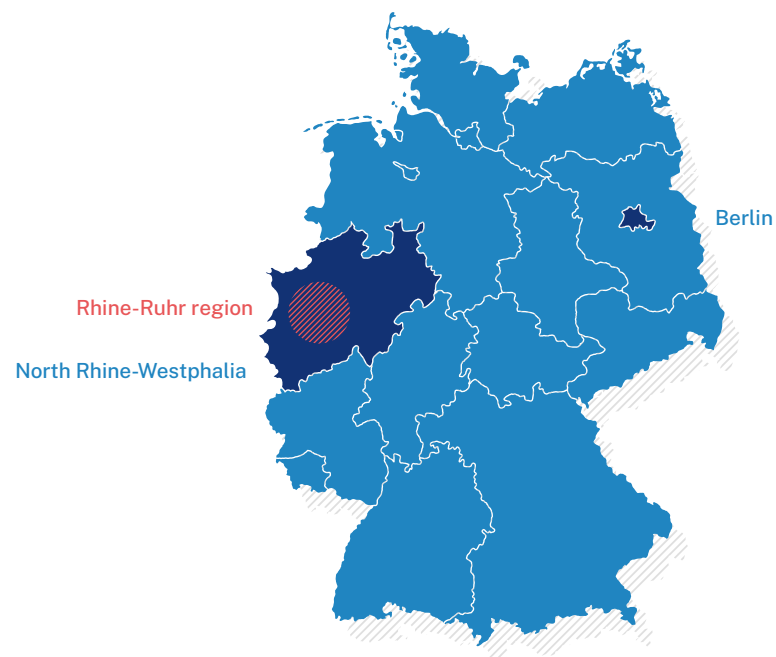
And then there is sport. With fantastic facilities, broad levels of grassroots participation and professional clubs which consistently grace the final stages of pan-European competitions, Germany has cultivated an enviable reputation for sporting excellence.

This sports-obsessed country is also no stranger to international extravaganzas. Germany has hosted two Olympic Games, a Paralympic Games, three FIFA World Cups (two men's and one women's) and four UEFA European Championships (men and women, two each) - to name but a few. And now, in the summer of 2025, comes another: the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games.

**»At the Rhine-Ruhr FISU World University Games in the summer of 2025, we want to offer the international university sports athletes, guests and spectators outstanding sporting competition, unforgettable experiences and exciting exchanges and encounters. Due to its dense network of sports facilities and scientific institutions, the Rhine-Ruhr region offers an excellent framework for hosting inspiring Games and presenting Germany as a reliable host of major international sporting events.«**

(Mahmut Özdemir, Parliamentary State Secretary for the Interior and Community)

- › Germany is the most populous country in the European Union, with over 84 million inhabitants.
- › About 3.8 million of these live in Berlin, the capital city.
- › Hamburg, Munich and Cologne are also each home to over one million people.
- › The total land area of Germany is 348,672 square kilometres, making it the 63rd largest country in the world.
- › The Rhine-Ruhr region of North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW) is by far the largest metropolitan area in Germany, with a population of over 10 million.
- › Over 750,000 students are enrolled at universities in NRW, accounting for 25% of Germany's total student population of three million.







### International University Sports Federation (FISU)

The International University Sports Federation (in French: Fédération Internationale du Sport Universitaire) is the body responsible for the organisation and governance of international competitions for student-athletes, including the FISU World University Games. FISU is based in Lausanne, Switzerland, and is governed by President Leonz Eder.

### FISU World University Games

Debating as the World University Games in 1923 in Paris, France, the precursor event was held in Europe every two years until 1939. The event was revived in 1947 – two years before the founding of FISU - and returned as the 'Universiade' in Turin, Italy, in 1959. As part of the relaunch, the 'U' shape of the FISU flag and the song 'Gaudeamus Igitur', which is played at the award ceremonies instead of the national anthem, were introduced. Since then, the multi-sport event has been held every two years (in odd-numbered years), with both summer and winter editions. The most important competition in international university sport, the Universiade became known as the 'FISU World University Games' in 2020.

#### Eligibility

The FISU Games are open to students who will be aged between 18 and 25 on 31 December of the year of the event (that is, born between 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2007), and who have been nominated by their national university sports federations. Participants include both up-and-coming student-athletes and established top athletes, many of whom already have world championship and Olympic Games appearances – and medals – to their name.

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## THE JOY OF SIX

### ›Alle spielen mit‹ (›Everybody is all-in‹)

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›Alle spielen mit‹: for 12 glorious days in the summer of 2025, there really will be something for everyone to enjoy.



## »Sportland Nummer 1«

The No.1 state for sport in Germany? With approximately 18,000 professional and local sports clubs with five million active participants, it would be hard to argue against North Rhine-Westphalia. The state hosts more Bundesliga football teams than anywhere else, the world-leading CHIO equestrian centre in Aachen, the annual 'Final Four' in handball, biathlon in Schalke, rowing in Duisburg and hockey in Mönchengladbach.

But the Sportland.NRW initiative focuses on so much more than high-performance sport. Community sports for everyone, club and school sports, and inclusive sports for people with impairments or social disadvantages: in North-Rhine Westphalia, nobody is left on the sidelines.



# SPORTLAND.NRW

»Top sport with international world class? We can in North Rhine Westphalia! The FISU World University Games 2025 will bring combine high level sport and social interaction - our 'Sportland Nummer 1' has the perfect infrastructure and a passionate audience. I look forward to it!«

(Hendrik Wüst, Minister-President of the state of NRW)

## A tale of two rivers

Five of the host cities at the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games lie on or near the two large waterways which give the event – and the region – its name.

**The Rhine** defines much of the border between Germany and France as it flows north from its source in the Swiss Alps to the Netherlands, where it empties into the North Sea at Rotterdam. At 1,233 km, it is the second-longest river in Central and Western Europe (after the Danube).

**The Ruhr** is a tributary of the Rhine and joins at the right bank of the much larger river in Duisburg. Running to 219km in length from its source in the Sauerland, the Ruhr has undergone significant environmental regeneration in recent years and currently provides drinking water to five million people. The meeting of the two rivers at Duisburg is marked by the largest riverport in Europe.





# EVENT OVERVIEW

## Easy access

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		Zeche Zollverein		Archery (finals)
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				Swimming
		Ballsporthalle Köpenick	03	Volleyball
		Horst-Korber Sportzentrum		
		Max-Schmeling Halle		
		Sportforum Große Halle		
TOTAL	23		18*	

\* Note: Basketball listed under three different cities

## THE HOST CITIES

## BOCHUM

Population 363,000

Rank in Germany 16th

Known for Rich coal mining heritage, Ruhr University, Starlight Express.

Motto »Wir ziehen das gemeinsam durch« (»We'll get through this together«)



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Bochum is the sixth-largest city in North Rhine-Westphalia and Germany's tenth-largest university location, and this former industrial hub occupies a prime location in the centre of the Ruhr area.

After a long history in the coal mining sector, in recent decades the city has reinvented itself as a centre for technology, services and academic excellence. There are nine universities in Bochum including the Ruhr University - one of the largest in Germany with over 40,000 students.

Popular attractions in Bochum include the mining and railway museums and the Bermuda3eck dining and nightlife complex in the city centre, which receives around four million visitors annually. The city is also famous for the »Starlight Express Theater«, where a world record of over 18 million people have watched the German-language production of the Andrew Lloyd Webber musical since its premiere in 1988. Equally well-known and popular is the renowned Schauspielhaus Bochum, which has become an integral part of the German-speaking theatre scene.

In sport, TV Wattenscheid 01 has a proud history of developing successful track and field athletes for the Germany national team. These include five-time Olympian Sabine Braun in heptathlon and discus thrower Daniel Jasinski (see page 14). The club is based at the Sportpark Lohrheide, where the Lohrheidestadion is being redeveloped as a 16,000-seat venue for the athletics competition of the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games.

The premier local men's football team, VfL Bochum, returned to the 1. Bundesliga in 2021 after an 11-year absence. The team plays in the traditional VONOVIA Ruhrstadion, which is not being used for the FISU Games.



BOCHUM

## Top sports stars from Bochum

**Daniel Jasinski** (born 1989) Discus thrower who won the bronze medal at Olympic Games Rio 2016 and competed also at Olympic Games Tokyo 2020, and who finished ninth at the Shenzhen 2013 Universiade.

**Mark Warnecke** (born 1970) Four-time Olympian swimmer who won the bronze medal in the 100m breaststroke at Olympic Games Atlanta 1996 and the gold in the 50m breaststroke at the 2005 World Aquatics Championships in Montreal.

**Ruth Lamsbach** (born 1950) Multi-sport Paralympian who competed in seven consecutive Paralympic Games from 1968 to 1992 in basketball, swimming, pentathlon, and table tennis, winning four gold, four silver and four bronze medals.

»We are a vibrant metropolitan region where people do not just think about themselves. Whether we're talking about long-term transformation processes, such as our common path to becoming the greenest industrial region in the world, or more specific projects, we're all pulling together. That goes for attracting new businesses, planning joint land use, coordinating public transport, and of course, hosting the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games.«

(Thomas Eiskirch, Lord Mayor of the City of Bochum)

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# DUISBURG

**Population** 509,000

**Rank in Germany** 15th

**Known for** Duisport – the largest inland port in the world. Landschaftspark Duisburg-Nord. Birthplace of Wilhelm Lehmbruck, renowned German sculptor active in the early 20th century.

**Motto** »Duisburg ist Echt« (»Duisburg is real«)



**OCE** OPENING CEREMONY

**CCE** CLOSING CEREMONY

**Where the Ruhr meets the Rhine:** Duisburg occupies a unique position among the six host cities since it belongs to both the Lower Rhine region and the Ruhr area. The city has successfully leveraged its prime twin-river location to develop the Port of Duisburg - the largest inland port in the world with 21 docks handling over 20,000 ships and millions of containers each year.

Popular attractions in Duisburg include the German Inland Waterways Museum, the Wilhelm Lehmbruck Museum and Landschaftspark Duisburg-Nord – a former ironworks re-purposed in 1994 as a nature and cultural park and drawing over one million visitors annually. The 180-hectare site will host the Closing Ceremony on 27 July 2025.

Despite the obvious focus on heavy industry, the city also contains not one, but two, botanical gardens. In addition, more than half of the city area consists of green spaces. Duisburg is unique among the host cities for another reason: in 1989 it hosted the Universiade - the forerunner to the FISU World University Games.

Sport runs through the city. ASC Duisburg is one of the strongest water polo clubs in the country, while the nearby Regattabahn is cherished by rowers and canoe sprinters the world over. In football, the leading local club MSV Duisburg was one of the 16 founding members of the Bundesliga in 1963. While most visitors to their Schauinsland-Reisen-Arena are used to cheering for the ›Zebras‹, the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 Opening Ceremony on 16 July 2025 will be a full colour, once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see this impressive arena like never before.



## Top sports stars from Duisburg

**Nicole Uphoff** (born 1967) Equestrian athlete who won four gold medals in the individual and team dressage events at Olympic Games Seoul 1988 and Barcelona 1992.

**Jürgen Hingsen** (born 1958) Track and field star who held the world record in decathlon in 1982 and again from 1983 to 1984, and who won silver at Olympic Games Los Angeles 1984.

**Rolf Milser** (born 1951) Weightlifter who competed at the 1972, 1976 and 1984 Olympics, winning the gold medal in the heavyweight I class in 1984. He was also a two-time world champion.

»We are certain that we will be able to create ideal conditions for the athletes to deliver outstanding sporting achievements. But it is even more important to me to show the participants from all over the world that here on the Rhine and the Ruhr - and in the sports city of Duisburg - we are going to be warm and welcoming hosts. Young people who might have very different origins or cultural backgrounds will come together not only to compete, but also to stand up for values such as fair play, respect and tolerance.«

(Sören Link, Lord Mayor of the City of Duisburg)

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# ESSEN

Population 579,000

Rank in Germany 10th

**Known for** The Zeche Zollverein – UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Site. Rüttenscheid. Former European Capital of Culture and European Green Capital.

**Motto** »In Essen geht alles!« (»Everything is possible in Essen!«)



**Essen is located in the centre of the Ruhr area and is an important industrial and economic hub. With its almost 1,200-year history, Essen is older than Berlin, Munich or Dresden.**

One of the most important sights is the Zeche Zollverein, a former coal mine which closed in 1986 and has been repurposed as a centre for art, design, culture and history. At its peak, the Zollverein colliery extracted 12,000 tonnes of coal per day, making it the most efficient underground mine in the world. Since 2001, shafts 12 and 1/2/8 of the mine - including the so-called ›Eiffel Tower of the Ruhr area‹ – are protected by the UNESCO World Heritage List. The Zeche Zollverein is also an anchor point of the European Route of Industrial Culture and houses the ever-popular Ruhr Museum and the Red Dot Design Museum.

Essen's ›green lung‹ is located in the south of the city, around Lake Baldeney and the circa 120 kilometres of signposted hiking trails. The historic nearby districts of Kettwig and Werden bear witness to the city's long history with their half-timbered houses and old churches.

Also south of the city centre, the trendy Rüttenscheid district has hip cafes, bars and restaurants, and a plethora of independent and boutique shops. Nearby lies the Grugapark, a 60-hectare green space which features numerous themed gardens and attracts over one million visitors a year. It can be little surprise that in 2017 Essen was awarded the status of ›European Green Capital‹ to add to the ›European Capital of Culture‹ award it celebrated on behalf of all 53 towns in the Ruhr region in 2010.

Sport is also very important to the city. SG Essen swims in the 1st Bundesliga while TuSEM Essen is a multiple German champion, cup winner and European Cup winner in handball. The city's premier football club, Rot-Weiss Essen, were German champions in 1955 and still enjoy big support despite spending most of the past three decades in the regional leagues. The SGS Essen women's football team has been playing in the Bundesliga since 2004.



### Top sports stars from **Essen**

**Sabine Braun** (born 1965) Five-time Olympian and Barcelona 1992 silver medallist in heptathlon who also took silver at the Duisburg 1989 Universiade.

**Helmut Rahn** (1929-2003) Footballer who scored the winning goal in Germany's 3-2 defeat of Hungary in the 1954 FIFA World Cup final, and who won the German football championship with Rot-Weiss Essen in 1955.

**Kira Walkenhorst** (born 1990) Beach volleyball star who won the women's gold medal at Olympic Games Rio 2016 and the world championships in 2017 alongside teammate Laura Ludwig.

»Numerous world champions and Olympic champions have come from Essen's sport clubs. Amateur sport has also been - and still is - an important way for many people to identify with their city. That is why we are looking forward to the FISU World University Games in the summer of 2025.«

(**Thomas Kufen**, Lord Mayor of the City of Essen)

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# MÜLHEIM

## AN DER RUHR

Population 171,000

Rank in Germany 46th

**Known for** Broich Castle, Field hockey, Badminton

**Motto** »Stadt am Fluss« (»City on the river«)



**The smallest of the host cities, what Mülheim an der Ruhr lacks in size, it makes up for in environment. As the name suggests, the city enjoys a riverside location and is carpeted by green spaces and forested areas.**

Dating back to the late 800s, the former trading, leather and mining town has successfully evolved into a diverse centre for business, entertainment and academia. The vast Rhein-Ruhr Zentrum is a case in point: located on the site of the former Humboldt colliery, it was the first covered mall in Germany and the first to be built on the site of an old coal pit.

Mülheim is also home to two Max Planck Institutes – for Coal Research and Chemical Energy Conversion – and the Ruhr West University of Applied Sciences, which was founded in 2009.

The city also punches far above its weight in the sporting arena.

The Uhlenhorst Mülheim Hockey and Tennis Club founded in 1920 is one of the most celebrated hockey clubs in Europe. Both the women's and men's team are regular fixtures in the national Bundesliga, while the men's side have international pedigree, winning nine European Cups in a row between 1988 and 1996.

The German Badminton Association (DBV), the national governing body for badminton in Germany, has its headquarters in Mülheim. The city is also home to a prestigious local badminton club 1. BV Mülheim. This club dominated the national team championships for 13 consecutive seasons between 1968 and 1980. It therefore follows that the Westenergie Sporthalle will host the badminton competition at the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games. The 2,000-capacity arena has staged the annual German Open since 2005.



### Top sports stars from **Mülheim an der Ruhr**

**Lars Lürig** (born 1975) Swimmer who competed at the Paralympic Games Barcelona 1992, Atlanta 1996 and Sydney 2000. In 1996, he won gold and set the world record in the 200m freestyle in the S5 class, as well as claiming silver in the 50m and 100m freestyle. In 2000, he won bronze in the 200m freestyle.

**Carsten Fischer** (born 1961) Four-time Olympian field hockey player who won the gold medal in the men's team event at Olympic Games Barcelona 1992 and the silver medals at Los Angeles 1984 and Seoul 1988.

**Jonathan Rommelmann** (born 1994) Rower who won the silver medal at Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 in the lightweight double sculls. 2020 in the lightweight double sculls.

»Mülheim an der Ruhr will welcome the many athletes, coaches, supervisors, officials and spectators from all over the world and offer a high-quality badminton event with a great atmosphere. With our Sportpark Styrum and the ›TrendSport‹ youth programme, we also bring a lot of experience and good structures in other sports areas to contribute to an attractive supporting programme. Mülheim an der Ruhr will present itself as cosmopolitan, hospitable and sporty.«

(**Marc Buchholz**, Lord Mayor of the City of Mülheim an der Ruhr)

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# HAGEN

**Population** 198,000

**Rank in Germany** 41st

**Known for** Basketball, Hohenlimburg Castle, The ›Gateway to Sauerland‹, Nena (and her 99 red balloons)

**Motto** »Hagen, Stadt der FernUniversität« (»Hagen, City of the FernUniversität«)



**Often referred to as ›the Gateway to the Sauerland‹, Hagen lies to the south of the Ruhr River and is dissected by three of its tributaries: the Lenne, the Volme and the Ennepe.**

Another ›life source‹ flowing through the city is basketball, since Hagen is home to the German Basketball Federation (DBB) and the professional men's team Phoenix Hagen, who bounced back from near-financial oblivion to reach the Bundesliga in 2010. Forerunner clubs SSV Hagen and Brandt Hagen were both German cup winners and perennial title challengers. Still backed by some of the most passionate fans in Germany, Phoenix currently play in the Pro A league at the atmospheric Ischelandhalle, which will host preliminary matches at the FISU World University Games and has also staged matches of the women's national team.

Other popular attractions in Hagen include the modern art Osthaus-Museum near the city centre and the Hagen Westphalian Open-Air Museum in the leafy southern district of Selbecke. A testament to the textile and metal industries that once powered the region, the museum features around sixty original workshops and, since 2012, an active brewery. Around 10km further east is Hohenlimburg Castle, a medieval fortress which has earned the name ›Westphalian Heidelberg‹ because of its picturesque hillside location.

Look west to the horizon from here and you may see 99 red balloons approaching, or (more likely) the childhood home of Gabriele Susanne Kerner. The musician shot to fame as ›Nena‹ - the voice behind the song which reached No.2 on the US billboard charts in 1983 in its original German version (›99 Luftballons‹).



### Top sports stars from **Hagen**

**Hans-Joachim Höfig** (1915-2006) Basketball player turned sports administrator who played for SSV Hagen before becoming president of the German Basketball Association (DBB) in 1964. The development of basketball in Hagen, but also in Germany, is closely linked to his name.

**Per Günther** (born 1988) Basketball player who began his career with Phoenix and then made over 500 appearances in the 1. Bundesliga for Ratiopharm Ulm (2008-2022), during which he competed in eight BBL All-Star matches including one match in 2016 as the Most Valuable Player (MVP). Capped 65 times by Germany.

**Walter Rodekamp** (1941-1998) Footballer who spent four seasons in the 1. Bundesliga with Hannover 96 and made three appearances for the German national team in 1965.

»Hagen is a stronghold of sport. I am therefore delighted that our Ischelandhalle will be the venue for international basketball matches and that we will be able to prove our reputation as a basketball city.«

(Erik O. Schulz, Lord Mayor of the City of Hagen)

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# BERLIN

**Population** 3.8 million      **Rank in Germany** 1st

**Known for** Spree River, Berlin Wall (1961-1989), Brandenburg Gate, Reichstagsgebäude, Museum Insel, Fernsehturm (TV Tower), Creative industries, techno, currywurst

**Motto** »Wir sind ein Berlin« (»We are one Berlin«)



**There is nowhere quite like Berlin. Germany's multicultural capital is home to 3.8 million people, of which one in four have a foreign passport and almost 200,000 are students at one of the city's 38 universities.**

There are 290 art galleries, 170 museums, 150 theatres and performance venues, and 23 Michelin-starred restaurants. Uniquely, Berlin also has three opera houses, two zoos, and three UNESCO World Heritage Sites – of which »one« is actually six Modernist Housing Estates built between the two World Wars which ravaged the city.

In sport, Berlin's amenities are world class and numerous. The Schwimm- und Sprunghalle im Europasportpark (SSE) is the largest swimming facility in Europe by total water surface area, while the iconic Olympiastadion - built for the 1936 Olympic Games - seats almost 75,000 people. The modern, indoor Max-Schmeling Halle and Uber Arena both host top-level sporting competitions throughout the year in basketball, handball, ice hockey and volleyball.

And all that is not to overlook the city's legendary nightlife. The most celebrated spot is Berghain, a nightclub occupying a gargantuan former power plant on the border of Friedrichshain and Kreuzberg, and popularly known as the »world capital of techno«. Head from here to the river and you will meet the East Side Gallery, a series of murals adorning the longest surviving section of the Berlin Wall, which divided the city for 28 years until 1989. Perhaps here more than anywhere, the first-time visitor will realise that in Berlin, everyone has their own story to tell.

**BERLIN**





### Top sports stars from **Berlin**

**Betty Heidler** (born 1983) Track and field athlete who held the women's world record in hammer throw from 2011 until 2014 and won the silver medal at Olympic Games London 2012. She was also world champion in 2007 and the silver medallist in 2009 and 2011.

**Franziska von Almsick** (born 1978) Swimmer who won four silver and six bronze medals in four Olympic Games appearances from 1992 to 2004, including 200m freestyle silver at both Barcelona 1992 and Atlanta 1996.

**Kevin-Prince Boateng** (born 1987) and **Jérôme Boateng** (born 1988) Footballing half-brothers who both began their storied careers at Hertha BSC in the capital. Kevin-Prince played for 13 other professional clubs, including over 100 times for AC Milan in Italy, while Jérôme made 229 appearances in a ten-year spell with Bayern Munich and collected 76 caps for the national team.

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# INTRODUCTION

## A Celebration of Sport

From 16 to 27 July 2025, Germany will be the stage for one of the greatest sporting shows on earth, as around 8,500 student-athletes and officials from up to 150 countries come together for the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games.

The welcomes will be friendly but the competition fierce: it is usual for a FISU World University Games to attract Olympic champions and household names, witness world records, or stage some of the greatest matches ever seen in a sport. And that's before counting the hundreds of student-athletes who have enjoyed world championships or Olympic Games success after first breaking through at a FISU Games (see ›Star Pedigree‹ on pages 8–11).

With medals to be won in 18 sports, the high-octane action will be shared among the cities of Bochum, Duisburg, Essen, Mülheim an der Ruhr and Hagen in North Rhine-Westphalia, plus Berlin.



## International University Sports Federation (FISU)

The International University Sports Federation (in French: Fédération Internationale du Sport Universitaire) is the body responsible for the organisation and governance of international competitions for student-athletes, including the FISU World University Games. FISU is based in Lausanne, Switzerland, and is governed by President Leonz Eder.

## FISU World University Games

Debuting as the World University Games in 1923 in Paris, France, the precursor event was held in Europe every two years until 1939. The event was revived in 1947 – two years before the founding of FISU – and returned as the ›Universiade‹ in Turin, Italy, in 1959. As part of the relaunch, the ›U‹ shape of the FISU flag and the song ›Gaudeamus Igitur‹, which is played at the award ceremonies instead of the national anthem, were introduced. Since then, the multi-sport event has been held every two years (in odd-numbered years), with both summer and winter editions. The most important competition in international university sport, the Universiade became known as the ›FISU World University Games‹ in 2020.

## Eligibility

The FISU Games are open to students who will be aged between 18 and 25 on 31 December of the year of the event (that is, born between 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2007), and who have been nominated by their national university sports federations. Participants include both up-and-coming student-athletes and established top athletes, many of whom already have world championship and Olympic Games appearances – and medals – to their name.

## Sports

The summer edition of the FISU World University Games comprises 15 compulsory sports: archery, artistic gymnastics, athletics, badminton, basketball, diving, fencing, judo, rhythmic gymnastics, swimming, taekwondo, tennis, table tennis, volleyball, and water polo. The optional sports 3x3 basketball, 3x3 wheelchair basketball, beach volleyball and rowing complete the programme of the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games.

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		Ballsporthalle Köpenick		 Volleyball	
		Horst-Korber Sportzentrum			
		Max-Schmeling Halle			
		Sportforum Große Sporthalle			
TOTAL	23		18 *		

\* Note: Basketball listed under three different cities



# STAR PEDIGREE



**3X3 BASKETBALL** Student-athletes contesting the inaugural FISU World University Games 3X3 competitions in 2025 will hope their careers can emulate those of global superstars such as **Strahinja Stoacic**, a World Cup winner with Serbia in 2022 and 2023 who transitioned from full court basketball in 2018 and has never looked back.



**ARCHERY** For student star turns in the sport of archery, look no further than Republic of Korea, and recurve archer **Choi Mi-Sun** in particular. The Gwangju Women's University student won an incredible four gold and four silver medals in her four Universiade and FISU World University Games appearances from 2015 to 2021. She also won team gold at the Olympic Games Rio 2016 and at the Hangzhou 2022 Asian Games.



**ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS** **Nadia Comaneci** was already a global household name by the time she arrived at the Bucharest 1981 Universiade in her home country of Romania. Five years earlier, at the age of only 14, Comaneci had become the first gymnast to be awarded a perfect score of 10.0 at an Olympic Games. She left Montreal with five gold medals - all in individual events - and repeated the haul in front of her expectant home crowd in Romania in 1981. More recently, an 18-year-old **Kohei Uchimura** of Japan gave a strong hint of what was to follow with two golds and one bronze medal at the Bangkok 2007 Universiade. He went on to win six world titles in the men's all-around discipline between 2009 and 2015, plus gold medals at Olympic Games London 2012 and Rio 2016, earning himself the nickname 'Superman'. Also at Rio 2016, Germany's **Fabian Hambüchen** claimed gold in the Horizontal Bars only 13 months after becoming the Universiade champion in the same event at Gwangju 2015.



**ATHLETICS** South Africa sprinter **Wayde van Niekerk** catapulted to fame at Olympic Games Rio 2016 when he broke Michael Johnson's 17-year record in the men's 400 metres with a time of 43.03 seconds. In the same event at the Kazan 2013 Universiade only three years earlier, he had failed to even make the final. In the hammer throw, four-time Olympian **Bettina Heidler** from Germany won the gold medal at the Belgrade 2009 Universiade.



**BADMINTON** Former world No.1 in women's singles, **Tai Tzu-Ying** (TPE), competed at the Kazan 2013, Gwangju 2015 and Taipei 2017 Universiades, winning two golds, one silver and two bronze medals. She went on to win silver at Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 and competed again at Paris 2024. In men's singles, five-time Olympian **Boonsak Ponsana** (THA) won gold medals in the men's singles and mixed team events at the Bangkok 2007 Universiade.



**BASKETBALL** At the Sofia 1977 Universiade, **Larry Bird** showcased his talent before his iconic NBA career took off at the Boston Celtics. Bird was not the only USA basketball player to appear at the Universiade prior to NBA and global superstardom. Fellow Hall of Famers **Charles Barkley** and **Karl Malone** took part in the 1983 Universiade in Edmonton, Canada, finishing second in a final against the home nation that is still considered to be one of the greatest upsets in the history of sport.



**BEACH VOLLEYBALL** Germany's **Karla Borger** celebrated her first international successes in beach volleyball at FISU events. Alongside playing partner **Britta Büthe** she won the gold medal at the FISU World University Championships 2010 in Antalya, Türkiye, and at the Shenzhen 2011 Universiade. Borger won silver with Büthe at the 2013 World Championships and competed at the Olympic Games Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020.



**DIVING** **Guo Jingjing** won an astonishing nine gold medals at three successive Universiades between 2001 and 2005 and collected six Olympic Games medals including four golds from her appearances on the 3-metre boards at Sydney 2000, Athens 2004 and Beijing 2008. Guo is the most successful female water diver to date and is also regarded as the most elegant of all the Chinese divers. Legendary US diver **Greg Louganis** won gold medals in the men's 3m springboard and 10m platform at the Edmonton 1983 Universiade before going on to claim gold in the same two disciplines at both Olympic Games Los Angeles 1984 and Seoul 1988.



**FENCING** Widely regarded as one of the best female fencers of all time, **Valentina Vezzali** won five gold and three silver medals in her four Universiade appearances from 1995 to 2001. The Italian won a total of six gold, two silver and one bronze medals at the Olympic Games from 1996 to 2012. **Marcel Fisher** is a Swiss fencer who won the gold medal in the men's épée at the Olympic Games Athens 2004. He won three bronze medals in the discipline at the Universiades held in Palma de Mallorca in 1999, Beijing in 2001 and Izmir in 2005.



**JUDO** Germany's **Ole Bischof** won the bronze medal in the men's 81kg category at the Jeju 2003 Universiade before winning gold in the same weight class at Olympic Games Beijing 2008 and silver at London 2012. Bischof enjoyed a great rivalry with **Kim Jae-bum**, a Republic of Korea judoka whom he beat in the final in Beijing but lost to in the final in London. Kim had won the silver medal in the lighter 73kg category at the Universiade in Bangkok in 2007.



**RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS** **Anna Bessonova** won an incredible 10 gold medals at four successive Universiades from 2003 to 2009. During the same period, the Ukrainian claimed bronze in the all-around at Olympic Games Athens 2004 and Beijing 2008. At the world championships between 1999 and 2009, Bessonova won five gold medals, 15 silvers and seven bronzes. Bulgaria's **Maria Petrova** won the full set of all five individual gold medals at the Fukuoka 1995 Universiade. She was already a triple world and European all-around champion when she arrived in Japan for her only FISU Games appearance.



**ROWING** **Elisabeta Lipă** of Romania won gold in the women's single sculls at the Duisburg 1989 Universiade and went on to become the most decorated rower in Olympic history, winning five gold, two silver and one bronze medals in six successive appearances from 1984 to 2004.



**SWIMMING** The FISU World University Games have been a launching pad for the careers of many record-breaking swimmers. In the 1980s, **Matt Biondi** (USA), **Michael Groß** (GER) and **Jon Sieben** (AUS) each put their mark on a Universiade and were followed in the 2000s by **Otylia Jędrzejczak** (POL), **Yana Klochkova** (UKR), **Oleg Lisogor** (UKR), **Britta Steffen** (GER) and **Federica Pellegrini** (ITA). More recently, Italy's **Gregorio Paltrinieri** followed up his 1500m freestyle gold medal at Olympic Games Rio 2016 with gold in the same event at the Taipei 2017 Universiade, while adding the 800m freestyle and the 10km marathon swimming titles. And in her first major international competition, **Lilly King** returned home to the US from the Gwangju 2015 Universiade with the silver medal in 100m breaststroke. She went on to win two gold medals at Rio 2016, in the 100m breaststroke and 4x100m medley relay.



**TABLE TENNIS** At the Shenzhen 2011 Universiade, home favourite **Xu Xin** won the men's singles, men's doubles and team events as People's Republic of China swept all seven table tennis gold medals. Xu later became world No. 1 and a double Olympic champion. **Lee Sang Su** won men's singles bronze at the Gwangju 2015 Universiade and went on to represent Republic of Korea at Olympic Games Tokyo 2020. Also at Gwangju 2015, **Bernadette Szocs** from Romania collected the women's singles bronze to finish as one of only three non-Asian medallists in the sport. She later won gold at the European Games Kraków - Małopolska 2023.



**TAEKWONDO** **Panipak Wongpattanakit** is one of the most successful taekwondo athletes of all time. A gold medallist in the women's 49kg category at Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 and Paris 2024, the Thai athlete also won gold at two Universiades (2017 and 2019) and the Chengdu 2021 FISU World University Games.



**TENNIS** Two-time Grand Slam champion **Li Na** won the women's singles, doubles and mixed doubles in front of her home crowd at the Beijing 2001 Universiade. That triple success kickstarted a stella career in which Li became the first Grand Slam champion from Asia – female or male – by winning the French Open in 2011. She added the Australian Open title in 2014 and made two Olympic Games appearances, at Beijing 2008 and London 2012. Romania's **Virginia Ruzici** was already a double Grand Slam champion when she picked up the women's singles, doubles and mixed doubles gold medals at the Bucharest 1981 Universiade. Three years earlier she had powered her way to the French Open women's singles against an opponent she would later rely on for help: **Mima Jaušovec** of Yugoslavia was her partner when the pair won the women's doubles a day later.



**VOLLEYBALL** **Pavel Pankov** made two Universiade appearances as a setter for Russia, winning the gold medal at Gwangju 2015 and the bronze at Naples 2019, before competing in the ROC team which took silver at Olympic Games Tokyo 2020. The team's libero in Tokyo, **Valentin Golubev**, was part of Russia's gold medal-winning team at the Kazan 2013 Universiade. **Ana Carolina da Silva** and **Roberta Ratzke** both played in the Brazil women's teams which won the silver medals at Kazan 2013 and Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.



**WATER POLO** Over the past decade, universities in Serbia have become a production line for top water polo talent. **Strahinja Rasovic** won the men's water polo gold medals at the Shenzhen 2011 and Taipei 2017 Universiades, as well as bronze at Kazan 2013. A legend of university sport, he went on to win gold at Olympic Games Tokyo 2020. Compatriots **Nikola Jakšić** and **Sava Randelovic** both sandwiched their Olympic Games gold medals from Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020 with the Universiade gold alongside Rasovic in Taipei. A fourth member of Serbia's victorious 2017 squad, **Đorđe Lazić**, also won gold in Tokyo. The USA women's squad which triumphed in Taipei was also bursting with future stars. Three members – **Aria Fischer**, **Jamie Neushul** and **Alys Williams** – went on to win gold at Tokyo 2020, while Fischer and Kiley Neushul were mainstays of the team which had also won Olympic gold in Rio.

# 3X3 BASKETBALL

## 3X3 WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL



Host City: **Bochum**

Competition venue: **Jahrhunderthalle**

FISU Games debut: **2025**

Past appearances: **Debut in 2025**

Compulsory sport? **No**

### 4 Medal events

men's tournaments (2) & women's tournaments (2)

### The sport

Played with a single hoop, half a court and six players, the streamlined rules of 3x3 encourage unrelenting, fast-paced play. Games are won at 21 points (or 22 if the last shot is a 2 pointer) or by the leading score after ten minutes. Unlike full-court basketball, there are no breaks in play. The inclusion of 3x3 wheelchair basketball means that for the first time in the history of the FISU World University Games Summer, Para Sport will be included in the programme.



### Origins

The simplicity and flexibility of 3x3 have been key to its recent explosion in popularity and profile. In only a few years the sport has developed from an informal network of ›pickup‹ games modelled around ›streetball‹, to a professional competition tournament network in many countries around the world. Internationally, 3x3 debuted at the Youth Olympic Games Singapore 2010 and made its Olympic Games debut at Tokyo 2020.

### 3x3 Basketball and FISU

FISU has been in step with the development of 3x3 since the beginning. An ideal team sport for student-athletes on campus, the first university world championships in 3x3 took place in 2012 in Kragujevac, Serbia. It then became part of the FISU University World Cups programme and will make its FISU Games debut in 2025.

### Fun Fact

3x3 is known as ›the 10-minute sprint‹ due to its fast, intense, and explosive format.

### Glossary

<b>Two-pointer</b>	There is no three-point shot in 3x3. The ›typical‹ distance shot beyond the arc scores only two points.
<b>Ranking</b>	Every player registered with <a href="https://play.fiba3x3.com">play.fiba3x3.com</a> has their own ranking, which evolves according to results at FIBA-endorsed events. It allows players to compare their skills with friends, local players and pros from all over the globe.
<b>Interaction</b>	In 3x3, players may not interact with anybody outside the court. The players own the processes and if somebody does, the team will get called for a technical foul.

### International Basketball Federation

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### German Basketball Federation

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### International Wheelchair Basketball Federation

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# ARCHERY

Host City: **Essen**

Competition venues: **Sportpark Am Hallo Stadion** (qualification),  
**Zeche Zollverein** (finals)

FISU Games debut: **2003**

Past appearances: **7**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 10 Medal events

(For both recurve and compound divisions):

Men's Team / Women's Team / Mixed Team / Individual Men / Individual Women

## The sport

A target sport played using a bow and arrows, archery can be enjoyed from the recreational to elite levels regardless of age, gender or ability. At the Olympic and FISU Games, the sport is contested in two categories depending on the type of bow. Recurve bows are simpler to release than compound bows, which rely on a complex pulley system and let-off feature. Both require strength, a steady hand and sharp eye to operate.



## Origins

Archery can be traced to the Old Stone Age and the discovery in Africa of arrowheads dating from around 64,000 years ago. The first tournaments are thought to have taken place in People's Republic of China over 3,000 years ago. Archery featured at four of the six Olympic Games held from 1896 to 1920 but was left out of the programme for 52 years before its readmittance in 1972. Republic of Korea has traditionally excelled in the sport.

## Archery and FISU

The first World University Archery Championship were held in 1996 in Vaulx-en-Velin, France. Seven years later the sport debuted at the Universiade in Daegu, Republic of Korea, with the host nation winning five of the eight gold medals on offer. After five appearances as an optional sport at the Universiade, archery became a compulsory part of the FISU World University Games Summer programme in 2019.

## Fun Fact

It pays to be precise! To record the maximum score with a single arrow of ten points, archers must hit a centre ring measuring only 12.2cm in diameter from a distance of 70 metres in recurve, or only 8cm in diameter from a distance of 50 metres in compound.

## Glossary

- 10,10,10** A perfect score in archery: three arrows bedded into the centre of the target.
- Expand** When shooting in archery, the body expands to fight against the pull of the bow. For this reason, upper body and core strength are key to maintaining a steady firing position.
- Release** The critical moment when the finger is removed from the bowstring.

## World Archery Federation

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- [www.instagram.com/worldarchery](https://www.instagram.com/worldarchery)
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- [www.youtube.com/WorldArcheryTV](https://www.youtube.com/WorldArcheryTV)

## German Shooting and Archery Federation

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- [www.twitter.com/DSB\\_de](https://www.twitter.com/DSB_de)

# ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS



Host City: **Essen**

Competition venue: **Messe Essen (Halle 3)**

FISU Games debut: **1961**

Past appearances: **28**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 14 Medal events

Men's Team Final / Men's All Around / Men's Floor Exercise / Men's Pommel Horse / Men's Rings / Men's Vault / Men's Parallel Bars / Men's Horizontal Bar / Women's Team Final / Women's All-Around / Women's Vault / Women's Uneven Bars / Women's Balance Beam / Women's Floor Exercise

## The sport

Artistic gymnastics combines speed, strength, power and flexibility with tumbling and acrobatic skills, all performed with an emphasis on style and grace. Student-athletes perform short routines for the floor exercise and for other events on various pieces of apparatus, namely the vault – used by men and women – and additionally on the pommel horse, rings, parallel bars and horizontal bar for men; and on the uneven bars and balance beam for women. From 2005 the mode of scoring changed from a maximum of ten points to a combination of a D score (representing the difficulty/content of the exercise) and an E score (execution). This has enabled a greater variation between athlete performances.

## Origins

The term ›gymnastics‹ is attributed to Friedrich Ludwig Jahn, a German educator known as ›Turnvater Jahn‹ (Gymnastics Father Jahn), who began physically training young men in the early 1800s in response to the Napoleonic occupation of Prussia. He founded the first public gymnastics area at the Hasenheide in Berlin in 1811 and introduced apparatus such as the parallel bars and the horizontal bar. The new sport grew in popularity and in 1881 the International Gymnastics Federation was founded. Gymnastics was part of the programme of the newly revived Olympic Games in Athens in 1896.

## Artistic gymnastics and FISU

Artistic gymnastics has featured at all but three editions of the summer Universiade and FISU World University Games Summer. It was added to the programme for Sofia 1961 and will make its 17th straight appearance in 2025.

## Fun Fact

Founded in 1881, the International Gymnastics Federation is the oldest international sports federation in the world.

## Glossary

<b>Tumbling</b>	A swift and rhythmical succession of acrobatic bounding from hands to feet, feet to hands or even feet directly back onto feet during a floor exercise
<b>Connection value</b>	Bonus points or tenths of points awarded to gymnasts who incorporate difficult combinations of skills into their routines.
<b>Stick</b>	Completing a landing without taking any steps, and therefore receiving no landing deductions. ›Sticking a landing‹ at the end of a routine is every gymnast's hope

## Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique

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## German Gymnastics Federation

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# ATHLETICS

Host City: **Bochum**

Competition venue: **Lohrheidestadion**

FISU Games debut: **1959**

Past appearances: **31**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 51 Medal events

**Track (men and women):** 100m / 200m / 400m / 800m / 1500m / 5000m / 10.000m / 100mH, 110mH / 400mH / 3000m SC / 4x100m / 4x400m / 4x400m Mixed

**Field (men and women):** High jump / long jump / triple jump / pole vault / shot put / discus throw / javelin throw / hammer throw

**Combined:** Decathlon (men) / heptathlon (women)

**Road (men and women):** Half-marathon / 20km race walk (both held at Kemnader See) team ranking

## The sport

Perhaps more than any other sport, athletics embodies the Olympic motto of 'Faster, Higher, Stronger'. Students compete in disciplines that demand speed, precision, and strength – through swift sprints, tactical endurance races, long throws, or outstanding jumps. From Usain Bolt's world records in sprinting to the origins of the marathon, athletics is a versatile and demanding sport. It not only fosters athletic competition but also promotes teamwork and values such as discipline and perseverance, all while showcasing the extraordinary capabilities of the human body.



## Origins

Athletics is by nature the oldest form of sport, having developed out of the most basic of human activities: walking, running, jumping, and throwing. Organised athletics competitions are traceable to the ancient Olympic Games held in Greece from 776 BC to 393AD. The rules and format of the modern events in athletics were defined in Western Europe and North America in the 1800s and were then exported around the world. When the Olympic Games were reborn in Athens in 1896, athletics was at the top of the programme.

## Athletics and FISU

With over 1,000 student-athletes across 51 disciplines, athletics is the biggest sport by participation at the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games. Athletics has been an integral part of the FISU programme since the first Universiade was held in 1959 in Turin, and has produced numerous future stars – including discus thrower Daniel Jasinski, hammer thrower Bettina Heidler, and sprint legend Wayde van Niekerk. The next generation of track and field talent now have the ideal stage on which to shine: the newly renovated Lohrheidestadion in Bochum.

## Fun Fact

The FISU World University Games record in the women's shot put has stood since 1973, when Nadezhda Chizhova threw 20.82 metres at the Moscow Universiade. She had arrived at her third and final Universiade as the world record holder and Olympic champion.

## Glossary

- False start** If the athlete moves within 0.1 seconds after the gun has fired the athlete has false-started.
- Bell lap** The final lap of a multi-lap race on the track, named because a bell is rung to alert runners.
- Baton** The hollow tube passed between runners in relay races.

## World Athletics

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## German Athletics Federation

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# BADMINTON

Host City: **Mülheim an der Ruhr**

Competition venue: **Westenergie Sporthalle**

FISU Games debut: **2007**

Past appearances: **6**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 6 Medal events

Men's and women's singles / Men's and women's doubles / Mixed doubles / Mixed team

## The sport

Badminton is a racket sport in which players score points by striking a shuttlecock over a net and landing it in their opponent's half of a rectangular court. While points are generally scored after a few exchanges of the shuttle, rallies can be as long as 100 shots or one minute in duration, especially in the doubles format. Matches are best-of-three games; each game played to 21 points (or higher until a two-point lead is established).



## Origins

With roots traceable to ancient Greece, Great Britain, India and Japan, a standardised form of the sport was unveiled in 1873 at Badminton House in Gloucestershire, UK. Two decades later, the Badminton Association of England published the first set of official rules and in 1899 the All England Open Badminton Championships, the oldest surviving badminton competition in the world, was first contested.

## Badminton and FISU

Although badminton joined the compulsory programme of the FISU World University Games Summer in 2021, it was first contested as an optional sport at the Bangkok 2007 Universiade. Before that, Nicosia in Cyprus hosted the first World University Badminton Championships in 1990. Unlike at an Olympic Games, at the FISU Games the losers of the semifinal matches share the bronze medal.

## Fun Fact

Each badminton shuttlecock is made using 16 feathers plucked from the left wing of a goose.

## Glossary

<b>Drift</b>	The impact of wind on the flight of the shuttlecock
<b>Hairpin Net Shot</b>	Shot made from below and very close to the net with the shuttle rising, just clearing the net, and then dropping sharply down the other side.
<b>Kill</b>	Fast, downward shot that cannot be returned and ›kills‹ the rally.

## Badminton World Federation

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## German Badminton Association

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# BASKETBALL

Host Cities: **Essen**      Competition venues: **Grugahalle** (finals), **Sporthalle Am Hallo**  
**Duisburg**      **Walter-Schädlich-Halle**  
**Hagen**      **Ischelandhalle**

FISU Games debut: **1959**      Past appearances: **30**      Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 2 Medal events

Men's tournament / Women's tournament

## The sport

Basketball is a sport played by two opposing teams of five players on a rectangular 28m × 15m indoor court. The aim of the game is to score as many points as possible by throwing the ball through a hoop suspended 3.05m above the floor and scoring one-, two- and three-pointers, depending on how far away from the hoop the player shoots. In the FISU World University Games, basketball games consist of four quarters, each lasting 10 minutes.



## Origins

Basketball was first played in the United States in December 1891, when a teacher named James Naismith invented a new way to keep students physically active indoors during the winter. The first game was played with a soccer-style ball and two peach baskets at the International YMCA Training School in Springfield, Massachusetts. It quickly gained popularity and became an Olympic sport in 1936. Today, basketball is enjoyed by millions worldwide.

## Basketball and FISU

Basketball became a compulsory sport at the Universiade in Turin in 1959. Renowned for its participation of high-level athletes, the basketball tournament is highly anticipated at the FISU World University Games, drawing top talent from universities worldwide.

## Fun Fact

When setting up the first game of basketball, James Naismith placed the peach baskets at the height of the gym's balcony railing: precisely 3.05 metres. That measurement has remained the standard height for basketball hoops worldwide.

## Glossary

<b>Triple Threat</b>	Holding the ball ready to pass, shoot, or dribble.
<b>Pick and Roll</b>	Setting a screen then rolling toward the basket for a pass.
<b>Slam Dunk</b>	A showpiece move in which a player jumps near to the basket and, without throwing the ball, forcefully slams it down through the hoop.

## International Basketball Federation

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# BEACH VOLLEYBALL

Host City: **Duisburg**

Competition venue: **Sportpark Duisburg**

FISU Games debut: **2011**

Past appearances: **2**

Compulsory sport? **No**

## 2 Medal events

Men's tournament / Women's tournament

## The sport

Beach volleyball is a dynamic sport in which teams of two players compete on an 8 x 16 metres sand court divided by a net. Points are scored by landing the ball in the opponents' half, or when the opponents fail to return the shot. Unlike indoor volleyball and most other team sports, there are no substitutes in beach volleyball, turning top level contests into a 'survival of the fittest'. The first two sets are played to 21 points (or higher until a two-point lead is established). If each team wins one set, a deciding set is played to 15 points.



## Origins

Beach volleyball was most likely first played on Waikiki Beach in Honolulu, Hawaii, in 1915, when George David Center strung a fishing net between two coconut trees and invited his friends to play volleyball on sand for the first time. The new sport soon reached mainland United States, taking root in the coastal communities of California and most notably in Santa Monica, where the first inter-club competitions were staged in 1924. Although its popularity grew rapidly, it had to wait until 1992 before entering the Olympic Games in one of the world's greatest beach cities: Barcelona.

## Beach volleyball and FISU

Beach volleyball has featured on the FISU programme since 2002, when the French overseas territory of Guadeloupe in the Caribbean hosted the inaugural World University Beach Volleyball Championship. An optional pick at the Universiades in Shenzhen (2011) and Kazan (2013), beach volleyball is making its third FISU Games appearance – again as an optional sport.






## Fun Fact

Chicken wings are not just for the kitchen - they are also the name of a special defence technique in beach volleyball. If a defending player is faced with a spike to their upper body, a common way of playing the ball with minimal reaction time is to lift a bent arm (looking like a chicken wing).

## Glossary

- Dig** a move in which the defender (the teammate who is not at the net) retrieves the ball before it touches the ground.
- Over on one** (aka ›Laser‹ / ›The Ludwig‹) a play made famous by the legendary Laura Ludwig, in which a defender reads the attacker's intentions and skilfully returns the ball to the opponent's backcourt, showcasing a high level of game intelligence and defensive prowess.
- Side Out** situation when the receiving team wins the point and gains the right to serve the ball. In the side-out situation, you have the first chance to attack and score a point.

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# DIVING



Host City: **Berlin**

Competition venue: **Schwimm- und Sprunghalle  
im Europasportpark (SSE)**

FISU Games debut: **1961**

Past appearances: **28**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 13 Medal events

1m Springboard (men, women) / 3m Springboard (men, women, men synchro, women synchro, mixed synchro) / Platform (men, women) / 10m Platform (men synchro, women synchro, mixed synchro)

**Team Event:** Men's Team Award (no competition, only medals) /

Women's Team Award (no competition, only medals)

## The sport

Diving involves jumping into a deep pool of water as elegantly as possible from different heights and using various techniques. At the Olympic and FISU World University Games, competitors execute their dives from a lower springboard or a higher fixed platform. Dives are judged on criteria including complexity, execution and entry into the water, and - for the synchronised events - on how closely the two divers mirror one another.

## Origins

Diving developed as a competitive sport in Germany and Sweden in the early 1800s, when gymnasts began performing acrobatics while jumping into the water. The first competitions in front of spectators were held in Halle in the east of Germany, when competitors jumped from bridges into the Saale River. Towards the end of the 1800s, Swedish divers began showcasing their skills at the National Graceful Diving Competition in Great Britain – the first world championship event in high diving. This led to the establishment of the Amateur Diving Association in 1901 and, three years later, to the debut of diving at the Olympic Games.

## Diving and FISU

Diving entered the programme of the summer Universiade in Sofia, Bulgaria, in 1961 and has since featured at all but two Universiades and FISU World University Games. Great Britain led the medals table in Sofia with USA, Germany, Japan and Russian Federation all prominent over the next two decades before People's Republic of China began a spell of dominance in 1981 which continues to this day.

## Fun Fact

Modern diving springboards are made from a single-piece extrusion of aircraft-grade aluminium.

## Glossary

<b>Shredding pit</b>	A dry jump facility containing thousands of foam shreds which prevent injuries to divers practising various exercises including somersaults and twists.
<b>Pike</b>	A position in which the diver bends their legs at the waist up toward their head so that the legs are straight, and the toes are pointed..
<b>Immersion phase</b>	The final element of a jump scored by judges, with higher marks awarded to vertical entries creating minimal splash.

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# FENCING

Host City: **Essen**

Competition venue: **Messe Essen (Halle 5)**

FISU Games debut: **1959**

Past appearances: **30**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 12 Medal events

Epee (men, women, men's team, women's team) / Foil (men, women, men's team, women's team) /

Sabre (men, women, men's team, women's team)

## The sport

Fencing is a fast, dynamic sport in which the aim of every bout is to hit your opponent without being hit yourself. Individual and team events are held in three disciplines: épée, foil and sabre. In épée and foil, fencers only score when they strike their opponent with the point of their weapon, but with the sabre, valid hits can be made with the tip or the whole blade. In all three versions, the target area on the opponent's body differs. Compliance with the conventions and the legality of a hit is judged by the referee. For the team events, three fencers compete individually in bouts against the three fencers from the other team.



## Origins

Fencing developed from being a form of military training into a sport in Germany and Italy in the 1300s or 1400s. With the invention of a weapon with a flattened tip, a mask made of wire mesh and the creation of a set of rules, fencing grew in popularity during the 1600s. Fencing has been an Olympic sport since 1896.

## Fencing and FISU

Fencing is one of the compulsory sports of the FISU World University Games and has been on the programme of every edition since 1959.

## Fun Fact

The Iron Maiden singer Bruce Dickinson is an active fencer and competes in veteran competitions (for fencers over 60 years of age).

## Glossary

<b>En garde</b>	a request to the fencers to take their positions before a match or after a break in the fight.
<b>Flèche</b>	A short running attack in foil and épée fencing (the move is illegal in sabre). Flèche means ›arrow‹ in French.
<b>Touché</b>	the word used to confirm a hit with which a fencer has scored a point.

## International Fencing Federation

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## German Fencing Federation

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# JUDO

Host City: **Essen**

Competition venue: **Messe Essen (Halle 4)**

FISU Games debut: **1967**

Past appearances: **14**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 15 Medal events

**Men:** -60kg / -66kg / -73kg / -81kg / -90kg / -100kg / +100kg

**Women:** -48kg / -52kg / -57kg / -63kg / -70kg / -78kg / +78kg

Mixed team

## The sport

Judo is a traditional Japanese martial art in which competitors named Judoka face each other in single combat. In Japanese, the word 'judo' means 'the gentle way', but in practise the sport relies on core strength, and the person who dominates the grip is usually in the best position to dominate the fight. Judo is built upon a philosophical principle of maximising efficiency and minimising effort, which remains fundamental to the sport.



## Origins

Judo is derived from jiu-jitsu, the hand-to-hand combat technique of ancient samurai warriors. Japanese in origin, Dr Jigoro Kano is credited with opening the first judo school (dojo) in Tokyo in 1882. The first martial art widely practised outside of Japan, judo joined debuted at Olympic Games Tokyo 1964 and has been an ever present on the Olympic programme since Munich 1972.

## Judo and FISU

Following the success of its Olympics debut, Judo was included as an optional sport at the Tokyo 1967 Universiade. It was as an optional pick on five more occasions before the sport became a compulsory element in time for the Bangkok 2007 Universiade.

## Fun Fact

Numbers game: Laura Vargas-Koch, who won a silver medal in the women's 70kg category at the Shenzhen 2011 Universiade and a bronze medal at Olympic Games Rio 2016, is now the professor for mathematics at the University of Bonn.

## Glossary

**Judoka** The name given to a competitor in judo

**Judogi** the formal Japanese name for the traditional uniform used for Judo practice and competition by the judoka

**Ippon** the highest score in judo, enough to win the fight outright

## International Judo Federation

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## German Judo Federation

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# RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS



Host City: **Essen**

Competition venue: **Messe Essen (Halle 4)**

FISU Games debut: **1991**

Past appearances: **14**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 8 Medal events

Individual All-Around / Individual Hoop / Individual Ball / Individual Clubs / Individual Ribbon / Group All-Around / Group 5 Ribbons / Group 3 Balls and 2 Hoops

## The sport

A women-only discipline, Rhythmic gymnastics combines elements of traditional dance and artistic gymnastics and can best be described as 'expression through movement'. In the individual events, gymnasts perform four routines using a ribbon, hoop, ball, and clubs. Each performance is set to music and must be 75 to 90 seconds in duration. The group event sees a team of five gymnasts all performing twice. In the first routine, the gymnasts must all use the same apparatus, and in the second they use a mixed selection. Routines are evaluated using a combination of the D-score (difficulty / content of the exercise), the A score (Artistry), and the E score (execution).

## Origins

Rhythmic gymnastics evolved from the mass gymnastics popularised in Europe from the late 1800s. The Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique (FIG) recognised rhythmic gymnastics as a discipline in 1961, two years before the first world championships were held in Budapest, Hungary. Rhythmic joined the Olympic programme at the 1984 Games in Los Angeles, USA.

## Rhythmic gymnastics and FISU

The sole women-only discipline in the FISU programme, rhythmic gymnastics made its debut at the Sheffield 1991 Universiade. Russian Federation lead the all-time medals table, followed by Ukraine. These two countries account for over half of the 315 medals won in the event to date.

## Fun Fact

At the age of only 16, Germany's Darja Varfolomeev won all five individual events at the 2023 World Championships in Valencia. For her hoop choreography, she chose the soundtrack from ›The Man from U.N.C.L.E.«.

## Glossary

<b>Code of Points</b>	The criteria by which judges evaluate routines in major international competitions, including world championships and the Olympics.
<b>Formation</b>	The arrangement of gymnasts in a group routine; a minimum of six different formations is required.
<b>Snake</b>	A move whereby the ribbon's rippling movement resembles the slithering of a snake.

## Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique

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## German Gymnastics Federation

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# ROWING

Host City: **Duisburg**

Competition venue: **Regattabahn Duisburg**

FISU Games debut: **1987**

Past appearances: **6**

Compulsory sport? **No**

## 11 Medal events

Single scull (men and women) / Double scull (men and women) / Coxless pairs (men and women) / Coxless fours (men and women) / Mixed Quadruple Scull (mixed) / Coxed eight (men and women)

## The sport

Competitive rowing involves crews of one, two, four or eight people propelling a boat using fixed oars while sitting with their backs to the direction of travel. This makes rowing one of the few sports where competitors cross the finish line facing backwards. In some races such as the eight, crews include a coxswain, who steers the boat and directs the crew. Rowers have one oar each except in sculling, when each rower has two oars or 'sculls', one on each side of the boat.



## Origins

Originally a practical mode of transport in ancient Egypt, Greece and Rome, rowing developed into a sport in England around the start of the 1700s. The annual Oxford and Cambridge University Boat Race began on the River Thames in London in 1829. Even though World Rowing was the first international sport federation to join the modern Olympic movement, bad weather on the open water course meant all races at Athens 1896 were cancelled and the sport did not officially enter the Olympic Games until four years later in Paris. Women's events were not added to the Olympic programme until Montreal 1976.

## Rowing and FISU

An official World University Championship sport since 1984, rowing has also appeared as an optional sport on the programme of several Universiades (1987, 1989, 1993, 2013, 2015) and at Chengdu 2021. Despite not being a compulsory part of the FISU World University Games programme, nearly half of all rowers taking part in domestic rowing competitions are either university students or are associated with a university.

## Fun Fact

A competitive rower can burn calories at a rate of up to 1,200 per hour, making it one of the most physically exerting sports.

## Glossary

<b>Shell</b>	Another name for the boat
<b>Bow</b>	The rower closest to the front of a shell. In coxless boats, the rower in this position usually keeps an eye on the water behind the boat, to avoid accidents.
<b>Engine room</b>	The middle rowers in an eight-person shell, who are generally the biggest and strongest rowers and will provide most of the power to the boat.

## World Rowing

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## German Rowing Federation

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# SWIMMING

Host City: **Berlin**

Competition venue: **Schwimm- und Sprunghalle  
im Europasportpark (SSE)**

FISU Games debut: **1959**

Past appearances: **29**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 42 Medal events

**Individual events for men and women:** / Freestyle: 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m / Backstroke: 50m, 100m, 200m / Breaststroke: 50m, 100m, 200m / Butterfly: 50m, 100m, 200m / Individual Medley: 200m, 400m

**Relays for men and women:** 4x100m freestyle / 4x200m freestyle / 4x100m medley

**Mixed relays:** 4x100m freestyle / 4x100m medley

## The sport

Swimming competitions consist of individual and relay races over distances from 50 to 1500 metres, usually in a 50-metre indoor pool. Events are divided among four different strokes, which are then combined in the medleys. The fastest stroke is freestyle (typically front crawl), followed by butterfly, backstroke and finally breaststroke. Swimmers must qualify from heats through semi-finals until the fastest eight swimmers compete for the medals in the final.



## Origins

The earliest records of swimming have been found in Stone Age paintings dated to around 10,000 years ago. Written references date from 2000 BC, but it was not until the early 1800s that Europeans began building the first indoor swimming pools. The formation of the first swimming federations throughout Europe in the 1880s and 1890s was followed by the inclusion of the sport at the reborn Olympic Games in Athens in 1896. A women's competition was added in 1912, and the sport has remained on the Olympic programme ever since.

## Swimming and FISU

Swimming debuted at the Turin 1959 Universiade and has only missed two FISU Games since: 1975 in Rome and 1989 in Duisburg. USA leads the all-time table in swimming, with over 700 medals. For the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games, the events will be held at the gargantuan Schwimm- und Sprunghalle im Europasportpark (SSE), the largest swimming facility in Europe with a main competition pool known throughout the world for its ›fast‹ water and potential for record breaking performances.

## Fun Fact

How do long-distance swimmers keep count of their laps? Technology is little use to them underwater, so on the side opposite the start, turning boards are held up for each athlete, showing the number of laps they still have to swim.

## Glossary

<b>Feel for the water</b>	The key principle of a swimmer's ›feel‹ for the water is based on the interplay between propulsion and resistance – creating the ›right‹ form of drag. Also, every pool water feels different, and a little relearning of the ›feel‹ is needed.
<b>Turns</b>	In swimming, there are two types of turns: one is rolling forward (flip turn) and the other is tilting sideways (open turn).
<b>Touch</b>	The final touch of the wall to finish the race. For international meets, these are registered with automatic touch pads installed on the wall of the pool.

## World Aquatics

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# TABLE TENNIS

Host City: **Essen**

Competition venue: **Messe Essen (Halle 1)**

FISU Games debut: **2001**

Past appearances: **9**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 7 Medal events

Men's and women's singles / Men's and women's doubles / Mixed doubles /  
Men's team and women's team

## The sport

Table tennis is played by individuals or pairs hitting a very light ball over a low net strung across the middle of a table measuring 2.74 × 1.52 metres. The small rackets are wooden with short handles and a rubberised playing surface glued to each side. The rules are very simple: players must land the ball on the opposite side of the table and force their opponents into a miss or false shot to win the rally. At the FISU Games, matches are played as a ›best-of-seven‹ sets, with each set won by two clear points at 11 points or over.



## Origins

Table tennis originated in England towards the end of the 1800s, when it was played as an after-dinner parlour game by the upper classes. Originally referred to by the trade name ›ping pong‹, the current name was adopted in 1921–22. The International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) was founded in 1926 by England and Wales plus Austria, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Germany, Hungary, India, and Sweden. The sport was first included on the Olympic programme at Olympic Games Seoul 1988.

## Table tennis and FISU

Table tennis debuted at the Beijing 2001 Universiade and has historically been dominated by People's Republic of China, who claimed all seven gold medals last time out at Chengdu 2021.

## Fun Fact

The ball only touches the racket for 1/1000th of a second and deforms by up to 20% when hit, instantly regaining its shape (elastic deformation). When picked up and squeezed, however, the ball deforms permanently (plastic deformation).

## Glossary

<b>Chop Block</b>	Best executed against incoming topspin shots, a chopped return propels the ball upwards off the racket with an enormous amount of spin, usually dropping short over the net and creating problems for the opponent.
<b>Shakehand/Penhold</b>	The two most common racket grips. The ›penhold‹ position has traditionally been used in Asia but is under threat from the shakehand variant popularised in Europe.
<b>Rubber</b>	The outermost covering of both sides of a bat. These do not have to be the same and will affect the speed and power of the shots.

## International Table Tennis Federation

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## German Table Tennis Federation

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# TAEKWONDO

Host City: **Essen**

Competition venue: **Messe Essen (Halle 6)**

FISU Games debut: **2003**

Past appearances: **9**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 24 Medal events

**Poomsae:** Men's and women's individual / Men's and women's team / Mixed pair

**Kyorugi (men):** -54kg / -58kg / -63kg / -68kg / -74kg / -80kg / -87kg / +87kg

**Kyorugi (women):** -46kg / -49kg / -53kg / -57kg / -62kg / -67kg / -73kg / +73kg

Men's and Women's Team / Mixed Team

## The sport

Taekwondo is one of the most systematic and scientific Korean traditional martial arts, that teaches more than physical fighting skills. Basic techniques are the blocks, strikes, kicks and stances, often demonstrated in a flowing movement. Competitions consist of individual and team events in two disciplines: poomsae and kyorugi. Poomsae involves fixed – and, in the final round, freestyle – sequences of attack and defence techniques performed against an imaginary opponent. The kyorugi competition, by contrast, sees two fighters in protective equipment compete over two or three rounds, with bouts decided on points awarded by a panel of judges.



## Origins

While the exact origins of the sport are unclear, a form of taekwondo is thought to have been practised in Korea around 2,000 years ago as a means of strengthening the mind and body. When taekwondo became a modern sport in the 1900s, it preserved the spirit, force and appeal of this martial art, and settled on Seoul as its spiritual home city. The first taekwondo school (Kwan) was started there in 1945 and the international federation followed in 1973. When the Republic of Korea capital hosted the Olympic Games in 1988, taekwondo was the obvious choice of new sport on the programme.

## Taekwondo and FISU

Although taekwondo joined the compulsory programme of the FISU Summer Universiade only in 2017, it had been an optional sport since the Daegu 2003 Universiade and was absent in only Kazan in 2013.

## Fun Fact

The name ›Taekwondo‹ translates from Korean to English as ›the art of kicking and punching‹.

## Glossary

<b>Chung, Hong!</b>	A call made by the referee to summon the blue and red competitors to the court – an 8-metre diameter octagon.
<b>Shijak</b>	The starting signal for kyorugi and poomsae.
<b>Kal-yeo</b>	The referee's order to break, after which the competitors are not allowed to attack each other.

## World Taekwondo

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# TENNIS

Host City: **Essen**

Competition venue: **ETUF Tennisanlage**

FISU Games debut: **1959**

Past appearances: **29**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 7 Medal events

Men's and women's singles / Men's and women's doubles / Mixed doubles /  
Men's team / Women's team

## The sport

Tennis is a racket sport played between individuals (singles) or pairs (doubles) on a court marked out in white on either a grass, clay or hard surface. The object of the game is to hit the ball over a dividing net so that the opponent is unable to return the ball. The court is always 23.77 metres in length but measures 8.23 metres wide for singles matches and 10.97 metres wide for doubles. Four points win a game, six games win a set, and two (or sometimes three) sets win the match.



## Origins

Although the precise origins of tennis are unclear, the sport could have its roots in a ball game played by monks in France in the 1100s called ›jeu de paume‹, meaning ›game of the hand‹. Consequently, the name ›tennis‹ could be derived from the French ›tenez‹, which means ›take this‹ or ›be ready‹. Rackets were first used instead of hands in the 1500s and in 1530, King Henry VIII of England built a court at Hampton Court Palace outside London. The All England Club created the first international tennis competition at Wimbledon in 1877 and the sport was on the programme for the rebirth of the Olympic Games at Athens in 1896.

## Tennis and FISU

As one of the world's most popular pastimes, tennis has a long tradition in university sport and has since 1959 been a regular feature of the FISU World University Games, appearing in all but the 1975 and 1989 Universiades.

## Fun Fact

Ion Tiriac won two gold and three bronze medals across the Sofia 1961 and Budapest 1965 Universiades but he is unique among all student-athletes for what he did in between: play for the Romanian ice hockey team at Olympic Winter Games Innsbruck 1964. Nicknamed the ›Braşov Bulldozer‹ after the city of his birth, Tiriac's professional tennis career peaked with the men's doubles title at the 1970 French open.

## Glossary

<b>Tweener</b>	Difficult shot where the player hits the ball between their legs, usually while running away from the net towards the baseline.
<b>Tiebreak</b>	A one-off game to decide the winner of a set when two players have won six games apiece.
<b>Golden Set</b>	Winning 24 points in a row to take a ›perfect‹ set, 6-0.

## International Tennis Federation

- [www.itftennis.com](http://www.itftennis.com)
- [www.instagram.com/itftennis](https://www.instagram.com/itftennis)
- [www.facebook.com/InternationalTennisFederation](https://www.facebook.com/InternationalTennisFederation)
- [www.twitter.com/ITFTennis](https://www.twitter.com/ITFTennis)
- [www.youtube.com/@ITF.Tennis](https://www.youtube.com/@ITF.Tennis)

## German Tennis Federation

- [www.tennis.de/dtb](http://www.tennis.de/dtb)
- [www.instagram.com/deutscher\\_tennis\\_bund](https://www.instagram.com/deutscher_tennis_bund)
- [www.facebook.com/DeutscherTennisBund](https://www.facebook.com/DeutscherTennisBund)
- [www.twitter.com/tennisbund](https://www.twitter.com/tennisbund)
- [youtube.com/DeutscherTennisBund](https://youtube.com/DeutscherTennisBund)



# VOLLEYBALL

Host City: **Berlin**

Competition venues: **Max-Schmeling Halle**  
**Sportforum Große Sporthalle**  
**Ballsporthalle Köpenick**  
**Horst-Korber Sportzentrum**

FISU Games debut: **1959**

Past appearances: **29**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 2 Medal events

Men's tournament / Women's tournament

## The sport

Volleyball is a dynamic team sport characterised by powerful ›spikes‹ and desperate defensive dives, with high jumping, strong teamwork and communication the essential ingredients for success. In standard competitions, two teams of six players face each other on a court divided by a net hung at 2.43 metres for men's competitions and 2.24 metres for women's. A maximum of three touches are allowed before a team must return the ball to the other side of the net and to score a point, the ball must touch the ground in the opposition half or land out after an opponent has touched it last. Matches are won when a team gains three sets, each played to 25 points (or higher until a two-point lead is established). If both teams have won two sets, a deciding set is played to 15 points.



## Origins

Volleyball dates to 1895, when William G Morgan developed the sport as a non-contact alternative to basketball and handball. Morgan had previously played American Football under the tutelage of James Naismith - the inventor of basketball - at the International YMCA Training School in Springfield, Massachusetts. For his new sport, Morgan chose the name ›Mintonette‹ - a derivation of ›badminton‹ - but this was soon changed to ›volley ball‹, only officially becoming one word in 1952. The international volleyball federation (FIVB) was founded in 1941 and volleyball was included on the Olympic programme for the first time at Tokyo 1964.

## Volleyball and FISU

Volleyball was included in the first Universiade held in Turin in 1959 and has missed only two Universiades or FISU Games since - in 1975 and 1989.

## Fun Fact

You love pancakes for breakfast? We also love them as technique of defending in volleyball. In a pancake defence, you put the flat of your hand (as flat as a pancake) between the ground and the ball just before the ball touches the ground.

## Glossary

- Libero** A defensive specialist who is not allowed to serve or be rotated into the frontline positions. Liberos wear a different coloured kit to their teammates and can be substituted into the game an unlimited number of times for any player in the backline.
- Spike** A ball hit with downward force by a jumper. When executed to maximum effect, a spike will kill the point by landing the ball in the opposition side of the court. A spike is usually made possible by a teammate's ›set‹.
- Block** A defensive play by one or more players designed to intercept and return a spiked ball back to the hitter's court.

## Fédération Internationale de Volleyball

- [www.fivb.com](http://www.fivb.com)
- [www.instagram.com/VolleyballWorld](https://www.instagram.com/VolleyballWorld)
- [www.facebook.com/VolleyballWorld](https://www.facebook.com/VolleyballWorld)
- [www.twitter.com/FIVBVolleyball](https://www.twitter.com/FIVBVolleyball)
- [www.youtube.com/@volleyballworld](https://www.youtube.com/@volleyballworld)

## German Volleyball Federation

- [www.volleyball-verband.de](http://www.volleyball-verband.de)
- [www.instagram.com/dvv\\_volleyball](https://www.instagram.com/dvv_volleyball)
- [www.facebook.com/DVV.Volleyball](https://www.facebook.com/DVV.Volleyball)
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# WATER POLO

Host City: **Duisburg**

Competition venues: **ASC Duisburg**

FISU Games debut: **1959**

Past appearances: **29**

Compulsory sport? **Yes**

## 2 Medal events

Men's tournament / Women's tournament

## The sport

Water polo is a competitive team sport played both outdoors and indoors between two teams of seven players. Matches comprise eight-minute quarters and are won by the team scoring the most goals. If there is a tie, the winner will be decided by penalty shootout. A fiercely competitive sport, common fouls include holding, sinking, or pulling back a player who is not holding the ball – all resulting in a 15-second exclusion. Other fouls such as taking the ball underwater are penalised with a free throw. Unlike most team sports, there is versatility in the positional play; outfield players will often fill several positions throughout the game as situations demand.



## Origins

Water polo was first played on the rivers and lakes of mid-1800s England as an aquatic version of rugby. While today the sport is known for its physicality, the early, unregulated encounters could be brutal. In 1870 the London Swimming Association formalised a set of rules and the sport expanded, transitioning to indoor pools and broadening its appeal worldwide. Water polo has featured on the Olympic programme since 1900.

## Water polo and FISU

The first university men's water polo tournament was played in Dortmund in 1953. The steady growth of the sport led to its inclusion on the programme of the first summer Universiade held in 1959 in Turin. A women's tournament has been included since Belgrade 2009.

## Fun Fact

With the first watertight balls made from Indian rubber, it is thought the name ›water polo‹ is based on the English pronunciation of the Balti word for ›ball‹ (pulu).

## Glossary

### Eggbeater kick

A downward thrust which gives players the power to climb high out of the water, overcome their opponent and shoot the ball

### Swim-off

A race to the centre of the pool after the referee has dropped the ball onto the water at the start of a period.

### Treading the water

Since the pool is too deep for the players to stand up, they use this technique for holding their position in the water.

## World Aquatics

[www.worldaquatics.com/water-polo](https://www.worldaquatics.com/water-polo)

## German Swimming Federation

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## ABBREVIATIONS

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### LONG FORM

AQUA	World Aquatics
BWF	Badminton World Federation
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CGS	FISU Sports Management Committee
CIC	FISU International Control Committee
CMI	FISU International Medical Committee
EC	FISU Executive Committee
FIBA	Fédération Internationale de Basketball
FIE	Fédération Internationale d'Escrime
FIG	Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique
FISU	International University Sports Federation
FISU Games	FISU World University Games
FISU Games ITC	FISU World University Games International Technical Committee
FISU GMS	FISU Games Management System
FIVB	Fédération Internationale de Volleyball
HoD	Head of Delegation
IF	International Federation
IJF	International Judo Federation
IOC	International Olympic Committee
ITF	International Tennis Federation

ITO	International Technical Official
ITTF	International Table Tennis Federation
NF	National Federation
NOC	National Olympic Committee
NTO	National Technical Official
NUSF	National University Sports Federation
OC	Organising Committee
SIC	Sport Information Centre
TCC	FISU World University Games Technical Committee Chair
TIC	Technical Information Centre
TO	Technical Official
WA	World Archery
WADA	World Anti-Doping Agency
WR	World Rowing
WT	World Taekwondo

## GLOSSARY

### TERMINOLOGY

### EXPLANATION

ORGANISING COUNTRY	The member of FISU of the country organising a FISU sporting event.
COUNTRY	The NUSF of a country entitled to enter teams in FISU sporting events or other authorised organisation entitled to do so.
SPORT	A sport which is governed by an International Sport Federation. Within FISU sport refers equally to “sport” and “sport discipline”.



SPORT DISCIPLINE	A sport discipline is a branch of a sport comprising one or more events.
SPORT EVENT	An event is a competition in a sport that gives rise to a ranking.
TEAM SPORTS	Are considered to be "team sports": Basketball, Volleyball, Water Polo, 3x3 Basketball, 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball and Beach Volleyball.
INDIVIDUAL SPORTS	Are considered to be "individual sports": Archery, Artistic Gymnastics, Athletics, Badminton, Diving, Fencing, Judo, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Rowing, Swimming, Table Tennis, Taekwondo, Tennis. Individual sports might be composed of individual events and team events (e.g. relays, team competitions, team classifications).
TECHNICAL OFFICIALS (TOs)	Technical Officials include referees and judges and other sport-specific officials that are required for the smooth running of the sports competitions. There are International Technical Officials (ITOs) and National Technical Officials (NTOs) in accordance with the rules and regulations of each sport. In principle, ITOs take the senior-officiating positions. They are nominated by the IFs or proposed by the NUSFs according to the technical regulations of each sport and approved by the FISU Games ITC. The numbers and functions of ITOs vary according to the sport. NTOs are nominated by the NFs in consultation with the OC and are taking a support role.
PARTICIPATION FEE	A participation fee is the fee that an Organising Committee is entitled to collect from the participating countries, per day and per person, to cover accommodation, food and beverages, transportation and other associated local services that are relevant for participating in the FISU World University Games, and in accordance with FISU rules.
FISU WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES PARTICIPANTS	FISU World University Games participants refer to all client groups holding an approved FISU World University Games accreditation card during the period as indicated on their accreditation card, including the delegations, Technical Officials, media representatives, FISU Family and Guests, workforce, etc.
FISU WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES VENUES	FISU World University Games venues refer to all venues related to the organisation and operation of the FISU World University Games, including but not limited to the following: the competition venues, the training venues, the official hotels, the Main Media Centre and the ceremony venues, etc.

Words of the plural number shall include the singular.

Words of the singular number shall include the plural.

# **FISU WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES GENERAL REGULATIONS**



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# FISU WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES GENERAL REGULATIONS

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

1.1. The FISU World University Games will be organised in the Rhine-Ruhr region of Germany from 16 to 27 July 2025 by the German National University Sports Federation (adh) and the Organising Committee, under the auspices of the International University Sports Federation (FISU).

1.2. The FISU World University Games are organised every two years, in odd-numbered years.

1.3. The FISU World University Games shall be organised in the FISU spirit, according to which no discrimination is allowed against any country or person on ground of race, skin colour, ethnic, national or social origin, gender, language, religion, political affiliation, political opinion or any other opinion, disability, wealth, birth or any other status, sexual orientation, or on any other grounds.

1.4. The present regulations for FISU sporting events constitute the law governing legal relations between all parties.

"Parties" mean all persons by public, private, physical or moral right, participating in the FISU World University Games.

The organisers are obliged to provide the text of the present regulations to all persons who are apt to participate, from a sports or commercial standpoint, in the organisation of the FISU World University Games.

Consequently, the organisers are responsible for applying these regulations, without restriction, for all particular agreements.

1.5. Only the following may take part in the FISU World University Games:

a. An active Member Association of FISU;

b. In the case of non-affiliation to FISU:

- A country whose National Olympic Committee is allowed to take part in the Olympic Games;
- A country not having a National Olympic Committee recognised by the IOC may take part in those sports for which there is a NF of that country which is affiliated to the appropriate IF. The FISU Executive Committee will take a decision for each sport in which the country wishes to participate.

1.6. Only the athletes who satisfy the conditions laid down under Art. 5.3 may take part in a FISU sporting event.

### 1.7. Intellectual properties

1.7.1 The intellectual properties of FISU include all copyright, patents, registered and unregistered trademarks, registered designs, trade secrets and know-how and all other intellectual property as defined in Article 2 of the Convention Establishing the World Intellectual Property Organization of July 1967.

In particular, the following and their derivatives are the exclusive property of FISU:

- a. The FISU logo, original and extended versions;
- b. The designations of FISU events;
- c. The FISU motto;
- d. The marks of FISU events (they are all the marks related to FISU and FISU events/assets);
- e. Marketing and radio, television and other broadcasting rights;
- f. Social media and live streaming platform (FISU.tv).

- 1.7.2 Only FISU may authorise the use of its properties or delegate their usage to an Organising Committee or a third party. In each case, the use of its properties must be in accordance with the spirit and regulations of FISU. Any grant, licence or commercial use must contain the present regulation and be respected by the parties concerned.

## **1.8 Designations**

Designations for FISU sporting events are "copyrighted" and are protected names. This means that they cannot be modified in any way and their use for advertising or commercial purposes must be authorised by FISU.

## **1.9 FISU and Event Marks (including logotype)**

- 1.9.1 All FISU and Event Marks are 'copyrighted'. This means that they cannot in any way be modified and their use for advertising or commercial purposes must be authorised by FISU.
- 1.9.2 Any usage of FISU and Event logos on promotional and educational documents and material related to a FISU event must be approved by FISU.
- 1.9.3 The use of the FISU logo must comply with the FISU Logo Guidelines.

## **1.10 Advertising**

- 1.10.1 All advertising during the FISU World University Games - in particular, during the official ceremonies and at the competition and accommodation sites - must be submitted to FISU for prior approval.
- 1.10.2 Advertising on equipment and sports clothing must be in accordance with the regulations of FISU (if any) or of the appropriate IF.

# **2. SPORTS PROGRAMME**

The FISU World University Games sports programme includes compulsory and optional sports and shall last 12 days.

In case of agreement between FISU and the Organising Committee, some competitions may start before the Opening Ceremony.

No final competition may take place before the opening ceremony.

## **2.1 Compulsory sports**

The compulsory sports of the FISU World University Games are:

Archery	(men and women)
Artistic Gymnastics	(men and women)
Athletics	(men and women)
Badminton	(men and women)
Basketball	(men and women)
Diving	(men and women)
Fencing	(men and women)
Judo	(men and women)
Rhythmic Gymnastics	(women)
Swimming	(men and women)
Table Tennis	(men and women)
Taekwondo	(men and women)
Tennis	(men and women)
Volleyball	(men and women)
Water Polo	(men and women)



## 2.2 Optional sports/ Para sports events

For the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games the optional sports are:

3x3 Basketball	(men and women)
Beach Volleyball	(men and women)
Rowing	(men and women)

For the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games the following Para sports events will be organised:

3x3 Wheelchair Basketball (men and women)

## 2.3 Cancellation

A sport event may be cancelled by FISU, in consultation with the Organising Committee, if, at the closing date for Quantitative Entry, the number of participants is less than:

- a. Individual events: eight (from at least four countries and two different continents);
- b. Team events: six teams (from at least two different continents);
- c. Team sports: six teams (from at least two different continents).

The Organising Committee shall be responsible for advising all participating countries two months before the opening ceremony of any cancellation of events resulting from a lack of entries.

## 2.4 Dates

The official dates will be determined from the day of the opening ceremony until the day of the closing ceremony.

The FISU World University Games will be held in the Rhine-Ruhr region of Germany from 16 to 27 July 2025.

# 3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF FISU

## 3.1 Generalities

3.1.1 FISU shall have complete control over the FISU World University Games but shall entrust the FISU Member Association of the organising country and the Organising Committee with the organisation of the FISU World University Games.

3.1.2 The FISU Executive Committee shall also nominate for each FISU World University Games:

- a. One International Control Committee (CIC) which shall be responsible for controlling the eligibility of athletes and accreditation of delegations, officials, and athletes at the FISU World University Games;
- b. One FISU World University Games International Technical Committee (FISU Games ITC) for the FISU World University Games which shall be responsible for the observance of the sport regulations;
- c. One International Medical Committee (CMI) which shall be responsible for doping control and medical services for FISU World University Games participants.

3.1.3 FISU shall be responsible for the approval of the regulations for each FISU World University Games and shall ensure that all countries entitled to participate shall receive the regulations one year before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

## 3.2 FISU Executive Committee

3.2.1 For the duration of the FISU World University Games, the FISU Executive Committee shall be the final deciding body on all questions related to policy or dispute. If the FISU Executive Committee is to retire, it shall still hold office until the end of the FISU World University Games.



### 3.2.2 The FISU Executive Committee shall be responsible for:

- a. Supervising and ensuring the smooth running of the FISU World University Games;
- b. Interpreting the FISU Regulations;
- c. Settling any dispute which does not concern any other committee or jury;
- d. Examining and dealing with any complaints or protests of a non-technical nature;
- e. Taking sanctions against teams or individuals who violate the regulations of the FISU World University Games;
- f. Deciding on any other matters not covered in these regulations.

In this respect, the members of the FISU Executive Committee will be in charge of supervising the organisation of the protocol ceremonies and watching over the good conduct of the competitions included in the FISU World University Games sport programme. They will remain in close contact with the Organising Committee and the FISU Games ITC.

### 3.2.3 Decisions will be made by a simple majority of those present at the meeting and voting. No absent member may delegate their mandates. In the event of a tied vote, the President shall have the deciding vote.

### 3.2.4 No member of the FISU Executive Committee may hold any other appointment or office during the FISU World University Games except as directed by the FISU Executive Committee.

### 3.2.5 The FISU Executive Committee shall meet as often as necessary to ensure the smooth running of the FISU World University Games.

### 3.2.6 The decisions taken at these meetings shall be circulated to all the members of the FISU Executive Committee, Committees, delegations and Organising Committees.

### 3.2.7 All decisions taken by the FISU Executive Committee are final.

## 3.3 FISU International Control Committee (CIC)

### 3.3.1 The FISU Executive Committee shall set up a CIC Sub-Committee for the FISU World University Games.

### 3.3.2 The CIC shall be responsible for controlling the eligibility of athletes and accreditation of delegations, officials and athletes at the FISU World University Games.

At the Individual Entry deadline, one month prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU Games, the CIC shall verify and validate the documents submitted by the delegations in the FISU Games Management System to justify, in particular:

- a. The authenticity of the national entries (cf. Art. 1.5);
- b. The academic status of the athletes (cf. Art. 5.3.2 and 5.3.3);
- c. The nationality and age of the athletes (cf. Art. 5.3.4).

The members of the CIC cannot assume any other tasks, either in the delegation of their country, or in the organisation of the FISU World University Games.

### 3.3.3 The CIC shall examine the dossiers of the athletes at a time prescribed by the FISU Executive Committee, and, if satisfied, shall proceed to the official electronic activation of the accreditation cards.

### 3.3.4 If an athlete, who has been refused the accreditation card, competes or attempts to compete by fraudulent means, they will be excluded from the current event and from all future FISU events. Should this fraud happen in a team event, the team will also be excluded from further participation in the current event. In both cases, all the results of the individual / team in the current event will be voided. A report will be forwarded to the appropriate NF and a reprimand will be addressed to the NUSF of the individual or the team.

### 3.3.5 If an official of a delegation deliberately misinforms the CIC about the eligibility of an athlete, the team of the concerned sport will be excluded from further participation in the current event, and the results of the concerned team will be disqualified; such fraud should be followed by the termination of that country's FISU membership.

3.3.6 To challenge the eligibility of an athlete from another country (cf. Art. 3.3.2 and Art 5.3.4), the Head of Delegation must make a written protest to the FISU Executive Committee. The CIC shall be authorised to investigate the eligibility of the participant concerned. Only the Head of Delegation, or their Deputy, shall be authorised to make such a protest.

3.3.7 The CIC may investigate at any time – prior, during and after the FISU World University Games – the academic status and eligibility of any athlete in the FISU World University Games.

### **3.4 FISU World University Games International Technical Committee (FISU Games ITC)**

3.4.1 The FISU Executive Committee shall set up the FISU World University Games International Technical Committee (FISU Games ITC) which shall consist of:

- a. Experts nominated for each sport included in the programme of the FISU World University Games: the Technical Committee Chair (TCC) and, possibly, one substitute Technical Committee Chair;
- b. The Chairperson of the International Medical Committee or their representative.

3.4.2 The FISU Games ITC shall be responsible for:

- a. Cooperating with the FISU staff and CGS;
- b. Drawing up the FISU Sport Regulations for the FISU World University Games;
- c. Advising the FISU Executive Committee concerning any general problem of a technical nature;
- d. Supervising the technical aspects of the sports events of the FISU World University Games;
- e. Working closely with the CMI for each FISU World University Games;
- f. Ratifying the daily competition schedule with the Organising Committee after the second FISU Games ITC inspection visit;
- g. Meeting before, at the end and whenever necessary during the FISU World University Games to ensure the successful conduct of the sport events;
- h. Taking all the necessary measures to ensure the smooth technical running of the sport events as well as the nomination of the jury or the ITO sub-Committee, as required by the rules of the IF.

### **3.5 FISU Technical Committee**

3.5.1 There shall be a Technical Committee for each sport in the programme of the FISU World University Games, which shall consist of:

- a. At least one FISU Technical Committee Chair (TCC) who shall be a member of the FISU Games ITC for the sport concerned;
- b. One representative of the Organising Committee for the sport concerned;
- c. The Technical Delegate of the appropriate NF of the organising country;
- d. The Technical Delegate of the appropriate IF;
- e. Additional experts who may be appointed to assist the Technical Committee as appropriate.

No more than two members of the Technical Committee should be of the same nationality, not including the FISU Technical Committee Chair.

During the days prior to the start of the sports events for which they are responsible, the FISU Technical Committee Chairs shall convene the following meetings:

- a. The meeting of the Technical Committee, which the staff members of the Organising Committee for the sport concerned may also attend as observers;
- b. The first General Technical Meeting, to which the members of the Technical Committee and a representative from each delegation competing in the sport concerned shall be invited.

The first meeting of the Technical Committee shall:

- a. Prepare the first General Technical Meeting;
- b. Define the criteria to set up a jury of appeal (if appropriate according to the rules and regulations of the IF);
- c. Decide on the appointment system for Technical Officials (TOs);
- d. Approve the detailed programme for their sport;
- e. Propose the nomination of additional experts to assist the Technical Committee as appropriate.

The first General Technical Meeting shall:

- a. Approve the daily timetable for their sports;
- b. Appoint a jury of appeal (if appropriate), according to the rules of the IF of the sport concerned;
- c. Take, if necessary, the emergency measures in order to ensure the smooth technical running of the events;
- d. Confirm the official list of the athletes who will take part in the competitions. The Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm the attendance of their delegations' athletes for the sport concerned by signing the said list and, if required, by filling in an entry form. No changes shall be made to the list after the General Technical Meeting. Exceptions shall only be permitted if stated in the concerned FISU Sports Regulations.

The athletes that are not approved by the CIC will not be authorised to take part in the competition.

3.5.2 Before the end of the FISU World University Games the members of the Technical Committee (cf. Art. 3.5.1) shall make recommendations for the future organisation of their sport events.

3.5.3 The FISU Technical Committee Chair, prior to the start of the sport for which they are responsible for in the FISU World University Games, is obliged to:

- a. Maintain close cooperation with the FISU General Secretariat and with the representative of the Organising Committee in the Technical Committee;
- b. Ensure that the regulations of the IF concerned are observed;
- c. Inspect the sport facilities and the equipment to be used during the competitions;
- d. Gather exact information concerning:
  - the number and the level of performance of participating athletes or teams;
  - the number and qualification of International Technical Officials;
  - the draw system.
- e. Prepare the Technical Committee meeting (cf. Art. 3.5.1). In agreement with the members of the Technical Committee, they shall prepare the proposals for:
  - the appointment of a jury of appeal, if appropriate according to the regulations of the IF;
  - the nomination of additional experts to become members of the Technical Committee, if appropriate;
  - the appointment system for technical officials for each competition.

### **3.6 FISU International Medical Committee (CMI)**

3.6.1 The FISU Executive Committee shall set up an International Medical Committee (CMI) for the FISU World University Games, which shall consist of the FISU Medical Committee plus certain members of the Medical and Doping functions of the OC appointed by the Chairperson of the FISU International Medical Committee.

3.6.2 The CMI shall be responsible for the supervision of the following tasks:

- Medical care to FISU World University Games participants;
- Doping control;
- Hygiene related to catering;
- Epidemiological safety of all accredited FISU World University Games participants.

## **4. RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE**

### **4.1 Generalities**

4.1.1 The FISU Member Association of the organising country may delegate its duties to an Organising Committee which must work in conjunction with this Member Association. The President of the NUSF or their representative will be a member of the Organising Committee and be a member of the decision-making Executive Board or similar committee.

Nevertheless, the Member Association shall be directly responsible to FISU and report to the FISU Executive Committee.



- 4.1.2 The Organising Committee entrusted with the arrangements of the FISU World University Games is responsible for and must make all the necessary arrangements for the FISU World University Games, always subject to the approval of FISU.
- 4.1.3 The Organising Committee must ensure that all countries are kept fully informed of all the necessary technical and other arrangements, and that the FISU GMS is made available to the delegations in due time so that the participating countries can complete and submit the entries within the deadlines.
- 4.1.4 The Organising Committee must make the necessary commitments with the appropriate authorities to guarantee the safety of all FISU World University Games participants in all activities associated with the holding of the FISU World University Games.
- 4.1.5 The Organising Committee must have medical insurance or other guarantees of their ability to provide free emergency medical care (diagnosis/treatment and local transportation) to all accredited participants during the validity period of the accreditation card.

## **4.2 Obligations towards FISU World University Games Participants - athletes & delegation officials**

According to the participation fees (per person and per day) approved by the FISU Executive Committee (EUR 85) during the validity period of the accreditation card, the Organising Committee shall provide, and is responsible for, the following obligations for accredited athletes and officials:

- a. Suitable accommodation and subsistence, approved by FISU, for accredited athletes and delegation officials;
- b. An efficient transportation system connecting the FISU World University Games Venues, including arrival and departure services, transportation services to competitions, trainings, ceremonies and any other official events, as well as designated vehicles for the FISU World University Games;
- c. The sites and facilities, material and equipment, officially recognised by the appropriate IF, necessary for the smooth running of the event - to be ready from three days prior to the beginning of the competition of the concerned sport until the end of the competition;
- d. At least one attaché/interpreter for each delegation who will be at the disposal of that delegation throughout the FISU World University Games, as indicated in the Minimum Requirements for the FISU World University Games;
- e. International Technical Officials (ITOs), National Technical Officials (NTOs), and technical sub-committees necessary for the perfect running of the competitions. The TOs according to the concerned FISU Sport Regulations;
- f. An adequate and efficient information system to keep the FISU World University Games participants duly informed on the programme and the results of the events, in accordance with the FISU Technology Guidelines and the Minimum Requirements for the FISU World University Games;
- g. Accredited FISU World University Games Participants with free emergency medical services (diagnosis/treatment and local transportation) for all injuries and illnesses related to the FISU World University Games (cf. Art. 8);
- h. Organise the Heads of Delegation meetings in accordance with the FISU World University Games Heads of Delegation Meeting Guidelines;
- i. Doping control in accordance with the procedure laid down in the FISU Anti-Doping Rules;
- j. An adequate telecommunication system in accordance with the FISU Technology Guidelines.

### 4.3 Publications

The Organising Committee must publish and distribute a variety of publications and other communications to the invited countries, the FISU Family and other FISU World University Games participants, as requested in the Minimum Requirements for the FISU World University Games and the FISU World University Games Publication Guidelines.

PUBLICATION / COMMUNICATION	DEADLINE
Brochure: Official Licensed Products	12 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Brochure: FISU World Conference v1	11 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Competition Schedule	10 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Regulations for the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games	10 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Flyer: Games App	6 months prior the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Rate Card Catalogue	6 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Technical Handbooks (First Version)	6 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
HoD Manual (First Version)	5 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Delegation Accommodation & Services Guide (First Version)	4 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Doping Control Guide	4 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
FISU World Conference Guide	4 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Media and Broadcast Guide (First Version)	4 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Medical Services Guide	4 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Venue Information Guide	4 months prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Delegation Accommodation & Services Guide (Final Version)	1 month prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
HoD Manual (Final Version)	1 month prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Media and Broadcast Guide (Final Version)	1 month prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Brochure: FISU World Conference v2	6 weeks prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Technical Handbooks (Final Version)	2 weeks prior to the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Daily Sport Bulletin	Daily during the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games
Daily FISU Games Newsletter	Games-time
Results Book	1 month after the FISU Games

## 5. RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARTICIPATING DELEGATIONS

### 5.1 General Information

The Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games have a decentralised accommodation concept instead of a FISU Games Village. Therefore, delegations will be accommodated in different hotels, spread around the host cities. Accommodations for Athletes and Officials will be determined based on sports and on proximity to the competition venues.

## 5.2 Invitations

5.2.1 Invitations to take part in the FISU World University Games will be dispatched by the Organising Committee 12 months before the Opening Ceremony of the FISU World University Games, in accordance with the list of countries provided by the FISU General Secretariat.

5.2.2 Invitations to countries (cf. Art. 1.5) will be addressed to:

- The NUSF;
- If no such NUSF exists, to the National Olympic Committee or to similar national organisation which groups together the students of the country, subject to the approval of FISU.

## 5.3 Participation

5.3.1 Only delegations with athletes will be approved as official delegations participating in the FISU World University Games.

5.3.2 Only the following may participate as athletes in the FISU World University Games:

- a. Students who are currently officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at the university or similar institute, the status of which is recognised by the appropriate national academic authority of their country;
- b. Former students of the institutions mentioned in a) who have obtained their academic degree or diploma in the calendar year preceding the event.

5.3.3 Notwithstanding Article 5.2.2, in countries with fewer than 2,000,000 inhabitants or having fewer than 5,000 university students, students attending technical or secondary schools may participate in FISU events provided they have been attending their establishments for at least two years.

5.3.4 Nationality and age restriction

All athletes must satisfy the following conditions:

- be a national of the country they represent;
- be at least 18 and no older than 25 years of age on 31 December of the year of the event (i.e. born between 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2007). For 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball the age limit will be exceptionally extended allowing athletes at least 18 and no older than 28 years of age on 31 December of the year of the event (i.e. born between 1 January 1997 and 31 December 2007) to take part in it.

Athletes participating in FISU sport events must represent the same country as in their respective International Federation events. Changes of sport nationality must follow respective IF rules.

5.3.5 Suspensions

No athletes or officials under a current suspension from FISU, IF or the national federation of their country may take part in the FISU World University Games.

Athletes and/or teams of a sport suspended by the IF, shall not be eligible to participate in the FISU Games during the term of the suspension. Exceptions shall only be permitted after review and approval of the FISU EC.

The athlete and the delegation registering an athlete for a FISU Event are at all times fully responsible for the athletes' eligibility with all the disciplinary consequences for the NUSF (or for non-Member Associations the representing authority) and the athlete (cf. Art 3.3.4, 3.3.5).

5.3.6 Athletes' arrival

All athletes must activate their accreditation card at least 48 hours before their first competition. Athletes arriving late might not be accredited on time for the General Technical Meeting/Draw of their competition and therefore might not be allowed to compete following the rules of the concerned sports.

### 5.3.7 Officials

The maximum number of officials in a delegation participating in the FISU World University Games shall be:

1-3 athletes	›	2 officials
4-10	›	5
11-20	›	9
21-30	›	13
31-40	›	17
41-50	›	21
51-60	›	25
61-70	›	29
71-80	›	33
81-90	›	37
91-100	›	41
101 and more	›	add 5 officials per 10 athletes

If, at the deadline for Quantitative Entries, the total number of registered delegation members exceeds 8,500, it is at the discretion of the Organising Committee and FISU, in agreement with each other, to adjust the above quota (cf. Art. 5.4.4).

Media liaisons shall not be included in the number of officials.

### 5.3.8 Extra Officials

If a delegation wants to enter more accredited officials than allowed, extra officials shall be registered through the FISU Games Management System at the time of the Quantitative Entry (at the latest three months prior to the FISU Games) and are subject to FISU approval.

For the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU Games, the special rate of participation fee for these extra officials has been fixed as EUR 40 per day per person, which covers the following services during validity period of the accreditation card (cf. Art. 4.2):

- An efficient transportation system connecting the official FISU World University Games venues, including arrival and departure services, transportation services to competitions, trainings, ceremonies and any other official events, in accordance with the accreditation category;
- Access to the FISU World University Games sites and facilities, in accordance with the accreditation category;
- An adequate and efficient information system to keep FISU World University Games participants duly informed on the programme and the results of the events, in accordance with the FISU Technology Minimum Requirements and the Minimum Requirements for the FISU World University Games;
- Free emergency medical care (diagnosis/treatment and local transportation) of all injuries and illnesses related to the FISU World University Games (cf. Art. 8).

The extra officials are responsible for their own accommodation arrangements. The OC shall propose some hotels where extra officials could be accommodated in agreement with FISU. Extra officials shall also manage their own food and beverage provision.

### 5.3.9 Head of Delegation

Delegations shall designate a Head of Delegation who alone shall be entitled to represent their delegation, unless otherwise provided for in the rules, in negotiations with the FISU committees or sub-committees or those of the Organising Committee.

1-50 athletes	›	1 HoD
51-100 athletes	›	1 HoD + 1 Assistant HoD
101-150 athletes	›	1 HoD + 2 Assistant HoD
151 and more	›	add 1 Assistant HoD per 50 athletes



### 5.3.10 Media Liaisons

Delegations participating in the FISU World University Games are entitled to nominate media liaisons as follows:

1-100 athletes	›	1 media liaison
101-200 athletes	›	2 media liaisons
201 and more	›	add 1 media liaison per 100 athletes

Delegations participating with at least one team in a team sport can register one additional media liaison per team sport. If the delegation is fielding a men's and women's team in the same team sport, they can register one additional media liaison only. If the delegation has teams participating in two different team sports, they can register two additional media liaisons.

Media liaisons shall not be included in the number of officials (cf. Art. 5.3.7).

Media representatives working specifically for a media outlet, and not the delegation itself, cannot be registered as Media Liaisons and must register as international media representatives in the FISU GMS.

Please consult article 7.1 for information regarding the roles and responsibilities of the Media Liaisons.

### 5.3.11 Technical Officials

Organising Committees and participating delegations shall follow the FISU Sport Regulations concerning the provision and costs of technical officials. Delegations shall also refer to the conditions related to the Contribution Fee for the ITO's costs laid down under Art. 5.5.9.

All the ITOs are nominated by the respective IF in collaboration with the FISU Technical Committee Chair.

ITOs are not considered as members of the delegation.

Detailed duties and obligations regarding ITOs are determined in the ITO Policy.

- 5.3.12 By participating or otherwise appearing in a FISU event, each athlete, participant, official and officer agrees to be filmed, televised, photographed, identified and otherwise recorded, under the conditions and for the purposes authorised by FISU either currently or in the future and in relation to the promotion of the sporting, cultural and educational activities organised under the aegis of FISU or under its endorsement.

## 5.4 Entries

- 5.4.1 Entries will be accepted only from those organisations which have been invited to participate (cf. Art. 5.2). Each NUSF shall ensure that NFs of the concerned sports are aware of the FISU event regulations and the registration procedures. It is the responsibility of the NUSF to inform respective NFs of the athletes registered for the FISU World University Games. Participation objections or issues must be resolved prior to the set registration deadline and are the sole responsibility of the NUSF and the NF.
- 5.4.2 Countries must ensure that all their entries reach the Organising Committee by the deadline and in the form prescribed by the Organising Committee and the FISU Regulations.
- Entry forms that are not duly and accurately completed will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure (cf. Art. 5.4.9).
- 5.4.3 Individual Entry forms of athletes from a non-Member Association must be countersigned by the NF or by the NOC. The NF of the concerned sport or the NOC has to submit an official request to the FISU General Secretariat. Upon approval, FISU will provide them an access to the FISU GMS.
- 5.4.4 The total number of allowed delegation members is limited to 8,500 people. If, at the deadline for Quantitative Entry, the total number of delegation members exceeds this limit, it is at the discretion of the Organising Committee and FISU to adjust the quota for allowed officials (cf. Art 5.3.7).

5.4.5 Entry forms must be completed through the FISU GMS, according to the procedure laid down by FISU and the Organising Committee. The following deadlines and conditions shall be respected:

ENTRY STEP	ENTRY OPENING*	ENTRY DEADLINE*	DESCRIPTION	ENTRY/FINANCIAL CONDITIONS
INTENTION OF PARTICIPATION	-12 months 16.07.2024	-10 months 16.09.2024	Submission of the intention of the NUSF to participate at the FISU Games. The NUSF must submit the contact details of the NUSF and contact information of the representative of their delegation responsible for the accreditation and entries.	
GENERAL ENTRY – INDIVIDUAL SPORTS (ENGAGEMENT OF PARTICIPATION)	-10 months 17.09.2024	-7 months 16.12.2024	Submission of the preliminary information on the number of athletes and sport officials for each individual sport as well as total number of administration officials, medical staff and media liaison planned to participate at the FISU Games.	
GENERAL ENTRY - TEAM SPORTS/EVENTS	-10 months 17.09.2024	-7 months 16.12.2024	Submission of the final engagement for team sports.	Entry to be confirmed with the payment of the deposit for team sports/events latest by 2 January 2025, (cf. Art. 5.5.4).
QUANTITATIVE ENTRY (CONFIRMATION OF PARTICIPATION)	-7 months 17.12.2024	-3 months 16.04.2025	Submission of final participation numbers of athletes by gender, by sport and by event, and officials by function (administrative officials, sport officials, medical staff, media liaison, extra officials). If, at the deadline for Quantitative Entry, the total number of delegation members exceeds the participation cap (cf. Art. 5.4.4), it is at the discretion of the OC and FISU to adjust the quota for allowed officials (cf. Art. 5.3.7)	Entry to be confirmed with the payment of the deposit for individual sports latest by 16 May 2025 (2 months before the opening ceremony of the FISU Games) (cf. Art. 5.5.5).
INDIVIDUAL ENTRY	-3 months 17.04.2025	-1 month 16.06.2025	Individual entry is the final stage of registration via the FISU Games Management system, it includes the submission of personal data details of each participant, sport entries data (for athletes only) and travel data for all participants.	Changes in the number of participants per delegation after the Quantitative Entry are limited (cf. Art. 5.4.6-9 & 5.5).

\* Deadline refers to the number of months prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU Games.

#### 5.4.6 Changes from Quantitative Entry to Individual Entry

The Quantitative Entry numbers are considered as final.

The same overall number of athletes and officials shall be submitted in the Individual Entry, changes are only allowed within a quota of 10% of the delegation size at the Quantitative Entry. If, at the deadline for Quantitative Entry, the increase in the total number of delegation members exceeds the participation cap of 8,500 people (cf. Art. 5.4.4), even if the increase falls within the allowed quota of 10%, it will be subject to OC and FISU approval.

When submitting the Individual Entry, for any cancellation exceeding 10% of the delegation size at the Quantitative Entry, the OC has the right to retain, from the preliminary invoice paid, the following fee EUR 425/person – (corresponding to the participation fee for 5 days).

If a delegation cancels its whole participation after the Quantitative Entry deadline, the deposit for individual sports and the deposit for team sports/events will not be reimbursed and shall cover the costs undertaken by the Organising Committee (cf. Art. 5.5).

5.4.7 Athletes participating in more than one sport shall register in all concerned sports in the FISU GMS Individual Entry (no later than one month prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU Games), no additional entries in other sports are allowed after the Individual Entry deadline.

5.4.8 After the Individual Entry deadline, no changes in terms of delegation sizes are allowed unless for force majeure (to be proven by the delegation). In case of any cancellation not due to force majeure, the OC has the right to retain the following fee EUR 425/person (corresponding deposit paid - participation fee for 5 nights).

Replacements are only allowed in accordance with the late replacement policy (cf. Art. 5.4.10).

#### 5.4.9 Late Entries

Late entries will only be accepted in exceptional circumstances and with the approval of the OC and FISU.

#### 5.4.10 Participants replacements

In the event that a participant gets injured or becomes ill, the late replacement policy applies.

After the Individual Entry deadline, replacement of participating athletes and officials is only allowed within the same sports and gender (athletes) or within the same functions (officials) keeping the same number of participants submitted in the Individual Entry.

#### 5.4.11 No-shows

Any athletes confirmed at the General Technical Meeting who fails to appear for a competition shall be recorded as "no-show" (following the regulations of the IF) and be:

- a. Disqualified for any other event in the competition;
- b. Referred to the FISU Disciplinary Committee for consideration of further action.

An athlete who is defaulted for no-show may be permitted to compete in subsequent events at the discretion of the Technical Committee of the sport concerned. Permission will only be agreed for exceptional circumstances.

The Head of Delegation or their representative must make contact with the Technical Committee of the respective sport within one hour after the start of the scheduled event time on the day of "no-show" in order to be permitted to compete in other events.

## 5.5 Financial conditions

### 5.5.1 Delegations' financial conditions overview

DEADLINE*	PAYMENT	AMOUNT	APPLIED TO	PAID TO	REF.
02.01.2025 (-6,5 months)	Deposit for team sports/events	EUR 5,000	Per registered team in: Basketball, Volleyball and Water Polo.	FISU	Art. 5.5.4
		EUR 2,000	Per registered team in: 3x3 Basketball, 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball, Beach Volleyball, Badminton Mixed Team, Table Tennis Men and Table Tennis Women Team tournaments.		
16.05.2025 (-2 months)	Deposit for individual sports	EUR 425 (= participation fee for 5 days)	Per athlete, official and extra official registered in individual sports.	OC	Art. 5.5.5
From 02.07.2025 until latest upon arrival	Remaining Participation Fee	EUR 85/day (deducting the deposit for individual sports and team sports already paid)	Per athlete and official (excluding extra officials).	OC	Art. 5.5.6
	Fee for changes between Q- and I-Entry above the allowed quota	EUR 425 (= participation fee for 5 days)	Per athletes and official decreased/increased with respect to the allowed numbers.	OC	Art. 5.4.6, 5.4.7, 5.5.6
	Extra officials Fee	EUR 40/day (deducting the deposit already paid for individual sports)	Per extra official approved by FISU.	OC	Art. 5.3.8
		EUR 150	Per athlete in Fencing, Judo, Taekwondo.	OC	Art. 5.4.7
		EUR 300	Per athlete in Rhythmic Gymnastics.		
		EUR 350	Per athlete in Artistic Gymnastics.		
		EUR 400	Per team in Beach Volleyball		
		EUR 450	Per athlete in Diving.		
		EUR 2,200	Per team in Basketball, Volleyball, Water Polo.		
+2 months	FISU registration fee	EUR 20	Per athlete and official from active Member Associations.	FISU	Art. 5.5.11
		EUR 40	Per athlete and official from other associations.		

\*Deadlines refer to the number of months before/after the opening ceremony of the FISU Games.



5.5.2 Settlements in relation to rights and obligations of the participating delegations shall be solely denominated in Euros. Amounts due must be paid in full, i.e. when executing payments to FISU and/or OC, delegations must account for local or international bank fees that are at the charge of the delegations.

Similarly, settlements made by the OC or FISU (e.g. deposit reimbursement) shall be executed in full amount, by taking charge of local or international bank fees, so that delegations receive in full amounts due.

All payments executed by FISU or received by FISU shall be in euros.

All payments received by the OC should be executed by card transfer or online payment. Cash Payments are only accepted upon arrival in euros.

#### 5.5.3 Payment methods

All delegations are requested to pay all fees to the OC online (bank transfer) in accordance with the payment procedures outlined under Art. 5.5.1.

Delegations subject to a financial embargo have the option to pay in cash or by card upon arrival. Affected delegations must inform the Organising Committee of any on-site payments no later than 10 July 2025.

Payment in euros is a mandatory requirement (cf. Art. 5.5.2).

#### 5.5.4 Deposit for team sports/events

At the latest seven months before the FISU World University Games (16 December 2024), delegations entering in a team sport/event must submit the Team Sports General entry form in the FISU GMS in accordance with the FISU Team Sports / Events Information. Countries must confirm this entry with the payment of the following deposit per team to guarantee the participation of their team:

TEAM SPORT / TEAM EVENT	DEPOSIT
Basketball, Volleyball and Water Polo	EUR 5,000
3x3 Basketball, 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball, Beach Volleyball, Badminton Mixed Team event and Table Tennis team events (Men & Women)	EUR 2,000

The payment is to be due no later than 2 January 2025, unless otherwise determined by FISU.

The deposit, which guarantees entry into the selection process, shall be received by and credited to FISU. If a team is not selected, their deposit will be reimbursed.

Should a delegation be selected and compete, its deposit shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

In case of withdrawal after the team deposit payment delegations shall refer to the FISU Sports Regulations of the concerned sport.

#### 5.5.5 Deposit for individual sports

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games (16 May 2025), all countries participating in individual sports must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry (including individual sports athletes and sport officials, as well as administration officials, medical staff, media liaison and extra officials). The fee shall correspond to the participation fee for 5 nights, unless otherwise determined by the FISU Executive Committee.

The deposit for individual sports shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

If a delegation cancels its participation after the Q-Entry, the individual sports deposit will not be reimbursed and shall cover the costs undertaken by the Organising Committee (cf. Art. 5.4.6).

### 5.5.6 Participation fees

Participating countries shall pay to the OC the dues for the participation fees, EUR 85 approved by the FISU Executive Committee per day and per athletes and officials, and EUR 40 per day per extra officials (cf. Art. 4.2 & 5.3.8). The calculation basis for the total amount of the participation fees refers to the actual duration of stay of each participant.

For any cancellation in the participating numbers between the Q-Entry and the I-Entry exceeding the allowed quota (cf. Art. 5.4.6), the OC has the right to retain the following fee of EUR 425/person – (corresponding to the participation fee for 5 days).

### 5.5.7 Final Invoice

The final invoice to the delegations is issued immediately after the Individual Entry and is based on the Individual Entry figures and includes the following payments:

- Remaining participation fee (deducting the team sports and individual sports deposits already paid)
- Fee for changes between Q- and I-Entry above the allowed quota
- Extra officials fee
- Contribution fee for the ITOs' costs

The final invoice will be issued after the Individual Entry deadline (16 June 2025) and the payment period begins at the latest 2 July 2025 and ends latest upon arrival. All payments will need to be performed online within the GMS tool via Bank transfer to the current account of the OC by latest 11 July 2025. Just in exceptional cases cash payments or card transfers (Article 5.5.2 & 5.5.3.) are accepted upon arrival.

### 5.5.8 Late Entries

Late entries will only be accepted in exceptional circumstances and with the approval of the OC and FISU. In the event that a participant gets injured or becomes ill, the late replacement policy applies (cf. Art. 5.4.9).

### 5.5.9 Contribution fee for the ITOs' costs

For some of the sports in the FISU Games programme (listed in the table below), the OC is entitled to collect from the participating delegations, a fixed contribution fee for the ITOs' costs. The specific requirements and terms are set out in the concerned FISU Sport Regulations.

The fixed contribution fee for the ITOs' costs per athlete/team participating in the concerned sport are indicated in the following table:

SPORT	CONTRIBUTION FEE FOR THE ITO'S COSTS
Artistic gymnastics	EUR 350 per athlete
Basketball	EUR 2,200 per team
Beach volleyball	EUR 400 per team
Diving	EUR 450 per athlete
Fencing	EUR 150 per athlete
Judo	EUR 150 per athlete
Rhythmic gymnastics	EUR 300 per athlete
Taekwondo	EUR 150 per athlete
Volleyball	EUR 2,200 per team
Water polo	EUR 2,200 per team

The contribution fee for the ITOs' costs must be paid by the Head of Delegation or their representative during the entry process with the preliminary invoice.

If a delegation does not pay the requested contribution fee for the ITOs' costs at the latest at the time of accreditation, the delegation will not receive the accreditation cards and will not be allowed to compete in the sport concerned.

#### 5.5.10 Travel cost

The delegations shall be responsible for their own cost of travel to and from the official point of arrival designated for the FISU World University Games (Düsseldorf Airport). The official port of entry for delegation members in Diving, Swimming and Volleyball is Berlin. The point of arrival and departure is Berlin Airport. There will be no arrival/ departure transfer organised from the Organising Committee between Düsseldorf Airport and Berlin.

#### 5.5.11 FISU registration fees

FISU shall receive from each participating delegation the following FISU registration fees:

- Active Member Associations of FISU: EUR 20 per athlete and official;
- Other associations: EUR 40 per athlete and official.

The FISU registration fee CIC invoice (based on CIC registration confirmation) with the total cost of the participants will be sent by FISU to the NUSF by e-mail within two months following the end of the FISU World University Games.

### 5.6 Accreditation cards

5.6.1 An accreditation card with a recent photograph will be issued to each athlete whose dossier has been approved by the CIC, once all the finance dues have been paid by the concerned delegations to the OC and FISU (cf. Art. 3.3.3). Accreditation cards will also be issued to all accredited delegation officials. The accreditation card will be fully activated after individual's original passport (written in English) has been presented to the CIC upon arrival.

5.6.2 Athletes will be required to keep their accreditation card with them at all times and be prepared to present it for inspection by CIC members or any other persons authorised by FISU.

5.6.3 Accreditation cards will give the holders access to sports venues, official accommodation and to any other facilities or services agreed between the Organising Committee and FISU.

### 5.7 Insurance

5.7.1 Participating delegations must have the following insurance conditions to cover travel and participation, (including secondary, non –emergency medical treatment), as they are neither the responsibility of the Organising Committee nor FISU.

INSURANCE	DESCRIPTION OF COVERS	LIMIT IN EUR PER INSURED *	TERRITORIALITY
Medical expenses only following one accident/sickness during an insured competition	Medical expenses Reimbursement, advanced payment or meeting the actual cost in addition to and/or subsidiarily to the Sickness Insurance Primary Fund/Social Security and any other additional plan whether public or private.	max. 125,000.00	In the country(ies) of the event.
Medical Assistances	Search and Rescue costs	max. 50,000.00	
	Medical transport - Medical evacuation - Medical repatriation	Unlimited	In the country (ies) of the event and to the home country of the victim(s).
	Assistance death - Repatriation of corpse in event of death	12,500.00	

INSURANCE	DESCRIPTION OF COVERS	LIMIT IN EUR PER INSURED *	TERRITORIALITY
	- Assistance with formalities following a death - Cost of coffin		
	Return of person accompanying the insured.	7,500.00	
	Visit of members of immediate family.	max. 5,000.00	In the country(ies) of the event.
	Sending medicines unavailable in situ.	Cost of mailing	
Lump-sum accidental death benefit and accidental permanent disablement only following one accident during an insured competition including accidental cardiac arrest and stroke	Lump sum Accidental death benefit.	max. 50,000.00	In the country(ies) of the event.
	Accidental permanent disablement in the event of disablement in excess of 55%. The indemnity paid will be 100% of the sum insured.	max. 50,000.00	

\* Limits per insured may vary based on the local market of the host country(ies) and will be modified by FISU for each event.

5.7.2 Participating countries shall certify their insurance coverage through the FISU GMS at the time of the Quantitative Entry (at the latest three months prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU Games). If a delegation is unable to take out compulsory insurance in compliance with the table above, FISU will make to the delegation an insurance proposal. The insurance shall be at the delegations' costs.

5.7.3 FISU shall not be responsible for any claim for loss, injury or damage arising from holding the FISU World University Games.

## 5.8 Protests

5.8.1 Any protest of a sports or disciplinary nature must reach the Jury or other competent authority, according to the regulations laid down by the appropriate IF.

Such protest must be accompanied by a deposit, the amount of which is set in line with the IF regulations, if not otherwise specified in the regulations of the concerned sport (cf. FISU Sport Regulations).

5.8.2 Each Head of Delegation or their deputy is authorised to lodge an appeal against the decision of the Jury. This appeal must be submitted in writing to the Jury of Appeal or competent authority in accordance with the regulations of the appropriate IF.

5.8.3 Any decision of the Jury of Appeal or equivalent authority of a sport is final and must be reported immediately to the Head of Delegation of the country concerned.

Any sport disciplinary situation, which cannot be satisfactorily resolved by the sport technical committees and the sport-specific disciplinary regulations, will be reported to the FISU Disciplinary Committee for further action to be taken.

Where appropriate, a report will also be sent to the IF concerned.

5.8.4 During the FISU World University Games, protests of a non-technical nature as allowed in Article 3.2.2 d) shall be presented to the FISU President or Secretary General/CEO, by the Head of Delegation or their deputy in writing no later than six hours after the incident, and no protest received after this time shall be considered. Each protest shall be accompanied by a deposit of EUR 50, which shall be returned only if the protest is considered justified.



## **6. CEREMONIES & PROTOCOL**

### **6.1 Ceremonies**

Each delegation must take part in the official ceremonies (opening ceremony, closing ceremony, delegation welcome ceremony, and any other ceremony which can be considered official). It is expected that at least half of the members of the delegations participate in these ceremonies. They will be informed by the Organising Committee about the time, location and procedure.

For all official ceremonies, announcements shall always be in English first followed by the host country language if desired.

#### **6.1.1 Opening and closing ceremonies**

All the participants joining the opening and closing ceremonies shall abide by the specific rules set for these occasions. The Head of Delegation is responsible to ensure that their own delegation members are duly informed and behave in accordance with these.

#### **6.1.2 Delegation welcome ceremonies**

It is expected that all the Heads of Delegation attending the delegation welcome ceremony, are coming to the event with a gift of their choice, to be officially exchanged with the representative of the Organising Committee on stage.

#### **6.1.3 Flower ceremonies**

Flower ceremonies will be organised when specified by the IF/FISU. Its procedure shall be determined by FISU and the OC.

#### **6.1.4 Medal ceremonies**

The Organising Committee will inform the delegations about the time and location of the medal ceremonies. The national flags of the first three awardees will be raised and the only anthem played will be the FISU anthem, the *Gaudeamus Igitur*.

The medals will be presented by the FISU President or their representative.

### **6.2 FISU Anthem**

The FISU anthem is the “*Gaudeamus Igitur*”. It is the only one played during the official ceremonies unless specified differently in the regulations of a ceremony. It will be played during all official ceremonies included in the event programme of the FISU World University Games:

- a. Opening ceremony;
- b. Closing ceremony;
- c. Medal ceremony;
- d. Delegation welcome ceremony;
- e. Team presentation;
- f. Any other ceremony which can be considered official.

### **6.3 Awards**

#### **6.3.1 Medals**

During the medal ceremonies, each competing athlete –individual sports, team events in individual sports and team sports – is entitled to receive a medal as follows:

- a. First place: a gold medal;
- b. Second place: a silver medal;
- c. Third place: a bronze medal.

Only athletes receive medals and take part in the medal ceremony.

In specific sports, where required by the IF rules, two bronze medals will be awarded in accordance with the rules of the appropriate IF.

If an athlete or team is disqualified, the medal shall be returned to FISU.

#### 6.3.2 Diplomas

Diplomas shall be awarded in accordance with the FISU Protocol Guidelines:

- a. Diploma of participation: to all delegation members;
- b. Diploma of honour:
  - for individual sports – to athletes ranked 1 to 8;
  - for team sports / team events: to teams ranked 1 to 8; to all athletes, plus one additional diploma for the team;
- c. Diploma of merit: for team sports, the officials of the medallist's teams, that are mentioned on the match sheet of their respective final game;
- d. Diploma of FISU record: to athletes having broken a FISU Record (the diploma is prepared and provided by FISU to the athlete after the event).

Additional diplomas may be awarded as listed in the Guidelines of the FISU Protocol. If an athlete or team is disqualified, the diploma shall be returned to FISU.

#### 6.3.3 Other awards

No other awards shall be given unless agreed with the FISU General Secretariat.

### 6.4 Flags

The Organising Committee shall provide all flags in accordance with the FISU Protocol Guidelines.

### 6.5 Seating for competitions

Sufficient seats will be available for all accredited clients in each sports venue in accordance with the Minimum Requirements for the FISU World University Games.

## 7. MEDIA SERVICES

### 7.1 Media Liaisons

It is highly recommended that each delegation appoints at least one person responsible for media relations, communications, and social media. The person appointed to cover these roles will be known and accredited as Media Liaison, being part of the delegation (Delegations client group) but having specific media related opportunities and responsibilities as listed below.

The NUSF is to provide contact details of the Media Liaison(s) to the FISU Media Team ([media@fisu.net](mailto:media@fisu.net)) and the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 Media Team ([media@rhineruhr2025.com](mailto:media@rhineruhr2025.com))

The responsibilities of the Media Liaisons are:

- Main point of contact for media on-site and abroad to connect with athletes of their delegation.
- If possible, translation from the Athlete's national language to English for interviews by media and in the Venue Mixed Zone.
- Content creation for the NUSF or delegation social media accounts (national audience).
- Promotion of the event and FISU.tv to the delegation's national social media audience, national media, and TV channels.
- Raise awareness with national TV broadcasters about the possibility to purchase the live feeds, and/or obtain free TV highlights and news from FISU ([media@fisu.net](mailto:media@fisu.net)).
- Whenever feasible and available, help FISU's media activities with the participation of athletes in press conferences and talk shows, when requested.

A special section of the Media & Broadcast Guide will be dedicated to Media Liaisons to clarify their role and access rights as well as to inform about all media facilities and information resources.

Any additional media staff, not being part of the NUSF media team, but hired from external professional media agencies, shall not be accredited as delegation member (cf. Art. 7.3).

More information regarding the number of Media Liaisons authorised per delegation can be found under Art. 5.3.10 Delegations shall also refer to the Heads of Delegation Manual for complementary information regarding the Media Liaison roles and restrictions.

## **7.2 Athletes' information**

Each delegation shall inform FISU Media Team (media@fisunet) and the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 Media Team (media@rhineruhr2025.com) of any high performing, famous, or promising athletes that will be participating in the FISU Games as soon as this information is known.

The NUSF shall support the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 Media Team as well as the FISU Media Team in collecting information and preparing biographies of participating athletes.

## **7.3 Media Representatives**

National and international Media and TV representatives shall apply for FISU Games accreditation at the latest six weeks before the FISU World University Games through the Media Accreditation portal of the FISU GMS. The portal will open on 20 February 2025 and will close on 01 June 2025.

Media representatives working specifically for a national media outlet, and not exclusively for the delegation itself, must not register as Media Liaisons, but shall apply for a media accreditation.

The Organising Committee is responsible for approving the accreditations of the media representatives from the host country whereas FISU is responsible for approving the ones of foreign media representatives.

# **8. MEDICAL SERVICES & DOPING CONTROL**

- 8.1 The Organising Committee will provide accredited persons with free emergency medical services (diagnosis/treatment and local transportation) for all injuries and illnesses directly and indirectly related to the concerned FISU Event.

For the FISU World University Games, this obligation will last during the validity period of the accreditation cards.

For the secondary or non-emergency treatment, participants must have their own appropriate insurance (cf. Art. 5.7.1)

- 8.2 The Organising Committee will provide athletes with adequate medical services during competitions and official trainings according to the FISU requirements and the IF Regulations.
- 8.3 During the FISU Games, doping control will be carried out in accordance with the FISU Anti-Doping Rules, compliant with the most recent World Anti-Doping Code of WADA.

# **FISU WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES SPORT REGULATIONS**



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# FISU WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES SPORT REGULATIONS

## ARCHERY

### 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Archery events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the “World Archery Federation” (WA). In any dispute the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last five days and will include:

a. Individual events:

Men	Women
Recurve bow	Recurve bow
Compound bow	Compound bow

b. Team/Mixed Team events:

Men	Women
Recurve bow	Recurve bow
Compound bow	Compound bow
Mixed team Recurve bow	
Mixed team Compound bow	

- 1.3. Each delegation is authorised to enter a maximum of 12 athletes (maximum 6 men and 6 women) as follows:

a. Individual events:

- A maximum of 3 athletes in each bow category and gender (3 RW, 3 RM, 3 CW, 3 CM)

b. Team events:

- A maximum of 1 team in each bow category and gender (1 Team RW, 1 Team RM, 1 Team CW, 1 Team CM).
- A team is composed by 3 athletes from the same delegation, bow division and gender.

c. Mixed Team events:

- A maximum of 1 team in each bow category (1 Mixed Team Recurve and 1 Mixed Team Compound). A mixed team is composed by 2 athletes from the same bow division but different genders.

- 1.4. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be entitled to participate in any of the competitions.

- 1.5. All athletes must take part in the official practice scheduled the day prior to the start of the competition. Any athlete not present will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure or previous approval from Technical Committee Chair.

## **2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE**

### **2.1. Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.5)**

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Archery must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

## **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by WA and approved by the FISU Archery Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Archery.

### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 4 ITOs chosen among experienced international judges.

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

### **3.5. Financial obligations**

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the ITOs is to be borne by the Organising Committee.

# ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Artistic Gymnastics events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique (FIG). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last five days and include the following events for men and women:
  - a. Team Finals and Individual Qualifications
  - b. Individual All-Around Finals
  - c. Individual Apparatus Finals

The competitions will include only optional exercises in accordance with the most recent FIG Code of Points for the following events:

Men	Women
Floor Exercise	Vault
Pommel Horse	Uneven Bars
Rings	Balance Beam
Vault	Floor Exercise
Parallel Bars	
Horizontal Bar	

- 1.3. Each delegation is authorised to enter a maximum of 10 athletes (maximum 5 men and 5 women) as follows:
  - a. Team Finals and Individual Qualifications
    - Each participating delegation is authorised to enter in the team competition with 1 men's team and 1 women's team of 3 to 5 athletes.
    - On each apparatus no more than 4 athletes may compete for the team.
    - After the beginning of the competition, an injured athlete may be replaced on the remaining apparatus by other team members.
    - The team classification will be established by adding the three highest scores of each apparatus.
    - Delegations participating only with individuals (AA or apparatus) may enter a maximum of 2 athletes per gender.
    - The results obtained within the team competition shall also act as a qualification for the Individual All-Around Finals and Individual Apparatus Finals.
    - In case of a tie, the tie-break rule specified in the FIG technical regulation shall apply for the team classification and the qualification to the All-Around and the Apparatus finals.
  - b. Individual All-Around Finals
    - The top 18 men and the top 18 women in the Team Finals and Individual Qualifications will be entitled to compete in the Individual All-Around Finals. However, no more than 2 athletes from the same delegation can take part in the finals. Therefore, in case more than 2 athletes from the same delegation will be among the first 18 of their respective gender, only the 2 who obtained the best result in the Team Finals and Individual Qualifications shall perform.
    - The classification will be established by adding the scores obtained on each apparatus in the Individual All-Around Finals.
    - In case of a tie, the tie-break rule specified in the FIG technical regulation shall apply.

### c. Individual Apparatus Finals

- The top 8 men and the top 8 women in the Team Finals and Individual Qualifications on each specific apparatus will be entitled to compete in that Apparatus Finals. However, no more than 2 athletes from the same delegation can take part in the finals. Therefore, in case more than 2 athletes from the same delegation will be among the first 8 of their respective gender, only the 2 who obtained the best result on the respective apparatus in the Team Finals and Individual Qualifications shall perform.
- The classification by apparatus will be determined by the points obtained in the Individual Apparatus Finals.
- In case of a tie, the tie-break rule specified in the FIG technical regulation shall apply.

1.4. All athletes must have a valid FIG license. The license number must be properly indicated on the Individual Entry Form.

1.5. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be entitled to participate in any of the competitions.

## 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

### 2.1. Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.5)

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Artistic Gymnastics must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

### 2.2. Seeding

Individuals will compete in the first subdivision of the Team Finals and Individual Qualifications. Delegations with teams will be seeded in the later subdivisions of the Team Finals and Individual Qualifications based on team results at the previous FISU World University Games. A draw will be conducted to assign the respective subdivisions and apparatus to those delegations who have not taken part in the previous FISU World University Games.

### 2.3. Draw

The drawing of lots shall be held within two weeks after the deadline for the individual entries in accordance with the FIG Technical Regulations.

No entries will be accepted after the drawing of lots.

### 2.4. Inquiries

Inquiries made in Artistic Gymnastics will adhere to the policy of FIG.

### 3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

#### 3.1. Nomination

All international technical officials are nominated by FIG and approved by the FISU Artistic Gymnastics Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Artistic Gymnastics.

#### 3.2. Number of Technical Officials

There shall be 40 ITOs:

Men	Women
3 Apparatus Supervisors	2 Apparatus Supervisors
6 D-Judges	4 D-Judges
15 E-Judges	10 E-Judges

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

#### 3.3. Arrival and departure days

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

#### 3.4. Accommodation

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

#### 3.5. Financial obligations

Participating teams must pay a contribution fee for the ITOs' costs to the Organising Committee in order to cover the cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the international referees from FIG according to the pro-rata of teams registered.

The fixed contribution fee for the ITOs' costs is indicated in the General Regulations Article 5.5.9.



# ATHLETICS

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Athletics events will be organised in accordance with the most recent competition and technical rules of World Athletics. In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last seven days and include the following events:

a. Individual events:

Men	Women
100m	100m
200m	200m
400m	400m
800m	800m
1500m	1500m
5000m	5000m
10000m	10000m
20km walk	20km walk
Half marathon	Half marathon
110m hurdles	100m hurdles
400m hurdles	400m hurdles
3000m steeplechase	3000m steeplechase
High jump	High jump
Pole vault	Pole vault
Long jump	Long jump
Triple jump	Triple jump
Shot put	Shot put
Discus	Discus
Hammer	Hammer
Javelin	Javelin
Decathlon	Heptathlon

b. Relay events:

Men	Women
4 x 100m	4 x 100m
4 x 400m	4 x 400m

c. Mixed relay events:

Mixed
4 x 400m

A Team Classification will be established for men and women in the 20km walk and half marathon events.

1.3. Each delegation is authorised to enter in:

- a. An individual event: 2 athletes both of whom have achieved the entry standard for the event between 1 January 2024 and the closing date for the submission of Individual Entries or 1 athlete who has not achieved the entry standard;
- b. A relay event: 1 team of maximum 4 athletes
  - If a delegation entering a relay team has already entered 2 athletes or more in 100 / 200 m (in relation to 4x100m relay) or in 400m (in relation to 4x400m relay), the relay team can be filled in with a maximum of 2 relay specialists. For example: if 3 athletes are registered in 100/200m, only 2 additional athletes can be accepted for the relay.
  - If a delegation entering a relay team has entered 1 athlete or less in 100 / 200 m (in relation to 4x100m relay) or in 400m (in relation to 4x400m relay), the relay team may be filled up to a maximum of 4 athletes. For example: if 1 athlete is registered in 100/200m, 3 additional athletes can be accepted for the relay.
  - For the 4x400m mixed relay a team must be composed of 2 men and 2 women. If a delegation entering a 4x400m mixed relay team has already entered 2 athletes or more in men's and women's 400m, the mixed relay team can be filled with a maximum of 2 relay specialists.
- c. For 10.000m men and women, a maximum of 3 athletes, all of whom have achieved the entry standard of the event between 1 January 2024 and the closing date for the submission of Individual Entries or 2 athletes who have not achieved the entry standard.
- d. For the half-marathon and 20km walk for men and women
  - a maximum of 5 athletes, all of whom have achieved the entry standard of the event between 1 January 2024 and the closing date for the submission of Individual Entries or 3 athletes who have not achieved the entry standard.
  - Each delegation entering a race walk or half-marathon team shall take part with a minimum of 3 and maximum of 5 athletes. Delegations with less than 3 athletes finishing the race will not appear in the team classification ranking.
  - The times of the first 3 finishing athletes of each team shall be aggregated in order to determine the team classification, the team with the lowest aggregate time being the winner, and so on.
  - A tie shall be resolved in favour of the team whose last scoring athlete finishes nearest to the first place.
  - All athletes finishing shall be classified individually and shall be eligible for individual awards.
  - A team finishing with less than 3 athletes will not be classified in the team result.

1.4. One day prior to the General Technical Meeting and no later than 12:00, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of all athletes at the Sport Information Centre (SIC).

On the day of the General Technical Meeting, and no later than 12:00, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall submit the final confirmation of entries for the first day of competition at the SIC in the SIC.

The final confirmation of entries for the remainder of the competition days is at 9:00 on the day prior to the first round of the respective event at the SIC or the Technical Information Centre (TIC) located in the competition venue.

Any entry not duly confirmed will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be entitled to participate in any of the competitions.

Participating teams in Athletics must submit photos of their competition uniform on a USB stick one day prior to the General Technical Meeting and no later than 12:00 at the SIC.

1.5. The minimum qualification standards for track and field events are fixed by FISU and can be found below under Art. 2.3.

## 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

### 2.1. Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.5)

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Athletics must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

### 2.2. Qualification procedure

- a. Track Events: The rounds of competition will be arranged in accordance with the World Athletics Technical rule 20 (TR20) and the World Athletics Track Events rounds, heats and progression tables, according to the number of participants after the closing date for entries.

Track events which are less than 1500m will be composed of up to three rounds (first round, semi-final and final). The 1500m and 5000m event will be composed of up to two rounds (first round and final). The 10000m and the road events will be final only. Adjustments may be made based on the number of entries.

- b. Field Events: The qualifying standards for the finals will be determined by the Technical Committee for Athletics and announced at the General Technical Meeting.

Twelve athletes or over twelve who have all reached the qualifying standard will be allowed to enter the Final.

### 2.3. Entry standards

The entry standards for all events should be met between 1 January 2024 and the closing date for the submission of Individual Entries.

Event	Men	Women
<b>Track events (times in hh:mm:ss.ms)</b>		
100m	10.60	12.00
200m	21.85	25.10
400m	49.00	56.00
800m	1:51.00	2:10.00
1500m	3:50.00	4:31.00
5000m	14:45.00	17:30.00
10000m	30:00.00	35:00.00
20km walk	1:28:00	1:43:00
Half marathon	1:10:00	1:22:00
110/100m hurdles	14.00	13.45
400m hurdles	53.00	63.05
3000m steeplechase	9:00.00	11:00.00

Event	Men	Women
<b>Field events (measure in m.cm)</b>		
High jump	2.15	1.70
Pole vault	5.10	3.55
Long jump	7.30	5.95
Triple jump	15.00	12.80
Shot put	16.50	13.50
Discus	55.00	48.00
Hammer	60.00	59.00
Javelin	72.00	48.00
Heptathlon		N/A
Decathlon	N/A	

N/A: Not-Applicable for the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games

The most recent performances of the participants must be clearly indicated on the individual entry form.

### **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

#### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by World Athletics and approved by the FISU Athletics Technical Committee Chair and World Athletics.

These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Athletics.

#### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 20 ITOs:

- 11 ITOs;
- 1 Statistician;
- 6 Race Walking Judges;
- 1 International Starter;
- 1 International Photo Finish Judge.

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

#### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

#### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

#### **3.5. Financial obligations**

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the ITOs is to be borne by the Organising Committee.

# BADMINTON

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Badminton events will be organised in accordance with the most recent General Competition Regulations and Laws of Badminton of the Badminton World Federation (BWF). In any dispute the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last ten days and will include the following events:

a. Individual events:

Men	Women
Single	Single
Double	Double
Mixed doubles	

b. Mixed Team event:

Men	Women
24 teams' tournament	

- 1.3. Each delegation is authorised to enter a maximum of 12 athletes in total (maximum 6 men and 6 women) as follows:

a. Individual events:

- Men's Singles: a maximum of 3 athletes
- Women's Singles: a maximum of 3 athletes
- Men's Doubles: a maximum of 3 pairs
- Women's Doubles: a maximum of 3 pairs
- Mixed Doubles: a maximum of 3 pairs

No athlete can be registered in more than two individual events, e.g. one single event and one double event, or alternatively in two doubles events.

b. Mixed Team event:

A maximum of 1 team with a minimum of 2 men and 2 women and a maximum of 6 men and 6 women. A minimum of 3 men and 3 women is recommended in prevention for injuries.

Each tie is composed of:

- One Men's Singles
- One Women's Singles
- One Men's Doubles
- One Women's Doubles
- One Mixed Doubles

No athlete shall play in more than two matches of each tie.

In group play, all five matches of each tie shall be played.

In non-group play, each tie shall be stopped when the tie is decided.



- 1.4. There will be a first General Technical Meeting before the Mixed Team Event and a second before the Individual events. At the General Technical Meeting for each respective event, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the General Technical Meeting for the respective event will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be entitled to participate in any of the competitions.

## **2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE**

### **2.1. Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.4 and 5.5.5)**

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Badminton must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

Furthermore, in order to be entitled to enter the Mixed Team Event's selection process, delegations shall pay to FISU a deposit of EUR 2,000 per registered team.

The deposit must be paid at the latest six-and-a-half months (2 January 2025) prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, otherwise entries will not be taken into consideration (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.4).

### **2.2. Selection for the Mixed Team Event**

For the selection of teams, where the number of entries is larger than the authorised participation number, the following criteria will be applied:

- a. The entry/nomination and the payment of the team event deposit according to the deadlines;
- b. If willing to enter the tournament, the team of the host country is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;
- c. If willing to enter the tournament, the team of the next host country is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;
- d. The rest of the first two quarters of the concerned event shall be automatically filled by those teams who finished with the highest ranking in the most recent FISU event (FISU World University Games, or FISU World University Championship), if fulfilling the conditions stated in point a). Should a team not be willing to take part in the next event, the open spot shall be attributed according to the FISU ranking;
- e. The third quarter shall be filled by teams selected in accordance with the FISU Ranking;
- f. The last quarter shall be filled in accordance with the continental representation, with priority given to unranked teams, if any.

FISU will announce the selection of participating teams no later than six months prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games. Not selected teams for which the deposit has been paid will be included in the reserve list.

### 2.3. Withdrawal from the Mixed Team Event

Should a team be selected to compete in the Badminton Mixed Team Event, the following penalties shall apply in case of withdrawal:

- a. Declaration of non-participation before the Heads of Delegation Meeting shall receive no penalty;
- b. Declaration of non-participation after the Heads of Delegation Meeting has been held, and more than 60 days prior to the FISU Games, shall be sanctioned with the loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
- c. Declaration of non-participation after 60 but more than 21 days prior to the FISU Games shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - to be placed lowest in that continent for consideration at the subsequent FISU World University Games team selection for the Badminton Mixed Team Event;
- d. Declaration of non-participation during the 21 days prior to the FISU Games shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - exclusion from Badminton at the subsequent FISU World University Games;
- e. Withdrawal or non-appearance during the course of the FISU Games shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - a compulsory reimbursement to the Organising Committee and FISU of the expenses borne on behalf of the withdrawing delegation and team, plus damages for loss of income and financial consequences;
  - the exclusion from Badminton at the subsequent two FISU Games and the suspension from Badminton if organised as a FISU World University Championship for three (3) years;
- f. Repetition of e) will require further disciplinary action by the EC, as advised by the FISU Disciplinary Committee.

### 2.4. Seeding and draw for the Mixed Team Event

All teams will be seeded based on the FISU Ranking. The FISU Ranking is defined by FISU and takes into consideration the succeeding criteria:

- a. The most recent FISU event of the sport concerned, as recorded until four years prior to the upcoming event and the latest BWF World Team Ranking at the team sport entry deadline of the concerned FISU event; Furthermore, for teams participating for the first time in a FISU event, the BWF World Team Ranking can be considered to establish a proper seeding (only for seeds 5-8);
- b. If a) is not applicable, it is at the discretion of FISU to seed the remaining teams according to the most recent performance.

The draw for the preliminary stage shall be held during the first General Technical Meeting on the day before the start of the tournament. The draw for the final stage shall be done immediately after completion of the preliminary stage.

### 2.5. Seeding and draw for the Individual Events

The seeding for Individual Events will be based on the BWF ranking and the FISU team ranking. Exceptionally strong performance in the preceding Mixed Team Event may also be considered by the Referee in determining the seeding of individuals.

The draw for the individual events shall be held at the second General Technical Meeting on the final day of the Mixed Team Event.

### **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

#### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by BWF and approved by the FISU Badminton Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Badminton.

#### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 8 ITOs:

- 1 International Referee;
- 2 International deputy referees;
- 5 BWF Umpires;

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

#### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

#### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

#### **3.5. Financial obligations**

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the ITOs is to be borne by the Organising Committee.

# BASKETBALL

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Basketball events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical rules and regulations of the Fédération Internationale de Basketball (FIBA). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last nine days and include the following events:

Men	Women
16 teams' tournament	16 teams' tournament

The games will be held indoor.

- 1.3. For each tournament, each selected delegation is authorised to enter one team of 12 athletes.
- 1.4. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be considered for the roster and be entitled to participate in any of the games.

- 1.5. The OC shall provide good quality video recordings of the games on USB or equivalent medium to FISU World University Games participants:
  - a. Videos of all games will be provided free of charge.
- 1.6. Competition uniforms must be in accordance with the FISU Basketball Competition Uniform Guidelines.

## 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

### 2.1. Deposit payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.4)

In order to be entitled to enter the Basketball team selection process, delegations shall pay to FISU the team sport deposit of EUR 5,000 per registered team.

The deposit must be paid at the latest six-and-a-half months (2 January 2025) prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, otherwise entries will not be taken into consideration.

### 2.2. Selection

For the selection of teams, where the number of entries is larger than the authorised participation number, the following criteria will be applied:

- a. The entry/nomination and the payment of the team deposit according to the deadlines;
- b. If willing to enter the tournament, the team of the host country is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;
- c. If willing to enter the tournament, the team of the next host country is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;
- d. The rest of the first two quarters of the concerned event shall be automatically filled by those teams who finished with the highest ranking in the most recent FISU event (FISU World University Games, or FISU World University Championship), if fulfilling the conditions stated in point a). Should a team not be willing to take part in the next event, the open spot shall be attributed according to the FISU ranking;

- e. The third quarter shall be filled by teams selected in accordance with the FISU Ranking;
- f. The last quarter shall be filled in accordance with the continental representation, with priority given to unranked teams, if any.

FISU will announce the selection of participating teams no later than six months prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

### 2.3. Team withdrawal

Should a team be selected to compete, the following penalties shall apply in case of withdrawal:

- a. Declaration of non-participation after having entered an official entry and before the drawing of lots shall receive no penalty.
- b. Declaration of non-participation after the drawing of lots has been held and more than 60 days from the starting date of the competitions shall be sanctioned with the loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU)
- c. Declaration of non-participation after 60 but more than 21 days prior to the start of the official competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU).
  - to be placed lowest in that continent for consideration at the subsequent FISU World University Games team selection in the sport that has been withdrawn.
- d. Declaration of non-participation during the 21 days immediately prior to the start of the competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU).
  - exclusion from participation in that sport at the subsequent FISU World University Games.
- e. Withdrawal or non-appearance during the course of the competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU).
  - a compulsory reimbursement to the Organising Committee and FISU of the expenses borne on behalf of the withdrawing delegation and team, plus damages for loss of income and financial consequences.
  - the exclusion from participation in that sport at the subsequent two FISU World University Games and suspension from that sport if organised as a FISU World University Championship for three (3) years.
- f. Repetition of e) will require further disciplinary action by the EC, as advised by the FISU Disciplinary Committee.

### 2.4. Pools' modifications in case of withdrawals

Should a team withdraw after the drawing of lots, pools shall be modified by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee, if needed to preserve the fairness and regularity of the competition.

### 2.5. Seeding

All teams will be seeded based on the FISU Ranking. The FISU Ranking is defined by FISU and takes into consideration the succeeding criteria:

- a. The most recent FISU event of the sport concerned, as recorded until four years prior to the upcoming event;
- b. If a) is not applicable, then the latest IF ranking (or equivalent) senior level and corresponding age group where appropriate, at the team sport entry deadline of the FISU event;
- c. If b) is not applicable, it is at the discretion of FISU to seed the remaining teams according to the most recent performance.



## **2.6. Arrivals**

Selected teams have to confirm their arrival and departure to the Organising Committee and FISU no later than one month before the start of the tournament. Any delegation failing to fulfil this obligation may be considered as withdrawn and a team from the reserve list could be invited for substitution.

Selected teams must activate their accreditation cards at least 48 hours before their first competition.

Teams arriving late will be fined 50% of the team sport deposit. The fine will be charged to the delegations by the Organising Committee upon arrival at the Accreditation Centre.

Their late arrival and non-compliance with the FISU Regulations will be referred to the FISU Disciplinary Committee for further action.

Teams arriving late will have no guarantee to receive their accreditation on time and may be liable for disqualification from the competition.

## **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by FIBA and approved by the FISU Basketball Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

In addition, FIBA will nominate two scouts and three referees' instructors.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Basketball.

### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be as many FIBA referees as selected teams:

- 32 FIBA Referees;
- 2 FIBA Scouts;
- 3 referees' instructors.

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

### **3.5. Financial obligations**

Participating teams must pay a contribution fee for the ITOs' costs to the Organising Committee in order to cover the cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the international referees from FIBA according to the pro-rata of teams registered.

The fixed contribution fee for the ITOs' costs is indicated in the General Regulations Article 5.5.9.

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the Scouts and the Referees' instructors is to be borne by FIBA.

## DIVING

### 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Diving events shall be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of World Aquatics (AQUA). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last seven days and include the following events:

a. Individual events:

Men	Women
1m Springboard	1m Springboard
3m Springboard	3m Springboard
Platform	Platform

b. Synchronised Events:

Men	Women
3m Springboard synchronised	3m Springboard synchronised
10m Platform synchronised	10m Platform synchronised
Mixed 3m Springboard synchronised	
Mixed 10m Platform synchronised	

c. Team event:

Men	Women
Mixed 3m / 10m	

- 1.3. A Team Classification will be established for both men and women. The final results of the Team Classification will be determined by adding the top two scores in the preliminaries of the individual events and the final scores from each synchronised event and the Team event. The final scores of the Team event and both Mixed Synchronised events counts 50% for each Team Classification.
- 1.4. Each delegation is authorised to enter a maximum of 20 athletes (maximum of 10 men and 10 women) as follows:
- a. Individual events: platform and springboard
- Men and women – a maximum of 3 athletes (per gender) in each individual event (1m, 3m, Platform) without any score standard.
  - Should semi-finals take place, no more than 2 athletes from the same delegation may advance into the semi-final of an event. If no semi-finals are held, no more than 2 athletes from the same delegation may advance into the final of an event.
  - The athletes entered in individual events may compete in all the synchronised events and/or Team event.
- b. Synchronised events: platform and springboard
- Men and women - 1 team composed of 2 athletes (of the same gender) in each event.
  - Mixed – 1 team composed of 2 athletes (1 man and 1 woman)
  - The athletes in the synchronised events may compete in all of the individual events and/or Team event.

c. **Mixed Team Event: platform and springboard**

- 1 team composed of at least 1 man and 1 woman, but no more than four 4 athletes.
- The athletes in the team event may compete in all of the individual and/or synchronised events.

1.5. **At the General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.**

Any entry not duly confirmed at the General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be entitled to participate in any of the competitions.

**2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE**

2.1. **Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.5)**

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Diving must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

2.2. **Draw**

The order of Diving (start list) shall be determined by a random draw for all preliminary competitions, the finals of synchronised events and the team event. The draw will be held at the General Technical Meeting.

**3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

3.1. **Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by World Aquatics and approved by the FISU Diving Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Diving.

3.2. **Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 21 ITOs:

- 3 referees; (World Aquatics Technical Committee Members)
- 18 judges from 18 different countries (including 1 from the host country).

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

3.3. **Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

3.4. **Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

### 3.5. Financial obligations

Participating teams must pay a contribution fee for the ITOs' costs to the Organising Committee in order to cover the cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the international judges from World Aquatics according to the pro-rata of athletes registered.

The fixed contribution fee for the ITOs' costs are indicated in the General Regulations Article 5.5.9.

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the three World Aquatics Technical Diving Committee (referees) is to be borne by the Organising Committee.

# FENCING

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Fencing events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the “Fédération Internationale d'Escrime” (FIE). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the French text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last six days and will include the following events:

a. Individual events:

Men	Women
Epée	Epée
Foil	Foil
Sabre	Sabre

b. Team events:

Men	Women
Epée	Epée
Foil	Foil
Sabre	Sabre

- 1.3. Each delegation is authorised to enter 24 athletes.

For the individual competitions, a delegation can enter a maximum of 4 athletes for each weapon. Each athlete may compete in more than one weapon.

For the team competitions, each delegation can enter only 1 team for each weapon. Each participating team is made up of a maximum of 4 athletes and a minimum of 3.

- 1.4. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be entitled to participate in any of the competitions.

## 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

- 2.1. **Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.5)**

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Diving must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.



## **2.2. Seeding and Draw**

Fencers participating in the individual competitions will be seeded according to their current position in the FIE World Cup ranking.

The position of unranked fencers will be randomly drawn.

For team events, teams will be seeded based on the results of their team members in the individual competitions. The three best results will be added up to determine the seed in that particular weapon. The team with the smallest sum will be seeded as number one, etc.

Fencers not participating in the individual competition of a discipline will receive a number equal to the total of participants in the respective individual event plus one.

## **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by FIE and approved by the FISU Fencing Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

In addition, FIE will nominate five ITOs into the Technical Committee for Fencing. The OC and the NF will appoint one ITO to be part of the Technical Committee and NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Fencing.

### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 37 ITOs:

- 5 ITOs for the Technical Committee (4 ITOs to be nominated by FIE and 1 by the NF);
- 24 foreign referees (to be nominated by FIE);
- 8 domestic referees (to be nominated by the NF and notified to FIE).

All referees must have an active FIE license (i.e. must have refereed an international competition in the previous two years).

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

### **3.5. Financial obligations**

Participating teams must pay a contribution fee for the ITOs' costs to the Organising Committee in order to cover the cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board) of the international referees from FIE according to the pro-rata of athletes registered.

The fixed contribution fee for the ITOs' costs is indicated in the General Regulations Article 5.5.9.

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the five ITOs into the Technical Committee is to be borne by the Organising Committee.

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Judo events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the International Judo Federation (IJF). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last four days and will include the following events:

- a. Individual events: each contest will last four minutes for all gender and weight categories

Men	Women
Up to 60kg	Up to 48kg
+60kg to 66kg	+48kg to 52kg
+66kg to 73kg	+52kg to 57kg
+73kg to 81kg	+57kg to 63kg
+81kg to 90kg	+63kg to 70kg
+90kg to 100kg	+70kg to 78kg
+100kg	+78kg

- b. Mixed Team Event: each contest will last four minutes

Mixed Team	-57 kg	Women (48 kg, 52 kg, 57 kg)	Up to and including 57.0 kg
	-73 kg	Men (60 kg, 66 kg, 73 kg)	Up to and including 73.0 kg
	-70 kg	Women (57 kg, 63 kg, 70 kg)	Up to and including 70.0 kg
	-90 kg	Men (73 kg, 81 kg, 90 kg)	Up to and including 90.0 kg
	+70 kg	Women (70 kg, 78 kg, +78 kg)	Over 70.0 kg
	+90 kg	Men (90 kg, 100 kg, +100 kg)	Over 90.0 kg

- 1.3. Each delegation is authorised to enter a maximum 14 athletes (7 men and 7 women) as follows:

- a. Individual competition

- Men: A maximum of 1 athlete per weight category
- Women: A maximum of 1 athlete per weight category

- b. Mixed Team competition:

- Each delegation must have an entire team to enter the mixed team competition. This means that there must be athletes who can compete in all six (6) categories. A total of 12 athletes can take part in the Mixed Team competition, with a maximum of two (2) athletes per category. In case of injuries or illnesses after the draw or during the competition, a team can compete with a minimum of four (4) athletes.
- Teams must be composed of the athletes who are also participating in the individual categories.
- On the day of the team competition the athletes may compete in their own weight category or in the category just above.
- It is compulsory that all athletes listed for the match compete until the team reaches the winning result. If an athlete refuses to compete the team will be disqualified.

- If one team does not show up on time for a match, the other team will be declared the winner.
- The first team reaching the majority of wins is declared the winner. The remaining contests will not be fought. If there are an equal number of wins at the end of the match, a draw is done from all categories regardless if the team has an athlete or not (if both teams do not have an athlete in the same category, this category will be not included in draw). The athletes in the drawn category will refight a golden score contest. The draw is done by computer and displayed on the athlete and public scoreboards.

- 1.4. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes for individual and team competition.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be entitled to participate in any of the competitions.

- 1.5. The decisions of the referees and judges cannot be appealed. All actions and decisions taken in accordance with the “majority of three” rule by the Referee and Judges shall be final.
- 1.6. In no case the athletes or their representatives can consult the referees or the Referee Commission. The athletes or their representatives cannot appeal to the decisions and any attempt to approach the Organising Committee on this subject might provoke the exclusion from the Judo events.
- 1.7. The regularly updated IJF Sport and Organisation Rules (SOR) cover all points that are not covered in these regulations.

## **2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE**

### **2.1 Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.5)**

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Judo must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

### **2.2 Seeding**

The position of athletes will be determined according to their FISU/IJF ranking in the most equitable manner. Once the draw by weight category has been made and the results released at the General Technical Meeting, the order cannot be changed, nor names of participants be added.

### **2.3 Draw**

The draw will be carried out by computer by the IJF software or other similar software authorised by IJF.

### **2.4 Weigh-in**

The official weigh-in for each category will take place the day before the competition in each category. All athletes must be at or under their allowable weight. After the official weigh-in for individual competition, all athletes must be within five percent of their allowable weight.

For team competition, no official weigh-in is required. However, on the team competition day there will be random weight checks and any team athlete weighed must be within five percent of their maximum weight.

### **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

#### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by IJF and approved by the FISU Judo Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Judo.

#### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 22 ITOs:

- 15 IJF referees;
- 2 Computer system operators;
- 1 Replay system operator;
- 3 member of the referee commission;
- 1 member of the sport commission.

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

#### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

#### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

#### **3.5. Financial obligations**

Participating teams must pay a contribution fee for the ITOs' costs to the Organising Committee in order to cover the cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem a) of the international referees from IJF according to the pro-rata of athletes registered.

The fixed contribution fee for the ITOs' costs is indicated in the General Regulations Article 5.5.9.

# RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Rhythmic Gymnastics events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique (FIG). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last three days and include the following events for women:

- a. Individual All-Around Competition
- b. Individual Apparatus Finals

The competitions will include the following apparatus:

Women
Hoop
Ball
Clubs
Ribbon

- c. Group All-Around Competition
- d. Group Apparatus finals

The competitions will include the following apparatus:

Women
5 Ribbons
3 Balls & 2 Hoops

- 1.3. Each delegation is authorised to enter:

- a. Individual All-Around Competition

- Each participating delegation may enter up to 2 athletes.
- The result will be established by adding up the points scored by each athlete on each apparatus.

- b. Individual Apparatus Finals

- The best 8 athletes on each apparatus from the Individual All-Around Competition qualify to participate in the apparatus finals. Having qualified, the participation in finals is mandatory unless athletes prove to be injured.
- The classification by apparatus will be determined by the points obtained in the apparatus finals on the respective apparatus.

- c. Group All-Around Competition

- Each participating delegation is authorised to enter in the group general competition with 1 group of 5 to 6 athletes.



#### d. Group Apparatus Finals

- The best 8 groups on each apparatus in the group general competition qualify to participate in the group finals per apparatus.
- Having qualified, the participation in the finals is mandatory unless athletes prove to be injured.
- The classification by apparatus will be determined by the points obtained in the group finals on the respective apparatus.

- 1.4. All athletes must have a valid FIG license. The license number must be properly indicated on the individual entry form.
- 1.5. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting, will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be entitled to participate in any of the competitions.

## 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

### 2.1. Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.5)

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Rhythmic Gymnastics must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

### 2.2. Draw

The drawing of lots shall be held within two weeks after the deadline for the Individual Entries in accordance with the FIG Technical Regulations.

No entries will be accepted after the drawing of lots.

### 2.3. Inquiries

Inquiries made in Rhythmic Gymnastics will adhere to the policy of FIG.

## 3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

### 3.1. Nomination

All international technical officials are nominated by FIG and approved by the FISU Rhythmic Gymnastics Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Rhythmic Gymnastics.

### 3.2. Number of Technical Officials

There shall be 32 ITOs:

Women
12 E-Judges
8 D-Judges
4 R-Judges
8 Superior Jury

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

### 3.3. Arrival and departure days

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

### 3.4. Accommodation

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

### 3.5. Financial obligations

Participating teams must pay a contribution fee for the ITOs' costs to the Organising Committee in order to cover the cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the international referees from FIG according to the pro-rata of athletes registered.

The fixed contribution fee for the ITOs' costs is indicated in the General Regulations Article 5.5.9.

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the four R-Judges is to be borne by the Organising Committee.

# SWIMMING

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Swimming events shall be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of World Aquatics (AQUA). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last seven days and include the following events:

### a. Individual events:

Men		Women	
Freestyle	50m	Freestyle	50m
	100m		100m
	200m		200m
	400m		400m
	800m		800m
	1500m		1500m
Breaststroke	50m	Breaststroke	50m
	100m		100m
	200m		200m
Backstroke	50m	Backstroke	50m
	100m		100m
	200m		200m
Butterfly	50m	Butterfly	50m
	100m		100m
	200m		200m
Medley	200m	Medley	200m
	400m		400m

### b. Relay events:

Men		Women	
Freestyle	4 x 100m	Freestyle	4 x 100m
	4 x 200m		4 x 200m
Mixed 4 x 100m Freestyle			
Medley	4 x 100m	Medley	4 x 100m
Mixed 4 x 100m Medley			

- 1.3. Each delegation is authorised to enter a maximum of 2 swimmers in each individual event and 1 team in each relay event.
- 1.4. For the 800m and 1500m Freestyle, swimmers may only be entered if their entry time is equal or better than the following:

Event	Men	Women
800m Freestyle	8:14.67	9:01.03
1500m Freestyle	15:46.30	17:14.20

- 1.5. The entry standards should be met, in competition, between 1 January 2024 and the closing date for the submission of Individual Entries. For all other events there are no entry times to be met, but times will be considered for seeding (cf. Art. 2.2).

- 1.6. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting, will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be entitled to participate in any of the competitions.

## **2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE**

### **2.1. Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.5)**

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Swimming must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

### **2.2. Seeding**

Athletes and teams will be seeded for heats on the basis of their submitted times which must be specified on the individual entry form. These times must be achieved between 1 January 2024 and the closing date for the submission of Individual Entries.

## **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by World Aquatics and approved by the FISU Swimming Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Swimming.

### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 6 ITOs. Only those serving on World Aquatics Swimming Officials Lists 22 or 23 will be eligible for nomination.

- 1 AQUA Listed Starter from abroad;
- 1 AQUA Listed Starter from the host country;
- 2 AQUA Listed Referees from abroad;
- 2 AQUA Listed Referees from the host country.

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

### **3.5. Financial obligations**

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the ITOs is to be borne by the Organising Committee.

## TABLE TENNIS

### 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Table Tennis events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF). In cases of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last eight days and include the following events:

a. Individual events:

Men	Women
Singles	Singles
Doubles	Doubles
Mixed doubles	

b. Team events:

Men	Women
24 teams' tournament	24 teams' tournament

- 1.3. Each delegation is authorised to enter a maximum of 5 men and 5 women athletes as follows:

a. Individual events:

- Men's Singles: a maximum of 5 athletes
- Women's Singles: a maximum of 5 athletes
- Men's Doubles: a maximum of 2 pairs
- Women's Doubles: a maximum of 2 pairs
- Mixed Doubles: a maximum of 2 pairs

b. Team tournament:

- Men's Team tournament: 1 team with a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 5 athletes
- Women's Team tournament: 1 team with a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 5 athletes

- 1.4. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative must confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be entitled to participate in any of the competitions.

### 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

2.1. **Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.4 and 5.5.5)**

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Table Tennis must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.



Furthermore, in order to be entitled to enter the Team Event's selection process, delegations shall pay to FISU a deposit of EUR 2,000 per registered team.

The deposit must be paid at the latest six-and-a-half months (2 January 2025) prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, otherwise entries will not be taken into consideration.

## **2.2. Selection**

For the selection of team events, where the number of entries is larger than the authorised participation number, the following criteria will be applied:

- a. The entry/nomination and the payment of the team deposit according to the deadlines;
- b. If willing to enter the tournament, the team of the host country is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;
- c. If willing to enter the tournament, the team of the next host country is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;
- d. The rest of the first two quarters of the concerned event shall be automatically filled by those teams who finished with the highest ranking in the most recent FISU event (FISU World University Games, or FISU World University Championship), if fulfilling the conditions stated in point a). Should a team not be willing to take part in the next event, the open spot shall be attributed according to the FISU ranking;
- e. The third quarter shall be filled by teams selected in accordance with the FISU Ranking;
- f. The last quarter shall be filled in accordance with the continental representation, with priority given to unranked teams, if any.

FISU will announce the selection of participating teams no later than six months prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games .

## **2.3. Withdrawal from the Team Event**

Should a team be selected to compete in the Team Events, the following penalties shall apply in case of withdrawal:

- a. Declaration of non-participation before the Heads of Delegation Meeting shall receive no penalty;
- b. Declaration of non-participation after the Heads of Delegation Meeting has been held, and more than 60 days prior to the FISU Games, shall be sanctioned with the loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
- c. Declaration of non-participation after 60 but more than 21 days prior to the FISU Games shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - to be placed lowest in that continent for consideration at the subsequent FISU World University Games team selection for the Table Tennis Mixed Team Event;
- d. Declaration of non-participation during the 21 days prior to the FISU Games shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - exclusion from Badminton at the subsequent FISU World University Games;
- e. Withdrawal or non-appearance during the course of the FISU Games shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - a compulsory reimbursement to the Organising Committee and FISU of the expenses borne on behalf of the withdrawing delegation and team, plus damages for loss of income and financial consequences;
  - the exclusion from Table Tennis at the subsequent two FISU Games and the suspension from Table Tennis if organised as a FISU World University Championship for three (3) years;
- f. Repetition of e) will require further disciplinary action by the EC, as advised by the FISU Disciplinary Committee.

#### **2.4. Seeding and draw for the Team Event**

All teams will be seeded based on the FISU Ranking. The FISU Ranking is defined by FISU and takes into consideration the succeeding criteria:

- a. The most recent FISU event of the sport concerned, as recorded until four years prior to the upcoming event;
- b. If a) is not applicable, the latest ITTF World Team Ranking at the team sport entry deadline of the concerned FISU event can be considered to establish a proper seeding);
- c. If b) is not applicable, it is at the discretion of FISU to seed the remaining teams according to the most recent performance.

The draw for the preliminary stage shall be held during the first General Technical Meeting in accordance with ITTF regulations.

#### **2.5 Seeding and draw for the Individual Events**

The seeding for Individual Events will be based on the ITTF ranking and the results obtained at previous FISU events.

### **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

#### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by ITTF and approved by the FISU Table Tennis Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Table Tennis.

#### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 22 ITOs:

- 1 Head Referee;
- 3 Deputy Referees (2 foreign and 1 domestic);
- 2 Computer system operators;
- 16 foreign Umpires.

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and the FISU but contains at least:

- 38 Umpires
- 6 Racket Controllers

#### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

#### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

#### **3.5. Financial obligations**

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the ITOs is to be borne by the Organising Committee.

# TAEKWONDO

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Taekwondo events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the World Taekwondo (WT). In any dispute, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last seven days and include:

### a. Kyorugi Competition:

- Individual Events

Men	Women
Up to 54kg	Up to 46kg
+54kg to 58kg	+46kg to 49kg
+58kg to 63kg	+49kg to 53kg
+63kg to 68kg	+53kg to 57kg
+68kg to 74kg	+57kg to 62kg
+74kg to 80kg	+62kg to 67kg
+80kg to 87kg	+67kg to 73kg
+87kg	+73kg

- Team Events

Men	Women
Tag Team	Tag Team
Mixed Tag Team	

### b. Poomsae Competition:

- Individual Events

Men	Women
Individual	Individual

- Team Events

Men	Women
3 athletes' team	3 athletes' team
Mixed team (pair)	

- 1.3. Each delegation is authorised to enter:

### a. Kyorugi Competition: a maximum of 16 athletes (8 men and 8 women)

- Individual events: a maximum of 1 athlete per weight category
- Team event: a maximum of 1 male team, 1 female team and 1 mixed team

The Kyorugi team competition will be organised as follows:

- Male and female team competition with 3 athletes per team per gender respectively;
- Mixed team competition with 4 athletes (2 males and 2 females) per team.

Teams shall be composed of athletes selected within the 16 Kyorugi and 10 Poomsae athletes of each participating delegation in accordance with the following total weight:

- Male: The total weight of the 3 starting athletes should be 240kg or less.
- Female: The total weight of the 3 starting athletes should be 200kg or less.
- Mixed: The total weight of the 2 starting male athletes of each match should be 160kg or less. The total weight of the 2 starting female athletes of each match should be 135kg or less.

Athletes are not allowed to participate in more than one Kyorugi team competition (i.e. if a male or female athlete is competing in the male or female team competition, he/she cannot participate in the mixed team competition to avoid any conflicts or delay).

b. Poomsae Competition: a maximum of 10 athletes (5 men and 5 women) as follows:

- Individual events: a maximum of 1 male and 1 female
- Team event: a maximum of 1 team of 3 athletes per gender and 1 mixed pair
- Each athlete shall perform a Recognized Poomsae and a Free Style Poomsae in the Final Round.
- Allocation of Points (finals only): Recognised Poomsae (50%) and Free Style Poomsae (50%).

Each athlete may compete in more than one category of the Poomsae competition. Each athlete may compete in both Kyorugi and Poomsae.

All athletes must have a valid WT license. The license number must be properly indicated on the Individual Entry Form.

1.4. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be entitled to participate in any of the competitions.

## **2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE**

### **2.1. Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.5)**

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Taekwondo must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

### **2.2. Seeding and Draw**

Drawing for Poomsae, Individual Kyorugi and Team Kyorugi shall be held immediately following the General Technical Meeting in the same location.

Electronic drawing shall be organised by the OC under supervision of the FISU Technical Committee Chair.

A certain number of athletes may be seeded based on their ranks in the WT world ranking, according to the guidelines stipulated in the by-laws of the WT world ranking.

### **2.3. Weigh-in**

The official weigh-in for each category will take place the day before the competition of that same category. Random weight-in will be conducted based upon WT rules at the competition venue.

## **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by WT and approved by the FISU Taekwondo Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games .

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Taekwondo.

### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 44 ITOs:

- Kyorugi: 28 International Referees;
- Poomsae: 16 International Referees.

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

### **3.5. Financial obligations**

Participating teams must pay a contribution fee for the ITOs' costs to the Organising Committee in order to cover the cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the international referees from WT according to the pro-rata of athletes registered.

The fixed contribution fee for the ITOs' costs is indicated in the General Regulations Article 5.5.9.



# TENNIS

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Tennis events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the International Tennis Federation (ITF). In cases of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last ten days and include the following events:

a. Individual events:

Men	Women
Singles	Singles
Doubles	Doubles
Mixed doubles	

The Single matches will be played for the best of three sets. The tie-break will be used in all sets. Doubles, Mixed Doubles and Consolation matches will be played for the best of three sets. No-Ad & tie-break will be used in the first two sets and a ten-point match tie-break will be used in the final set.

b. Team Classification:

The men's team classification will be established based on the results of the men singles and doubles and the mixed doubles events.

The women's team classification will be established based on the results of the women singles and doubles and the mixed doubles events.

- 1.3. Each delegation is authorised to enter a maximum of 8 athletes (maximum 4 men and 4 women) as follows:

- Men's Singles: a maximum of 2 athletes
- Women's Singles: a maximum of 2 athletes
- Men's Doubles: a maximum of 1 pair
- Women's Doubles: a maximum of 1 pair
- Mixed Doubles: a maximum of 1 pair

Athletes participating simultaneously in all three possible events might have to play up to three games per day.

- 1.4. Team Classification:

For both men and women, the results of a maximum of 2 athletes from the singles events and a maximum of 1 pair from the doubles events and 1 pair from the mixed doubles events will be counted into the final ranking.

The medals will be awarded to the top 3 teams.

The athletes of the pair - for doubles events - must be of the same nationality and of the same NUSF.

- 1.5. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be entitled to participate in any of the competitions.

## **2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE**

### **2.1. Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.5)**

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Tennis must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

### **2.2. Seeding**

The most recent performances and the “international computer classification” for singles and doubles of the participants must be clearly indicated on the individual entry form.

The seeding shall be at the discretion of the Referee who shall take into consideration the “international computer classification” for singles and doubles of the participants. The latest available computer rankings during the week when the draw will be held shall be used. If the athletes do not have their own international rankings for singles and doubles, the Referee shall take into consideration the most recent performances in the ITF events or their national rankings confirmed by the national/local Tennis federation.

The number of athletes of doubles teams to be seeded and the procedures for placing the seed will follow ITF Rules.

### **2.3. Draw**

The draw will be conducted during the General Technical Meeting in accordance with the ITF Regulations.

## **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by ITF and approved by the FISU Tennis Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Tennis.

### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 26 ITOs:

- 1 Head Referee (Gold Referee Badge);
- 1 Foreign assistant referee (minimum Silver Referee Badge);
- 1 Domestic assistant referee (minimum Silver Referee Badge);
- 1 Chief umpire (minimum White Badge official).
- 2 Domestic assistant chief umpires (minimum White Badge official)
- 10 Foreign umpires and 10 domestic umpires (minimum White Badge official)

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

### **3.5. Financial obligations**

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the ITOs is to be borne by the Organising Committee.

# VOLLEYBALL

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Volleyball events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the Fédération Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the events are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last nine days and include:

Men	Women
16 teams' tournament	16 teams' tournament

The games will be held indoor.

- 1.3. For each tournament, each selected delegation is authorised to enter 1 team of 12 athletes.
- 1.4. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be considered for the roster and be entitled to participate in any of the games.

- 1.5. The OC shall provide good quality video recordings of the games on USB or equivalent medium to FISU World University Games participants:

- a. Videos of all games will be provided free of charge.

- 1.6. Competition uniforms must be in accordance with the FISU Volleyball Competition Uniform Guidelines.

## 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

### 2.1. Deposit payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.4)

In order to be entitled to enter the Volleyball team selection process, delegations shall also pay to FISU the team sport deposit of EUR 5,000 per registered team.

The deposit must be paid at the latest six-and-a-half months (2 January 2025) prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, otherwise entries will not be taken into consideration.

### 2.2. Selection

For the selection of teams, where the number of entries is larger than the authorised participation number, the following criteria will be applied:

- a. The entry/nomination and the payment of the team deposit according to the deadlines;
- b. If willing to enter the tournament, the team of the host country is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;
- c. If willing to enter the tournament, the team of the next host country is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;

- d. The rest of the first two quarters of the concerned event shall be automatically filled by those teams who finished with the highest ranking in the most recent FISU event (FISU World University Games, or FISU World University Championship), if fulfilling the conditions stated in point a). Should a team not be willing to take part in the next event, the open spot shall be attributed according to the FISU ranking;
- e. The third quarter shall be filled by teams selected in accordance with the FISU Ranking;
- f. The last quarter shall be filled in accordance with the continental representation, with priority given to unranked teams, if any.

FISU will announce the selection of participating teams no later than six months prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

### 2.3. Team withdrawal

Should a team be selected to compete, the following penalties shall apply in case of withdrawal:

- a. Declaration of non-participation after having entered an official entry and before the drawing of lots shall receive no penalty;
- b. Declaration of non-participation after the drawing of lots has been held and more than 60 days from the starting date of the competitions shall be sanctioned with the loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
- c. Declaration of non-participation after 60 but more than 21 days prior to the start of the official competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - to be placed lowest in that continent for consideration at the subsequent FISU World University Games team selection in the sport that has been withdrawn;
- d. Declaration of non-participation during the 21 days immediately prior to the start of the competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - exclusion from participation in that sport at the subsequent FISU World University Games.
- e. Withdrawal or non-appearance during the course of the competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - a compulsory reimbursement to the Organising Committee and FISU of the expenses borne on behalf of the withdrawing delegation and team, plus damages for loss of income and financial consequences;
  - the exclusion from participation in that sport at the subsequent two FISU World University Games and suspension from that sport if organised as a FISU World University Championship for three (3) years;
- f. Repetition of e) will require further disciplinary action by the EC, as advised by the FISU Disciplinary Committee.

### 2.4. Pools' modifications in case of withdrawals

Would a team withdraw after the drawing of lots, pools shall be modified by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee, if needed to preserve the fairness and regularity of the competition.

### 2.5. Seeding

All teams will be seeded based on the FISU Ranking. The FISU Ranking is defined by FISU and takes into consideration the succeeding criteria:

- a. The most recent FISU event of the sport concerned, as recorded until four years prior to the upcoming event;

- b. If a) is not applicable, then the latest IF ranking (or equivalent) senior level and corresponding age group where appropriate, at the team sport entry deadline of the FISU event;
- c. If b) is not applicable, it is at the discretion of FISU to seed the remaining teams according to the most recent performance.

## **2.6 Arrivals**

Selected teams have to confirm their arrival and departure to the Organising Committee and FISU no later than one month before the start of the tournament. Any delegation failing to fulfil this obligation may be considered as withdrawn and a team from the reserve list could be invited for substitution.

Selected teams must activate their accreditation cards at least 48 hours before their first competition. The Head coach and Team Leader must arrive early enough to ensure attendance at their preliminary inquiry meeting and at the first General Technical Meeting.

Teams arriving late will be fined 50% of the team sport deposit. The fine will be charged to the delegations by the Organising Committee upon arrival at the Accreditation Centre.

Their late arrival and non-compliance with the FISU Regulations will be referred to the FISU Disciplinary Committee for further action.

Teams arriving late will have no guarantee to receive their accreditation on time and may be liable for disqualification from the competition.

## **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by FIVB and approved by the FISU Volleyball Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

In addition, FIVB in collaboration with the OC and the NF will nominate Technical Sub-Committees for Volleyball Referees and Volleyball Jurors.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Volleyball.

### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 49 ITOs:

- 16 FIVB International Referees or International Referee Candidates for the Women's Tournament;
- 16 FIVB International Referees or International Referee Candidates for the Men's Tournament;
- 17 members of Technical Sub-Committee for Volleyball Referees and Volleyball Jurors.

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.



### 3.5. Financial obligations

Participating teams must pay a contribution fee for the ITOs' costs to the Organising Committee in order to cover the cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the international referees from FIVB according to the pro-rata of teams registered.

The fixed contribution fee for the ITOs' costs is indicated in the General Regulations Article 5.5.10.

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the Technical Sub-Committees members is to be borne by the Organising Committee.

# WATER POLO

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Water Polo events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of World Aquatics (AQUA). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competition are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last ten days and include:

Men	Women
8 teams' tournament	8 teams' tournament

- 1.3. For each tournament, each selected delegation is authorised to enter 1 team of 11 athletes and a maximum of 2 goalkeepers.
- 1.4. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.

Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.

Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be considered for the roster and be entitled to participate in any of the games.

- 1.5. The OC shall provide good quality video recordings of the games on USB or equivalent medium to FISU World University Games participants:
- a. Videos of all games will be provided free of charge.
- 1.6. Competition uniforms must be in accordance with the FISU Water Polo Competition Uniform Guidelines.

## 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

### 2.1. Deposit payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.4)

In order to be entitled to enter the Water Polo team selection process, delegations shall also pay to FISU the team sport deposit of EUR 5,000 per registered team.

The deposit must be paid at the latest six-and-a-half months (2 January 2025) prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, otherwise entries will not be taken into consideration.

### 2.2. Selection

For the selection of teams, where the number of entries is larger than the authorised participation number, the following criteria will be applied:

- a. The entry/nomination and the payment of the team deposit according to the deadlines;
- b. If willing to enter the tournament, the team of the host country is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;
- c. If willing to enter the tournament, the team of the next host country is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;
- d. The rest of the first two quarters of the concerned event shall be automatically filled by those teams who finished with the highest ranking in the most recent FISU event (FISU World University Games, or FISU World University Championship), if fulfilling the conditions stated in point a). Should a team not be willing to take part in the next event, the open spot shall be attributed according to the FISU ranking;

- e. The third quarter shall be filled by teams selected in accordance with the FISU Ranking;
- f. The last quarter shall be filled in accordance with the continental representation, with priority given to unranked teams, if any.

FISU will announce the selection of participating teams no later than six months prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

### 2.3. Team withdrawal

- a. Declaration of non-participation after having entered an official entry and before the drawing of lots shall receive no penalty;
- b. Declaration of non-participation after the drawing of lots has been held and more than 60 days from the starting date of the competitions shall be sanctioned with the loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
- c. Declaration of non-participation after 60 but more than 21 days prior to the start of the official competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - to be placed lowest in that continent for consideration at the subsequent FISU World University Games team selection in the sport that has been withdrawn;
- d. Declaration of non-participation during the 21 days immediately prior to the start of the competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - exclusion from participation in that sport at the subsequent FISU World University Games.
- e. Withdrawal or non-appearance during the course of the competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - a compulsory reimbursement to the Organising Committee and FISU of the expenses borne on behalf of the withdrawing delegation and team, plus damages for loss of income and financial consequences;
  - the exclusion from participation in that sport at the subsequent two FISU World University Games and suspension from that sport if organised as a FISU World University Championship for three (3) years;
- f. Repetition of e) will require further disciplinary action by the EC, as advised by the FISU Disciplinary Committee.

### 2.4. Pools' modifications in case of withdrawals

Should a team withdraw after the drawing of lots, pools shall be modified by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee, if needed to preserve the fairness and regularity of the competition.

### 2.5. Seeding

All teams will be seeded based on the FISU Ranking. The FISU Ranking is defined by FISU and takes into consideration the succeeding criteria:

- a. The most recent FISU event of the sport concerned, as recorded until four years prior to the upcoming event;
- b. If a) is not applicable, then the latest IF ranking (or equivalent) senior level and corresponding age group where appropriate, at the team sport entry deadline of the FISU event;
- c. If b) is not applicable, it is at the discretion of FISU to seed the remaining teams according to the most recent performance.

## **2.6. Arrivals**

Selected teams have to confirm their arrival and departure to the Organising Committee and FISU no later than one month before the start of the tournament. Any delegation failing to fulfil this obligation may be considered as withdrawn and a team from the reserve list could be invited for substitution.

Selected teams must activate their accreditation cards at least 48 hours before their first competition.

Teams arriving late will be fined 50% of the team sport deposit. The fine will be charged to the delegations by the Organising Committee upon arrival at the Accreditation Centre.

Their late arrival and non-compliance with the FISU Regulations will be referred to the FISU Disciplinary Committee for further action.

Teams arriving late will have no guarantee to receive their accreditation on time and may be liable for disqualification from the competition.

## **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by World Aquatics and approved by the Water Polo Swimming Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Swimming.

### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 18 ITOs:

- 8 FINA Referees for the Women's Tournament, giving priority, if possible, to referees coming from the same countries taking part in the tournament;
- 8 FINA Referees for the Men's Tournament, giving priority, if possible, to referees coming from the same countries taking part in the tournament;
- 2 neutral FINA Referees.

The number and the roles of the NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

### **3.5. Financial obligations**

Participating teams must pay a contribution fee for the ITOs' costs to the Organising Committee in order to cover the cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the international referees from World Aquatics according to the pro-rata of teams registered.

The fixed contribution fee for the ITOs' costs is indicated in the General Regulations Article 5.5.9.

# 3x3 BASKETBALL

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The 3x3 Basketball events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the Fédération Internationale de Basketball (FIBA). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last four days and include:

Men	Women
12 teams' tournament	12 teams' tournament

- 1.3. For each tournament, each selected delegation is authorised to enter 1 team of 4 players.
- 1.4. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.  
  
Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.  
  
Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be considered for the roster and be entitled to participate in any of the games.
- 1.5. The OC shall provide good quality video recordings of the games on USB or equivalent medium to FISU World University Games participants:
  - a. Videos of all games will be provided free of charge.
- 1.6. The Competition uniforms must be in accordance with the FISU 3x3 Basketball Competition Uniform Guidelines.

## 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

### 2.1. Deposit payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.4)

In order to be entitled to enter the 3x3 Basketball team selection process, delegations shall pay to FISU the team sport deposit of EUR 2,000 per registered team.

The deposit must be paid at the latest six-and-a-half months (2 January 2025) prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, otherwise entries will not be taken into consideration.

### 2.2. Selection

For the selection of teams, where the number of entries is larger than the authorised participation number, the following criteria will be applied:

- a. The entry/nomination and the payment of the team deposit according to the deadlines;
- b. If willing to enter the tournament, the team of the host country is automatically qualified;
- c. If willing to enter the tournament, the team of the next host country is automatically qualified
- d. The rest of the teams will be selected based on the FIBA 3x3 Federation Ranking, ensuring that every continent has at least 2 teams, if possible.

FISU will announce the selection of participating teams no later than six months prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.



### 2.3. Team withdrawal

Should a team be selected to compete, the following penalties shall apply in case of withdrawal:

- a. Declaration of non-participation after having entered an official entry and before the drawing of lots shall receive no penalty.
- b. Declaration of non-participation after the drawing of lots has been held and more than 60 days from the starting date of the competitions shall be sanctioned with the loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU)
- c. Declaration of non-participation after 60 but more than 21 days prior to the start of the official competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU).
  - to be placed lowest in that continent for consideration at the subsequent FISU World University Games team selection in the sport that has been withdrawn.
- d. Declaration of non-participation during the 21 days immediately prior to the start of the competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU).
  - exclusion from participation in that sport at the subsequent FISU World University Games.
- e. Withdrawal or non-appearance during the course of the competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU).
  - a compulsory reimbursement to the Organising Committee and FISU of the expenses borne on behalf of the withdrawing delegation and team, plus damages for loss of income and financial consequences.
  - the exclusion from participation in that sport at the subsequent two FISU World University Games and suspension from that sport if organised as a FISU World University Championship for three (3) years.
- f. Repetition of e) will require further disciplinary action by the EC, as advised by the FISU Disciplinary Committee.

### 2.4. Pools' modifications in case of withdrawals

Should a team withdraw after the drawing of lots, pools shall be modified by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee, if needed to preserve the fairness and regularity of the competition.

### 2.5. Seeding

All teams will be seeded based on the FIBA 3x3 Federation Rankings as of 1 January 2025. If not applicable, it is at the discretion of FISU to seed the remaining teams according to the most recent performances.

### 2.6. Arrivals

Selected teams have to confirm their arrival and departure to the Organising Committee and FISU no later than one month before the start of the tournament. Any delegation failing to fulfil this obligation may be considered as withdrawn and a team from the reserve list could be invited for substitution.

Selected teams must activate their accreditation cards at least 48 hours before their first competition.

Teams arriving late will be fined 50% of the team sport deposit. The fine will be charged to the delegations by the Organising Committee upon arrival at the Accreditation Centre.

Their late arrival and non-compliance with the FISU Regulations will be referred to the FISU Disciplinary Committee for further action.

Teams arriving late will have no guarantee to receive their accreditation on time and may be liable for disqualification from the competition.

### **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

#### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by FIBA and approved by the FISU 3x3 Basketball Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

In addition, FIBA will nominate one referees' instructor.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for 3x3 Basketball.

#### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 10 ITOs:

- 8 FIBA Referees;
- 1 referees' instructor;
- 1 sport supervisor;

The number of NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

#### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

#### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

#### **3.5. Financial obligations**

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the ITOs is to be borne by the Organising Committee. The per-diem of the Referees' instructors is to be borne by FIBA.

## 3x3 WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL

### 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the International Wheelchair Basketball Federation (IWBF). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last four days and include:

Men	Women
6 teams' tournament	6 teams' tournament

- 1.3. For each tournament, each selected delegation is authorised to enter 2 teams of 4 players.
- 1.4. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.
- Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.
- Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be considered for the roster and be entitled to participate in any of the games.
- 1.5. The OC shall provide good quality video recordings of the games on USB or equivalent medium to FISU World University Games participants:
- a. Videos of all games will be provided free of charge.
- 1.6. The Competition uniforms must be in accordance with the FISU 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball Competition Uniform Guidelines

### 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

#### 2.1. Deposit payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.4)

In order to be entitled to enter the 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball team selection process, delegations shall pay to FISU the team sport deposit of EUR 2,000 per registered team.

The deposit must be paid at the latest six and half months prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, otherwise entries will not be taken into consideration.

#### 2.2. Selection

For the selection of teams, where the number of entries is larger than the authorised participation number, the following criteria will be applied:

- a. The entry/nomination and the payment of the team deposit according to the deadlines;
- b. Priority will be given to select at least one team per registered delegation, if fulfilling the conditions stated in point a) and in the respect of the conditions stated below;
- c. If willing to enter the tournament, one team of the host country is automatically qualified;
- d. If willing to enter the tournament, one team of the next host country is automatically qualified;
- e. The rest of the teams will be selected based on the IWBF 5-5 U23 World Ranking at the time of the selection, ensuring that there will be a minimum of 1 per zone, if possible.

FISU will announce the selection of participating teams no later than six months prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

### 2.3. Team withdrawal

Should a team be selected to compete, the following penalties shall apply in case of withdrawal:

- a. Declaration of non-participation after having entered an official entry and before the drawing of lots shall receive no penalty.
- b. Declaration of non-participation after the drawing of lots has been held and more than 60 days from the starting date of the competitions shall be sanctioned with the loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU)
- c. Declaration of non-participation after 60 but more than 21 days prior to the start of the official competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU).
  - to be placed lowest in that continent for consideration at the subsequent FISU World University Games team selection in the sport that has been withdrawn.
- d. Declaration of non-participation during the 21 days immediately prior to the start of the competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU).
  - exclusion from participation in that sport at the subsequent FISU World University Games.
- e. Withdrawal or non-appearance during the course of the competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU).
  - a compulsory reimbursement to the Organising Committee and FISU of the expenses borne on behalf of the withdrawing delegation and team, plus damages for loss of income and financial consequences.
  - the exclusion from participation in that sport at the subsequent two FISU World University Games and suspension from that sport if organised as a FISU World University Championship for three (3) years.
- f. Repetition of e) will require further disciplinary action by the EC, as advised by the FISU Disciplinary Committee.

### 2.4. Pools' modifications in case of withdrawals

Should a team withdraw after the drawing of lots, pools shall be modified by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee, if needed to preserve the fairness and regularity of the competition.

### 2.5. Seeding

All teams will be seeded based on the IWBf 5-5 U23 World Ranking as of 1 January 2025. If not applicable, it is at the discretion of FISU to seed the remaining teams according to the most recent performances.

### 2.6. Arrivals

Selected teams have to confirm their arrival and departure to the Organising Committee and FISU no later than one month before the start of the tournament. Any delegation failing to fulfil this obligation may be considered as withdrawn and a team from the reserve list could be invited for substitution.

Selected teams must arrive in the FISU Games Village at least 48 hours before their first competition.

Teams arriving late will be fined 50% of the team sport deposit. The fine will be charged to the delegations by the Organising Committee upon arrival at the Accreditation Centre.

Their late arrival and non-compliance with the FISU Regulations will be referred to the FISU Disciplinary Committee for further action.

Teams arriving late will have no guarantee to receive their accreditation on time and may be liable for disqualification from the competition.

### **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

#### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are nominated by IWBF and approved by the FISU 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

In addition, FIBA will nominate one referees' instructor.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Basketball.

#### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 13 ITOs:

- 6 Referees;
- 1 Referee Supervisor;
- 1 Sport Supervisor;
- 4 Classifiers;
- 1 Chief Classifier;

The number of NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

#### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

#### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

#### **3.5. Financial obligations**

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the ITOs is to be borne by the Organising Committee.



# BEACH VOLLEYBALL

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Beach Volleyball events will be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the Fédération Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text will be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the events are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last six days and include:

Men	Women
24 teams' tournament	24 teams' tournament

The games will be held outdoor.

- 1.3. For each tournament, each selected delegation is authorised to enter 2 teams of 2 players.
- 1.4. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.
- Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.
- Only with an accreditation card approved by the CIC can an athlete be considered for the roster and be entitled to participate in any of the games.
- 1.5. The OC shall provide good quality video recordings of the games on USB or equivalent medium to FISU World University Games participants:
- a. Videos of all games will be provided free of charge.
- 1.6. The Competition uniforms will be provided by the OC and will be in accordance with the FISU Beach Volleyball Competition Uniform Guidelines

## 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

### 2.1. Deposit payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.4)

In order to be entitled to enter the Beach Volleyball team selection process, delegations shall pay to FISU the team sport deposit of EUR 2,000 per registered team.

The deposit must be paid at the latest six-and-a-half months (2 January 2025) prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, otherwise entries will not be taken into consideration.

### 2.2. Selection

For the selection of teams, where the number of entries is larger than the authorised participation number, the following criteria will be applied:

- a. The entry/nomination and the payment of the team deposit according to the deadlines;
- b. Priority will be given to select at least one team per registered delegation, if fulfilling the conditions stated in point a) and in the respect of the conditions stated below;
- c. If willing to enter the tournament, one team of the host country is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;
- d. If willing to enter the tournament, one team of the next host country is automatically qualified as part of the first two quarters;

- e. The rest of the first two quarters of the concerned event shall be automatically filled by those teams who finished with the highest ranking in the most recent FISU event (FISU World University Games, or FISU World University Championship), if fulfilling the conditions stated in point a). Should a team not be willing to take part in the next event, the open spot shall be attributed according to the FISU ranking;
- f. The third quarter shall be filled by teams selected in accordance with the FISU Ranking;
- g. The last quarter shall be filled in accordance with the continental representation, with priority given to unranked teams, if any.

FISU will announce the selection of participating teams no later than six months prior to the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

### 2.3. Team withdrawal

Should a team be selected to compete, the following penalties shall apply in case of withdrawal:

- a. Declaration of non-participation after having entered an official entry and before the drawing of lots shall receive no penalty;
- b. Declaration of non-participation after the drawing of lots has been held and more than 60 days from the starting date of the competitions shall be sanctioned with the loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
- c. Declaration of non-participation after 60 but more than 21 days prior to the start of the official competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - to be placed lowest in that continent for consideration at the subsequent FISU World University Games team selection in the sport that has been withdrawn;
- d. Declaration of non-participation during the 21 days immediately prior to the start of the competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - exclusion from participation in that sport at the subsequent FISU World University Games.
- e. Withdrawal or non-appearance during the course of the competition shall be sanctioned with:
  - a loss of the team deposit (50% for the Organising Committee and 50% to FISU);
  - a compulsory reimbursement to the Organising Committee and FISU of the expenses borne on behalf of the withdrawing delegation and team, plus damages for loss of income and financial consequences;
  - the exclusion from participation in that sport at the subsequent two FISU World University Games and suspension from that sport if organised as a FISU World University Championship for three (3) years;
- f. Repetition of e) will require further disciplinary action by the EC, as advised by the FISU Disciplinary Committee.

### 2.4 Pools' modifications in case of withdrawals

Should a team withdraw after the drawing of lots, pools shall be modified by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee, if needed to preserve the fairness and regularity of the competition.

### 2.5 Seeding

All teams will be seeded and divided into pools based on the FIVB Ranking at the time of the deadline for Individual Entries. If not applicable, it is at the discretion of FISU to seed the remaining teams according to the most recent performances.

## 2.6 Arrivals

Selected teams have to confirm their arrival and departure to the Organising Committee and FISU no later than one month before the start of the tournament. Any delegation failing to fulfil this obligation may be considered as withdrawn and a team from the reserve list could be invited for substitution.

Selected teams must activate their accreditation cards at least 48 hours before their first competition. The Head coach and Team Leader must arrive early enough to ensure attendance at their preliminary inquiry meeting and at the first General Technical Meeting.

Teams arriving late will be fined 50% of the team sport deposit. The fine will be charged to the delegations by the Organising Committee upon arrival at the Accreditation Centre.

Their late arrival and non-compliance with the FISU Regulations will be referred to the FISU Disciplinary Committee for further action.

Teams arriving late will have no guarantee to receive their accreditation on time and may be liable for disqualification from the competition.

## 3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

### 3.1. Nomination

All international technical officials are nominated by FIVB and approved by the FISU Beach Volleyball Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Beach Volleyball.

### 3.2. Number of Technical Officials

There shall be 12 ITOs:

- 12 FIVB International Referees

The number of NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

### 3.3. Arrival and departure days

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

### 3.4. Accommodation

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

### 3.5. Financial obligations

Participating teams must pay a contribution fee for the ITOs' costs to the Organising Committee in order to cover the cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the international referees from FIVB according to the pro-rata of teams registered.

The fixed contribution fee for the ITOs' costs is indicated in the General Regulations Article 5.5.9.

# ROWING

## 1. GENERAL TERMS

- 1.1. The Rowing events shall be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of 'World Rowing' (WR), except for the regulation concerning the coxswains, who may be of either gender. In any dispute the English text shall be regarded as authoritative.
- 1.2. The programme and duration of the competition are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee. In principle, the programme will last three days and include the following events:

Men	Women
Single sculls (M1x)	Single sculls (W1x)
Double sculls (M2x)	Double sculls (W2x)
Pair (M2-)	Pair (W2-)
Four (M4-)	Four (W4-)
Eight (M8+)	Eight (W8+)
Mixed Quadruple sculls (Mix4x )	

- 1.3. Each delegation is authorised to enter a maximum of 1 crew per event.
- 1.4. Delegations wishing to 'double up' between boat classes will have minimal flexibility in the programme to allow for these cases. A minimum of approximately 2 hours between each round of a boat class, will be maintained. These 2 hours window will not apply across sculling and sweeping events.
- 1.5. At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or their representative shall confirm and sign the official list of athletes.
- Any entry not duly confirmed at the first General Technical Meeting, will not be taken into consideration except for force majeure.
- 1.6. The Organising Committee will provide participating delegations coming from outside of Europe with free boats and oars. All competition equipment will be supplied by an official World Rowing equipment partner.

## 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

### 2.1. Payment (cf. FISU Games General Regulations Art. 5.5.5)

Two months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games, all delegations participating in Rowing must confirm their participation with the payment of a deposit of EUR 425 per athlete and official registered in the Quantitative Entry.

The deposit shall be received by the Organising Committee and shall be credited to the remainder of the participation fees to be paid to the Organising Committee.

### 2.2. Selection

Should the number of crews taking part in an event exceed the number of available starting positions, a progression system shall be applied according to WR rules of Racing.

### 2.3. Draw and Seeding

In each event, there shall be a minimum of two-hour interval between two rounds. The progression systems to be used during the regattas of the FISU World University Games shall be prescribed in the WR Rules of Racing (the By-Laws to Rule 57 and Appendix R7).

The draw for the first round of heats shall take place during the General Technical Meeting to be held, in principle, on the day before the first heat. The draw shall be random.

If an event has less than seven entries at the time of the draw, there shall be a preliminary race to determine the lanes for the final.

The draw shall be carried out using the software used by the official timing provider of the event.

If a crew withdraws after the draw up until one hour before the start of the first heat and if the number of crews remaining in the event involves another variant of the heats and repechages, or if such withdrawal results in an avoidable imbalance between the number of crews in each heat, FISU Technical Committee Chair shall hold a new draw.

2.4. In all other aspects not regulated above, the WR Rules of Racing should be referred to.

### **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

#### **3.1. Nomination**

All international technical officials are appointed by the WR Umpires Commission in consultation with the FISU Rowing Technical Committee Chair. These ITOs must be invited by the OC no less than three months before the opening ceremony of the FISU World University Games.

The OC and the NF will appoint NTOs to complement the team of technical officials required for Rowing.

#### **3.2. Number of Technical Officials**

There shall be 19 ITOs:

- 1 President of the Jury nominated by the host country (holding an international umpire licence);
- 18 jury members.

The number of NTOs shall be agreed between the OC and FISU.

#### **3.3. Arrival and departure days**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, all international technical officials are to arrive one day prior to their first official meeting as agreed between FISU and the OC and depart one day after the end of competition.

#### **3.4. Accommodation**

Unless otherwise stated by FISU, ITOs are to be accommodated in single rooms.

#### **3.5. Financial obligations**

The cost (travel expenses, accommodation, full board and the per-diem) of the ITOs is to be borne by the Organising Committee.

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