

Variations to the WCF Regulations to be used in all ERC events

General

ERC events are only open to European Members/RCOs of the WCF as well as to individual players eligible to represent a European country.

Tournament Officials

If necessary, one individual may fulfil the role of:

- a) Tournament Director and Tournament Manager, or
- b) Tournament Director and Tournament Referee.

Tournament Referee

If necessary, the Tournament Referee may be a player but ideally this should be avoided. The Deputy Tournament Referee should act in place of the Tournament Referee if a player Tournament Referee is conflicted.

Referees

The Tournament Referee is encouraged to appoint suitably qualified players as referees.

Allocation Process for European Singles Events

The Allocation process set out in the WCF Sports Regulations will apply except that: -

Member Place Limit

The maximum total number of places that any Member may receive will be 15% of the Event Capacity, with any fraction rounded up.

This limit will not apply at any time there is a vacancy in the event, which cannot otherwise be filled.

Extra Membership Places for the Event Host

The Member Place Limit has an impact in this area. The interim concept of Notional Extra Membership places is created in order to give the desired implementation which is as follows: -

Step 1 - The Member Place Limit for the event should be determined.

Step 2 - The number of Membership Places the Host is entitled to will be determined (eg 2 for a Full Member)

Step 3 - the European Regional Committee will decide the number of Notional Extra Membership Places that it intends to award the Host, based on WCF Sports Regulations, Appendix 3, para. 1.3, if they do not otherwise reach their Member Place Limit. Note - The total number of Membership Places and Notional Extra Membership Places should be less than or equal to the Member Place Limit.

Step 4 - The Ranking Place allocation process will be conducted on the basis of the Host receiving the number of Notional Extra Membership places. This will determine the number of Ranking Places to which the Host is entitled.

Step 5 – The total number of Membership places (step 2) and Ranking places (step 4) to which the host is entitled will be determined. Should this be less than the Member Place Limit (step 1), Extra Membership places will be awarded to the Host until either the Member Place Limit is reached, or the number of Notional Extra Membership places (step 3) have been awarded as Extra Membership Places.

Step 6 - Any Notional Extra Membership places not used in step 5 are awarded as further Ranking Places (subject to the Member Place Limit).

Example: England is hosting a 28 player event

Step 1 – Member Place Limit = $28 \times 15\% = 4.2$, rounded up to 5 – the maximum number of English players

Step 2 – England, as Full Members, get 2 Membership places.

Step 3 – The ERC decide to award the host 2 Notional Extra Membership places, based on WCF Sports Regulations, Appendix 3, para. 1.3.

Step 4 – The Ranking Allocation process is carried out. This results in England receiving 2 Ranking Places.

Step 5 – England is entitled to 2 Membership 2 Ranking places, 4 in total. The Member Place Limit is 5. England is awarded 1 of the Notional Extra Membership places as an Extra Membership place, bringing their total allocation up to 5, the Member Place limit.

Step 6 – Having been entitled to 2 Notional Membership places but only requiring 1 of them a Notional Membership place is not used and awarded as an extra Ranking place to the highest ranked player from a Member that has not reached the Member Place Limit.

Having reached the Member Place Limit other England players would only get into the event if it is not full.
