



EUROPEAN SUMO CHAMPIONSHIPS

U21 – Men and Women

U23 – Men and Women

Seniors – Men and Women



OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
& TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Hungary, Szigetszentmiklós 23rd – 25th May, 2025

The Hungarian Sumo Federation would like to invite your Federation to participate in The Official European Continental Sumo Championship 2025 (U21, U23 and Seniors) in Szigetszentmiklós, Hungary.

I. PURPOSE:

To internationally popularize and promote Sumo as well as establish mutual friendship and goodwill among participating European countries.

II. CO-ORGANIZERS & SUPPORTERS:

- European Sumo Federation
- Hungarian Sumo Federation
- Ministry of Defence of Hungary
- National Institute of Sports Development and Methodology
- Sportoló Nemzet

III. IMPORTANT DATES:

16 April 2025. WEDNESDAY	to inform if the national sumo federation will participate in the ESC or not and deliver preliminary submission of entries by number of competitors per weight category.
25 April 2025. FRIDAY	the deadline for sending entry forms
	the deadline for hotel reservation
	the deadline for sending referees application
	the TUE deadline (see item Doping Control)
30 April 2025. WEDNESDAY	deadline for paying accomodation
8 May 2025. THURSDAY	the deadline for transportation reservation
12 May 2025. MONDAY	the deadline for corrections in the entry forms (changing names of athletes due to injuries or other unpredictable circumstances)

III. COMPETITION VENUE:

The competition will take place at the **SZIGETSZENTMIKLÓSI VÁROSI SPORTCSARNOK**
Szebeni u. 81. 2310 Szigetszentmiklós, Hungary

Homepage: <https://szszmsportcsarnok.hu/>

Address: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/srkNoGtHUcqcXW8cA>



THE TERMS OF PARTICIPATION:

Participants shall be from national federations – members of the European Sumo Federation and countries approved by the EFS.

Competitors shall be men and women (U21, U23, Seniors) who are registered to the Sumo Federation of each participating country. A competitor may participate in the competition only under the nationality appearing on his passport.

There shall be 3 competitors participating in a team of a country for the team competition and 1 substitute (a minimum of 2 competitors are allowed to participate in the team competition).

Only accredited participants will have access to the field of play and the surrounding area. Previously mentioned areas will be protected by security.

IV.ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS:

Accreditation: All participating athletes and officials with positions need their accreditation.

Official Packages:

There are 3 types of packages (Package. A and Package. B and Package C) depending on the number of nights which are as follows:

Package. A: 380 euro per person (4 nights/5 days)

Check-in 22 May, check-out 26 May

This package includes;

- accreditation cost*
- visa support*
- 4 nights at a 3* - 4* Hotel*
- breakfast in Hotel (4 days)*
- lunch on competition days in Sport Hall (3 days)*

Package. B: 290 euro per person (3 nights/4 days)

This package includes;

- accreditation cost
- visa support
- 3 nights at a 3* - 4* Hotel
- breakfast in Hotel (3 days)
- lunch on competition days in Sport Hall (2 days)

Package. C: 200 euro per person (2 nights/3 days)

This package includes;

- accreditation cost
- visa support
- 2 nights at a 3* - 4* Hotel
- breakfast in Hotel (2 days)
- lunch on competition days in Sport Hall (1 day)

Single and triple rooms are very limited, prices vary.

Accreditation is available to all athletes, coaches, referees and officials. The participant's accreditation for the ESC is issued only on condition of accommodation in official hotels, provided by the organizer.

Please make sure to send your booking requests as soon as possible.

If you miss the booking deadline, the organizer will try to find the accommodation, but the price will be higher.

Costs of accommodation has to be paid for account of organizer before competition (till April, 30). It is mandatory! After sending accommodation sheet, organizer will prepare invoice to make payment.

Cancellation policy

In case of cancellation, charges will be made in the percentage of the total accreditation cost. Cancellations made 6-13 days prior to check-in: 50%

Cancellations made 1-5 days prior to check-in: 100% Cancellations made on the day of check-in or no-show: 100%

NB! If participants do not use accommodations provided by the organizer, they will be required to pay a fee of 200€ per person for accreditation otherwise they will not be allowed to participate.

DINNER:

You can order dinner at the hotels - you must book in advance! Details will send later!

V. TRANSPORT:

Transportation shall be provided to all accredited participants who registered. Local transportation includes transport from and to Liszt Ferenc International Airport (BUD), hotel and competition venue. These transportation arrangements are only made for accredited participants who stay in the official accommodations reserved through the Organizers. Using official transportation is not mandatory, you can arrange it by yourself.

Transportation Fee: 50€ per person

Non-local Travel: The cost of airline flights for all participating athletes and officials between the participating country and Liszt Ferenc International Airport will be borne by the participating country.

VII. APPLICATIONS:

All documents must be completed and submitted for application by e-mail only:

- Individual Application Form (entry forms delivered by Organizers)
- ID Photos (jpg or pdf form, approximate 200 pixels/inch) (each individual)
- Passport Copies (scanned in jpg or pdf form, indicating name, passport number, expiry date, photo) (each individual)
- Accommodation Sheet (one form per country)
- Referees Application

Above mentioned documents have to be sent both to Secretariat of European Sumo Federation, e-mail: **tározum@wp.pl** AND to **info@sumo.hu**

VIII. FEES:

Entry Fees:

1. U21 of € 50.00 per individual start and team of € 60,00.
2. U23 of € 50.00 per individual start and team of € 60,00.
3. Seniors of € 70.00 per individual start and team of € 110,00.

Entry fees should be paid during accreditation to Committee: Mr. Rolf Rotnes (Treasurer of EFS), Ms. Magdalena Pawlik (Senior Manager of EFS) or before competition by bank transfer.

Coaches, referees, guests, officials do not need to pay this entry fee.

Every federation has to pay **EFS annual membership fee** to EFS: € 150.

IX. COMPETITION RULES:

The weigh – in procedure:

Will be organized in two separate rooms –one for women and one for men. Moreover, the male athletes take part in this procedure wearing short leggings. Taking off it is not allowed. The weight, which will be shown by scale, will be reduce of 100 gram/per every male athlete as a weight of leggings. The female athletes have to wear a leotard. Taking of it is not allowed. The weight, which will be shown by scale, will be reduce of 200 gram/per every female athlete as a weight of leotard.

Tournament system:

The tournament shall be conducted based on the Regulations on Competition and Regulations on Refereeing of the International Sumo Federation and European Sumo Federation. ESC will be organized in accordance with system of EFS –if amount of athletes in weight category will be less than or equal 5, will be used round robin system, if more –double repechage. EFS ensure computer and computer program to run tournament.

Referees issues:

ESF will designate Head Referee of tournament and person, who will manage computer program. All national federations may nominate candidate for being referee by sending application. After verification of application by Chief of Referee in cooperation with designed Head Referee of ESC and Vice president of refereeing matters of EFS, EFS will announc referees. Sending the application does not mean that referee will work during the tournament. Work of referees will be paid by European Sumo Federation and the rate will depends on job evaluation.

To ensure impartial refereeing, the Head Referee will be appointed by the ESF from a country other than the organizer of the European Sumo Championships.

Athletes' outfit:

- Competitors must wear mawashi (white or black) approved by the European Sumo Federation.
- **Underpants MUST be worn by male competitors and must be in black colour only.** Other colours are not allowed. The length of the underpants must cover half of the thigh, but cannot cover the knees. Due to the decision of General Assembly of EFS in November of 2023 -**No male athlete will be allowed to start without underpants!**
- Female competitors must wear a leotard under the mawashi. The colour of the leotard is not restricted.
- Each competitor is responsible for bringing his own mawashi, underpants or leotard.
- Country identification (Zekken) supplied by the host federation must be worn.
- Other rules:

- A maximum of 3 competitors (Senpo, Chuken, and Taisho) and 1 substitute may register for the Team Competition in the tournament. There is no weight limit.
- In the team competition, the championships shall be determined through the tournament system.
- A substitute competitor may be swapped in the team competition only once.

Weigh Categories:

W/M - U21 (born 2004-2008):

W	-50kg	-55kg	-60kg	-65kg	-70kg	-75kg	+75kg	Open
M	-65kg	-70kg	-77kg	-85kg	-92kg	-100kg	+100kg	Open

W/M - U23 (born 2002-2008):

W	-50kg	-55kg	-60kg	-65kg	-73kg	-80kg	+80kg	Open
M	-70kg	-77kg	-85kg	-92kg	-100kg	-115kg	+115kg	Open

W/M - Seniors (born 2008 and older):

W	-50kg	-55kg	-60kg	-65kg	-73kg	-80kg	+80kg	Open
M	-70kg	-77kg	-85kg	-92kg	-100kg	-115kg	+115kg	Open

Competitors in the individual competition are also able to participate in the team competition. Up to two competitors from one country can compete in one weight category.

X. COMPETITION PROGRAM:

22nd May, Thursday		
12:00 - 17:00	Accreditation and weigh-in. After weigh – in technical meeting and draw for U21	In Danubius Hotel Arena
23rd May, Friday		
9:00 - 10:00	Referee meeting	Sport Hall, Szigetszentmiklós
10:00 -	Competition U21, Men and Women After fights - Awarding Ceremony	Sport Hall, Szigetszentmiklós
12:00 - 13:00	Opening Ceremony	Sport Hall, Szigetszentmiklós
18:00 - 18:30 *in a previously agreed case, in agreement with the organizer it is possible to extend the weigh-in time	Weigh in for U23	In Danubius Hotel Arena
18:30 - 19:00	Technical meeting and draw for U23	In Danubius Hotel Arena
24th May, Saturday		
9:00 - 10:00	Referee meeting	Sport Hall, Szigetszentmiklós
10:00 -	Competition U23, Men and Women After fights - Awarding Ceremony	Sport Hall, Szigetszentmiklós
18:00 - 18:30 *in a previously agreed case, in agreement with the organizer it is possible to extend the weigh-in time	Weigh in for Seniors	In Danubius Hotel Arena
18:30 - 19:00	Technical meeting and draw for Seniors	In Danubius Hotel Arena
25th May, Sunday		
10:00 - 12:00	EFS General Assembly	Hotel Ibis Citysouth
11:00 - 12:00	Referee meeting	Sport Hall, Szigetszentmiklós
12:00 -	Competition Seniors, Men and Women After fights - Awarding Ceremony	Sport Hall, Szigetszentmiklós

XI. AWARDING:

Winners will receive a medal. Athletes who win a medal must attend the awarding ceremony to receive their medal in person. Male competitors must wear mawashi and underpants and female competitors must leotard and mawashi. Training wear is not allowed at the ceremony.

XII. DOPING:

Doping tests can be taken by any athlete participating in the European Sumo Championships. This Competition shall be subject to the Doping Control under the IFS Anti-Doping Code. In accordance with the IFS Anti-Doping Code, each athlete in this competition shall be deemed to have agreed to be subject to the Doping Control procedures at the time when she enters this competition.

When an athlete in this competition refuses or evades sample collection, whether competition fails to comply with instructions of a Doping Control official, or when an athlete in this competition cannot complete the Doping Control procedures due to personal reasons such as returning home, etc., such conduct or circumstance may be considered to constitute anti-doping control rule violations. If an athlete in this competition is deemed to have committed an anti-doping rule violation, such an athlete shall be subject to sanctions under the IFS Anti-Doping Code.

Regardless of In-Competition Testing or Out-of-Competition Testing, an athlete whose blood sample is to be collected is required to take a rest of 2 hours after competition or training.

Each athlete is required to confirm the details of the IFS Anti-Doping Code and a doping test on the website of the International Sumo Federation: [http://www.ifs-sumo.org/pdf/IFS-Anti Doping Code .pdf](http://www.ifs-sumo.org/pdf/IFS-Anti_Doping_Code_.pdf)

Athletes may have illnesses or conditions that require them to take particular medications or undergo procedures. If the medication required by the athlete to treat her illness or condition happens to be in the WADA Prohibited List, a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) may give that athlete the authorization to take the needed medicine or method.

To apply for a TUE form, download the TUE Form (updated form, please use the current form) from the IFS website <http://www.ifs-sumo.org>, complete the form and send all the necessary documents to: tarozum@wp.pl

No exceptions will be made.

XIII. INSURANCE:

Each National Federation is responsible for its competitors and must arrange for accident and health insurance as well as the civil liabilities for their competitors and officials during the events of the European Sumo Championships. The organizers and EFS will not be responsible and shall not be held liable for injuries or any other accidents during the events. The organizers shall provide first aid for injuries sustained during the Championships but shall not be held liable for such injuries or any other accidents. The organizers will not be able to treat any other ailments not due to injury (such as headache or stomach-ache).

XIV. MEDIA

Participants have been informed and accept that all media rights including but not limited to TV rights, image, internet and new media rights are the exclusive property of EFS.

Individual Champion and Team Champion must accept an interview after the final match. Other medallists may also be interviewed.

XV. CONTACTS:

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