



**FEDERATION
OF INTERNATIONAL
TOUCH**

European Championships 2022

Conditions of Entry

To be read in conjunction with the General Conditions document.

All monetary amounts are to be paid in Pound sterling (GBP).

Times mentioned throughout this document are in Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) unless noted otherwise.

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Host Nation

The Host Nation for the European Championships 2022 is **England Touch Association**, the Member for **England**.

Classification

This is a **Tier 2A Federation Event** as defined in the [FIT Event Classification Policy](#).

Venue

The venue for the European Championships 2022 is the **University of Nottingham, Highfields Sports Complex**.



Further details with regards to the University can be found below:

- University Boulevard, Nottingham, NG7 2PS
- [Official Website](#)
- [Facebook Page](#)
- [Google Map](#) of the event precinct
- [Travel to the University](#)

Host City

The city of Nottingham is located in the county of Nottinghamshire in the East Midlands region of England, situated some 200 kilometres or 2 hours north of London. Nottingham is serviced locally by [East Midlands Airport](#) (approximately 13 miles away) and can be accessed easily via train from London ([East Midlands Rail](#)), coach ([National Express](#) and other operators) and car (via the M1 and A1). Further travel details for the city and county can be found at [Visit Nottinghamshire](#).

Perhaps most well known for the legendary Robin Hood, Nottinghamshire is also home to Raleigh Bikes, lace-making, MRI scanners, the clothes designer Sir Paul Smith, Boots the Chemist - the founders of Ibuprofen, some of the oldest and quirkiest pubs in the country and is a city of sporting heritage with Brian Clough's Nottingham Forest, the oldest football league club in the world - Notts County, Nottingham Panthers Ice Hockey, Nottingham Rugby, the Tennis Centre, the National Water Sports Centre, the National Ice Arena and the world-famous Trent Bridge Cricket Ground.

For further details check out [Visit Nottinghamshire](#).

Event Dates

There will be a briefing for all team managers and player accreditation on **Monday 1st August 2022**.

The opening ceremony will take place on **Tuesday 2nd August 2022**.

The tournament will be conducted between **Tuesday 2nd August** and **Saturday 6th August 2022**, inclusive. Some teams may not play games on Tuesday, this will be dictated by division size.

Specific details will be provided in event memoranda distributed to participating Members.

Event Fees

The cost to enter a team in the European Championships 2022 is £2090.

Members must ensure that all transaction fees are covered when transferring funds internationally as short payments may jeopardise their financial standing and acceptance to the event.

Alternate payment arrangements will only be considered in exceptional circumstances.

Early Bird Discount

The entry fee will be discounted by 10% for teams that enter and pay the entry fee by 12:00 UTC on Thursday 31st March 2022. Team entries that are unpaid at this time will miss out on the early bird offer and must pay the full amount.

When exercising the early bird option please be aware that this will be both non-transferable and non-refundable. FIT offers this incentive in return for a *commitment* to the event.

Our recommendation is to take the early bird option for divisions in which you are certain you will field a team. We of course welcome and encourage early nominations without payment if you wish to avoid the commitment.

Payment Schedule

Each member must adhere to the minimum payment schedule below or FIT will impose fines and may be forced to withdraw teams from the tournament.

Date	Component	Amount Due	Penalty
31st March 2022 ¹	Earlybird Levy	£1900	n/a
30th April 2022	Levy first payment	£1045	£50
15th May 2022	deadline for late first payment + fine		entry rejected
30 June 2022	Levy final payment	£1045	£50
15th July 2022	deadline for late final payment + fine		removal from tournament

The total payable to FIT is £2090 in two instalments of £1045 respectively, plus any fines accrued for late payment.

Members are encouraged to pay earlier than these dates to avoid penalties for late payments.

An invoice will be issued by FIT that will provide directions on where to direct payment.

Eligibility

Team Eligibility

In addition to the requirements in the General Conditions document, each Member must have maintained continuous membership of the Federation for the calendar years 2020 to 2022 inclusive, regarding:

- On-time payment of 2020 affiliation fees;
- On-time payment of 2021 affiliation fees;
- On-time payment of 2022 affiliation fees;
- Fulfilling all administrative requirements of membership; and
- Free of other financial encumbrance related to the Federation.

New members admitted from 2021 do not need to satisfy the 2020 membership requirement.

Coach Eligibility

In addition to the requirements in the General Conditions document all coaches must be a minimum current Level One accredited coach.

¹ This is an optional payment timeline – members can save £190 by paying in full early.

Playing Divisions

The following recognised divisions are offered at European Championships 2022.

Open divisions

- Men's Open (MO) (players born on or before 2nd August 2006)
- Women's Open (WO) (players born on or before 2nd August 2006)
- Mixed Open (XO) (players born on or before 2nd August 2006)

Senior divisions

- Men's 30 (M30) (players born on or before 31st December 1991)
- Men's 35 (M35) (players born on or before 31st December 1986)
- Men's 40 (M40) (players born on or before 31st December 1981)
- Men's 45 (M45) (players born on or before 31st December 1976)
- Men's 50 (M50) (players born on or before 31st December 1971)
- Women's 27 (W27) (players born on or before 31st December 1994)
- Women's 35 (W35) (players born on or before 31st December 1986)
- Women's 40 (W40) (players born on or before 31st December 1981)
- Women's 45 (W45) (players born on or before 31st December 1976)
- Women's 50 (W50) (players born on or before 31st December 1971)
- Mixed 30 (X30) (players born on or before 31st December 1991)
- Mixed 40 (X40) (players born on or before 31st December 1981)

Players may not participate in more than one division.

No consideration will be given to avoiding clashes in the scheduling of matches for individuals who are fulfilling multiple roles (player, coach, manager) during the event.

Timeline

- Entries will open on 25th December 2021
- Early Bird discount will close at 12:00 on 31st March 2022
- Entries will close at 12:00 on 30th April 2022 and must include the first payment at this time
- Team acceptances will be issued prior to the 1st June 2022
- Participant registration will open at 12:00 on 1st June 2022
- Participant registration will close at 12:00 on 24th July 2022

Tents

Each team will be allocated tent space (inclusive of 3 walls) of at least 9 square metres (minimum), the cost of which is included in the entry fee.

Any Member wishing to have additional space allocated must enquire with the Host Nation to determine availability and additional cost.

The Host Nation will allocate the position of tents which will be placed around the venue. Payment for the additional space must be paid for upfront and is non-refundable.

Associated Equipment

All associated equipment is deemed the property of the Member hiring the equipment and any unauthorised use or abuse of this equipment will not be tolerated.

Any large infrastructure you wish to bring onto the venue site requires prior authorisation from the Host Nation and venue management.

Members will be responsible for ensuring the safety and protection of all equipment they bring to the venue.

Loss or Damage

Members are responsible for any lost or damaged equipment supplied by the Host Nation.

Any costs for replacement or repairs are a liability of the Member responsible for the equipment. Members should insure themselves for property damage.

Accommodation

[Nottingham Conferences](#) (the University's own conferencing agency) is holding approximately 1400 single occupancy and twin rooms in halls of residence located on the main campus. These are located a short walk from the fields of play.

Rooms are being held on either a bed and breakfast, or dinner, bed and breakfast basis and include use of the fantastic sports facility at the [David Ross Sports Village](#) located on-site. Rooms will be able to be booked with Nottingham Conferences directly, with details to be provided early in 2022.

For those wishing to stay elsewhere, Nottingham has an abundance of budget and luxury hotel accommodation, AirBNB facilities, lodges, camping and other accommodation options. There is no central booking agency, although [Visit Nottinghamshire](#) does have several options.