



WFDF

Ultimate Club Team Eligibility Rules for WFDF Championship Events

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1. Preface

1.1. Preconditions of the Eligibility Rules

The WFDF Ultimate Club Championships are designated as tournaments for competition between ongoing ultimate club teams (referred to henceforth as 'team'). Eligibility Rules must be easy to understand for every player. Eligibility Rules must treat all teams equally. All WFDF members must be given a chance to participate at WFDF Ultimate Club Championships.

1.2. Purpose of the Eligibility Rules

Eligibility Rules serve to:

Define guidelines that National Associations can use to endorse their representing club teams.

Guide National Associations to preferably endorse existing teams that also play on national club level (wherever this is possible and reasonable).

Guide National Associations to preferably endorse regionally based teams or teams with an ongoing history of playing together rather than all-star teams (wherever this is possible and reasonable).

Guide teams to keep their rosters as close as possible to the rosters used at national club championships.

1.3. General Guidelines

A team represents a particular country. A team is ultimately defined by its roster. A team and its roster must be endorsed by their National Association. All players on the team must be members of the National Association, and must meet whatever other requirements are placed on them by the National Association.

The National Association is expected to follow the WFDF guidelines for the definition of a club when endorsing teams.

1.4. Inability to Meet all Guidelines

Should a National Association find, that certain circumstances (travel distance, limited number of players in that country or its teams, other special circumstances....) will not make it possible to meet all guidelines then the National Association must inform WFDF of their reasoning considering the teams endorsed.

WFDF reserves the right to discuss these decisions with the National Association. WFDF reserves the right to veto the participation of a team should it become obvious that the

guidelines are willfully abused by the National Association. WFDF will make information regarding exceptions due to special circumstances available to other National Associations with teams participating in the applicable division.

2. WFDF Guidelines for an Ultimate Club Team

2.1. General

A team is a group of people who play together and enter ultimate tournaments under that team's name. A team entering into a WFDF Event is identified by its WFDF roster.

2.2. History

The team should have a history of playing together.

If the country of that team holds championships in the division in question, the team must have participated in the most recent championship.

2.3. Geography

The team must have a town or city as their home base.

A core of players must live in that area of that place, allowing them to train and play together regularly.

2.4. Roster

A team is finally defined by its WFDF roster.

A team must submit a preliminary WFDF roster no later than 2 months prior to the tournament.

No player may be on 2 rosters simultaneously.

The preliminary WFDF roster may at any time contain a maximum of 36 players.

Players may be deleted from the roster at any time.

5 players may be added until 1 month prior to the tournament when WFDF rosters will be frozen.

The final WFDF roster may only contain 28 players and will automatically be capped after the first 28 names when the roster gets frozen.

3. Distribution of Bids

3.1 General

WFDF will provide National Associations with team bids, per division, for the WFDF Ultimate Club Championships.

It is up to each National Association to decide how the club teams who represent their country will be selected.

WFDF trusts that the National Association will follow the WFDF guidelines when endorsing a team to represent their country wherever this is possible and reasonable.

4. Future Updates

4.1 2012/2013 Updates

WFDF, through the Championships Committee has committed to reviewing all team eligibility, division and general event rules prior to WUCC in 2014. This and other related documents will be updated by June 30, 2013.