

Namur City Youth International - Rules

Article 1. Participation rules.

This event is reserved for delegations invited by the Ping Namurois Promotion Training Centre. **To participate to the Namur City Youth International, each delegation must include a minimum of 6 players per registration form.**

Article 2. Teams

The Namur City Youth International is a team competition of 6 players minimum and 20 players maximum. Players must be registered in at least four different age categories: **1 U9 (Boy or Girl), 1 U11 (Boy or Girl), 1 U13 (Boy or Girl), 1 U15 (BOY or Girl).**

A player may participate in his or her age category or in the immediately higher age category.

Article 3. Age Categories :

- U15 Boy (CAG)
- U15 Girl (CAF)
- U13 Boy (MG)
- U13 Girl (MF)
- U11 Boy (PRG)
- U11 Girl (PRF)
- U9 Boy (POG)
- U9 Girl (POF)

The age categories are those set by the ITTF.

Article 4. Additional registrations

The registration of a team entitles you to the additional entry of up to 4 players. Those additional participants registered need to be ranked in order of preference. They will be incorporated into the draws according to this order until the maximum number of players for this category is reached.

Article 5. Challenge

A team challenge will be set up at the end of each edition. Only teams represented in at least 4 different draws and 4 categories can participate in this Challenge. The ranking of this Challenge will be based on the best four results for the delegation.

Article 6. Registration

Registrations are made through delegations. Each delegation can register several teams. Each delegation must complete the registration form to be sent to the head of the Namur Youth International, completed with the name and first name for each player as well as his (her) date of birth, his (her) ranking (last official ranking awarded) and size for the T-shirt.

Article 7. Financial conditions

Travel and stay costs are borne by the delegations involved.

The registration fee for delegations that do not wish a package is **55 €** per player.

Three "all-inclusive" packages are available:

- **Package at 105 euros per person:** accommodation in a hotel ***, a double or triple room. Supplement of 25.00 euros for a single room.

- **Package at 90 euros per person:** accommodation in a hotel**, in a double room. Supplement of 20.00 euros for a single room.
- **Package at 80 euros per person:** collective accommodation in room of 2 to 6 people. Supplement of 20.00 euros for a single room.

These packages include the evening meal on the Saturday night, the lunch packet the Sunday served on site and the breakfast on the Sunday at the accommodation.

A meal for the Saturday noon and the Friday evening can be booked and taken on site at a cost of 14.00 euros per person. Similarly, an extra meal or lunch packet can be booked for the cost of 14.00 euros.

The invoice must be paid by bank transfer by October 30 at the latest. A 10% surcharge will be claimed for each payment reminder sent after that date.

Article 8. Referees

All games of the Namur City Youth International will be directed by referees. The first day, during the groups phase, players can also referee, except if enough official referees/volunteers are present. During the final draw, the matches will be directed by official referees.

To participate in this effort, each delegation is asked to provide an official referee or a volunteer who will be made available to the Umpire the second day of the competition, or if possible, the two days of the competition. If this was not possible for a delegation, a financial contribution of 200 euros will be requested in order to take over an additional referee.

If a delegation comes with a referee or a volunteer, for the two days of the competition, a reduction of 50 euros will be given to the delegation.

Article 9. Formulas of individual tables

9.1. Depending on the number of initial registrations, the organized draws will be 12, 16, 24 or 32 players maximum.

9.2. In each category, players are divided into groups on the first day.

9.3. At the end of the groups phase, in the final draw, players are seeded according to the ranking of the first day.

9.4. Categories may be joined if they do not reach a minimum of 12 entries.

Article 10. Duration of games

All matches will be played best of five games.

Article 11. Challenge Formula

Teams complying with Article 5 take part automatically in the Namur City Youth International Challenge

11.1. For each team, only the best result achieved in each draw will be taken into account for the establishment of the ranking.

11.2. The ranking will be based on the best four results.

11.3. Each of those four selected results gives the team a number of points equal to the player's place in the draw.

11.4. The number of points earned by a team corresponds to the sum of points earned by its four selected representatives.

11.5. The ranking of this Challenge is made in increasing order of the number of points, the winning team being the one with the fewest points.

11.6. In the event of an equality of points between several teams, the split will be as follows:

a) team with the best individual result, then the best second result, etc.

b) team with the youngest participant, the result of which is selected for the Challenge standings

Article 12. Appeal jury

This regulation may be amended by the Umpire if necessary.

For any sporting dispute, an appeal board will be formed by the President of the Training and Promotion Centre of Ping Namurois or its representative, the Director of competition and the Head of the organisation.

Article 13. Rewards

- Each player participating in the competition will receive a T-shirt
- The first 3 of each draw will be rewarded with cups.
- The first team of the Challenge will be rewarded with a trophy