

European Fair-Play

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R.1. Fundamental values of fair play:

R.1.1. Fair competition

To enjoy the fruits of success, it is not enough to win. Triumph must be measured by absolute fair means, honesty and just play.

R.1.2. Respect

For every sportsman, playing by the written rules is mandatory, and respecting the unwritten ones is a must. Fair play requires unconditional respect for opponents, fellow players, referees and fans.

R.1.3. Friendship

Rivalry on the field does not exclude friendship. On the contrary, friendship could grow from noble rivalries.

R.1.4. Team spirit

Individuals can be strong on their own, but they are much stronger in a team. Sharing the moment of victory with your team is the ultimate pleasure.

R.1.5. Equality

Competing on equal terms is essential in sport. Otherwise, performance cannot be measured properly.

R.1.6. Sport without doping

Fair play means not cheating by taking drugs or doping. Anyone who does this ruins the game for everyone else.

R.1.7. Integrity

Being honest and having strong moral principles are essential to fair play. Practicing sport within a sound ethical framework is vitally important if you aim

to be a true champion.

R.1.8.Solidarity

It is important to support each other and share feelings, aims and dreams. Mutual support brings mutual success on and off the field.

R.1.9. Tolerance

The willingness to accept behaviour or decisions you may not agree with develops your self-control. Ultimately, that could be the deciding factor when it comes to winning or losing.

R.1.10.Care

True champions care about each other as they are well aware that they could not be where they are without having been cared for by others.

R.1.11.Excellence

Sport engages us in a collective effort to pursue human excellence.

R.1.12. Joy

Pierre de Coubertin, the father of the modern Olympic Games said: "The important thing in life is not the triumph, but the fight. The essential thing is not to have won, but to have fought well." Competition can be intense, but you should always first look for joy when practicing any sports. You should never forget about the play even in the heat of the fight.

R.2.1.During the ECU events, any discriminations or favoritisms is not allowed.

R.2.2.During the ECU events, any political or religious messages, posters or symbols are not allowed.

R.2.3.ECU Board, after a complaint, may impose penalties to federations, officials, arbiters, organisers, players that are violating the fair play rules, as follows:

R.2.3.1.Warning

R.2.3.2. Expulsion from a championship

R.2.3.3. Ban to compete, arbitrate or organise ECU Championships from 6 months to 3 years

R.2.3.4. Ban to enter any playing hall of an ECU Championship from 6 months to 3 years

R.2.4 The procedure to form a complaint and to be forwarded to the ECU Board for examination will be defined with guidelines, which will be approved published and distributed by the ECU Board.

R.2.5 ECU pays high attention in observing the Fair Play norms and is entitled to act in this matter according to the Statutes and Regulations