



EUROPEAN MUAYTHAI FEDERATION

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EMF Member National Federations

Via email

Subject: Official Invitation – 2026 European Muaythai Championships

Dear President,

It is with great honour and enthusiasm that we extend this official invitation to all European Muaythai National Federations to participate in the 2026 European Championships, to be held in the city of Lights, Paris - France from 17th to 25th October 2026.

This prestigious event, hosted by the Federation Francaise de Kickboxing Muaythai et Disciplines Associees (FFKMDA), will bring together the continent's finest athletes over all age divisions in a celebration of Muaythai's competitive and cultural traditions. The championships will feature all IFMA age divisions:

- Senior Elite
- Under 24
- Youth

Athletes will compete across three primary disciplines:

- Combat: Showcasing the thrilling and dynamic nature of Muaythai combat.
- Cultural: Highlighting the beauty and tradition of Wai Kru and Mai Muay, paying homage to the sport's rich heritage.
- Para-S: Showcasing IFMA's All-Inclusive competitions.

We are committed to providing a platform where excellence and sportsmanship are celebrated, and where athletes, coaches, and supporters can come together in a spirit of unity and mutual respect. The FFKMDA is eagerly preparing to welcome you, ensuring a memorable experience marked by warm hospitality and exemplary organisation.

Your participation will not only contribute to the success of this event but will also strengthen the bonds within our Muaythai community. We encourage all national federations to join us in Athens for what promises to be an unforgettable championship.





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Please find attached the event details, registration information, and other pertinent documentation. Should you have any questions or require further assistance, do not hesitate to contact us.

We look forward to welcoming you to Paris.

Sincerely,

Charissa Tynan
IFMA DIRECTOR GENERAL

Nadir Allouache
FFKMDA PRESIDENT

Hasan Yildiz
EMF PRESIDENT





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Official Event Dates:

18 th JUN	Registration Opens on ifmalive.com
1 st SEP	End of Early Bird Rates Registration & Payment
1 st SEP	Entry by Number & Last date for Uniform Size Orders – any changes/additions after this will be first come, first serve.
20 th SEP	Registration Closes
5 th OCT	Last day to change weight divisions without Penalty
16 th OCT	Change of weight divisions no longer accepted
17 th & 18 th OCT	Arrivals/Accreditation
18 th OCT	Team Manager Meeting
19 th OCT	Opening Ceremony & Bouts
24 th OCT	Final and Medals Ceremony
25 th OCT	Departure

[EVENT SCHEDULE HERE](#)

Refund/Cancellation Policy

Cancellations made fifteen (15) or more days prior to the date of arrival will incur a 10% charge.
Cancellations made less than two (2) days prior to the arrival date will incur a 100% charge.

Method of Submission:

Team Registration & Uniform Orders (Open from 18 JUN) on ifmalive.com

Medical Paperwork Requirements:

All athletes must present their [Athlete's Consent form](#), [Medical Declaration Form](#). athletes, there is an additional requirement of a valid blood test for Hep B, Hep C and HIV made not more than 6 months on the accreditation day (18th April 2026)

Participation Fees & Rates:

Uniform:

All athletes competing in the COMBAT discipline must purchase the tournament uniform kit consisting of 2 tank tops (blue/red), 1 pair of muaythai shorts for the early bird registration price of \$60USD (€52) per person. Orders made and paid after the expiration of the Early Bird period shall we charged the Standard price of \$70USD (€60)

Accreditation:

All participants must be registered to the event via the registration platform (ifmalive.com) and must have a valid IFMA membership on the platform (\$10 USD/year for YOUTH / \$ 20 USD/year for ADULT).

Athletes additionally must have a valid e-boxer book \$5 USD/ year.

To receive accreditation for the European Muaythai Championships 2026, each participant should have a minimum of 7 nights (Between 18th to 25th November 2026) booked in the official hotel and purchase the competition uniform in the case of Athletes.

*Athletes & ASPs competing in the all-inclusive divisions are not bound by the minimum stay regulation.

Accommodation:

Early Booking Rate **only for bookings paid in advance by 1st October 2026*

Twin/Triple Room Rate: 150 USD per person (130€)
Single Room Rate: 197 USD per night (170€)
Quad Room Rate: 146 USD per person (125€)

Standard Booking Rate **for all bookings paid after 1st October 2026 and on-site*

Twin/Triple Room Rate: 157 USD per person (135€)
Single Room Rate: 203 USD per night (175€)
Quad Room Rate: 150 USD per person (130€)





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**Rates include:

- All Transfers to/from ATH and hotel on 17th, 18th, and 25th October 2026
- 3 meals per day

Payment Methods:

1. Cash on site in EURO at Standard Rates
2. Bank Transfer at Early Bird Rates if paid before 1st September:

Education & Development Courses:

All coaches requiring access to Field of Play must hold at least a level 1 OSM Course Certificate.
OSM Level 1 course (3-days): \$350 USD (300€)

All Technical Officials participating in duty on the event must enter the relevant R&J Course regardless of their level.

There are 3 R&J Courses which should be selected according to your level...

1. Standard IFMA R&J Course (3-days) \$200USD. (175€)
This is for all new Team RJs up to those that have an IFMA R&J Certificate National Level 3.
2. Intermediate IFMA R&J Course (2-days) \$100USD (85€)
This is for all Provisional ITO, as well as Team RJ that have IFMA R&J Certification International Level 1 and up.
3. Advanced ITO Refresher/Upskill Workshop (2.5 Hours)
For all ITO to maintain level, develop and share best practices.

Rules & Regulations // European Championship 2026

The Rules and Regulations presented hereafter are in accordance with the current Rules and Regulations of the International Federation of Muaythai Amateur (IFMA) approved by the Technical Committee and the Executive Board of IFMA.

Participating Teams for European Championships

- National teams of all IFMA & EMF Members (*with membership fees paid up to 2026) are invited to participate at the championships.
- Each country is allowed to send only one national team to participate in the championships.
- Each team is allowed to send only one contestant for each weight category of each combat discipline division (male, female).
- Each team is allowed to send only one contestant for each weight category of each muaythai technical discipline (semi-contact) division (male, female).
- Each team is allowed to send only one contestant for each division of the Wai Kru division (Male/Female)
- Each team is allowed to send only one duo in each of the Mai Muay divisions (Male/Female)
- For every 6 athletes entered, each team MUST enter at least 1 Team Referee (R&J)

****A Technical Official Surcharge of \$500 USD shall be imposed for every 6 athletes registered in the combat discipline on a team delegation if no Team R&J is registered, with a Maximum surcharge of \$2000 per delegation.**

This will be invoiced and charged to the National Federation after the close of registration on the 20th of October after delegation registrations have been reviewed.





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Divisions of the Competition

Combat (Full-Contact) Discipline competition will be held in the following age categories in the weight divisions as per the IFMA Rules and Regulations (Rule 4):

- Senior
- U24
- U18
- U16

Muaythai Technical (Semi-Contact) Discipline competition will be held in the following age categories in the weight divisions as per the IFMA Rules and Regulations (Rule 4):

- U14
- U12

****Note:** If there are less than 3 entries in any division, the competition will not be held for that division. Please observe the registration deadlines to ascertain whether there will be a sufficient number of athletes in a division to proceed with a competition in that category.

Wai Kru Discipline divisions: Individual Male, Individual Female (as per IFMA rules and regulations Rule 34)
Mai Muay Discipline divisions: Duo Male, Duo Female (as per IFMA rules and regulations Rule 34).

*Para & Special divisions in all ages:
- Para-Wheelchair (PW) (Male, Female)
- Para- Amputee (PA) (Male, Female)
- Para visual impairment (PVI) (Male, Female)
- Special (Male, Female)

Changing Weight Divisions

The FINAL deadline for moving a registered athlete to another weight division is 16th of October.

Any team wishing to change the division of an athlete after already completing registration may do so by contacting the Technical Delegate (medical@muaythai.sport) or IFMA Competition Manager (mohamad.amr@muaythai.sport).

All requests for changing weight divisions after the **5th of OCTOBER** are subject to a penalty of \$ 100 USD.

Drawing of Names

The Division Rosters shall be communicated to all Team Managers at the latest by the evening of the Official Arrival Day, and any discrepancies or errors must be informed to the Technical Delegate. The Draw will be published at the Team Manager Meeting. During this, the team manager or coach or a selected representative from each country must be present.

Competition Conduct

All contestants must behave accordingly to the IFMA code of ethics and code of conduct (See - https://muaythai.sport/codes_policies/) -as a good sportsperson and follow the rules and regulations as laid out. Contestants will be penalised for any violations.

Appealing Decisions

All appeals should be in accordance with the rules & regulations of the International Federation of Muaythai Associations (IFMA) for international tournaments and competitions.





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Awards and Prizes

In each weight category of the Male/Female combat discipline, the winner of the Final bout will be the Champion and awarded with the Gold medal of the European Championship. The other finalists will receive the Silver medal of the European Championship, and 2 Bronze medals of European Championship will be awarded to the 2 semi-finalists.

In each weight category of the Male/Female technical discipline, the winner of the Final bout will be the Champion and awarded with the Gold medal of the European Championship. The other finalists will receive the Silver medal of the European Championship, and 2 Bronze medals of European Championship will be awarded to the 2 semi-finalists.

In each division of the Wai Kru and Mai Muay disciplines, winners of the final competition will be awarded a Gold medal of the European Championship. The other finalists will receive the Silver medal of the European Championship, and 2 Bronze medals of the European Championship will be awarded to the 2 semi-finalists.

Doping Control

Athletes and technical officials participating in the European Championships are bound to and must comply with the IFMA Anti-Doping Rules. These rules, which are compliant with the World Anti-Doping Code and its international Standards, can be downloaded from the IFMA website at <https://muaythai.sport/what-is-doping/>

The **Agence française de lutte contre le dopage (AFLD)** conducts in-competition tests as Testing Authority during the event. AFLD will collect the samples, and these will then be analysed by the WADA-accredited lab. Collection and analysis will be carried out in accordance with the International Standard for Testing, the International Standard for Laboratories, and the 2026 Prohibited List.

During the event period, from 19th – 24th October in Paris, athletes can be tested at any time or place, urine or blood, with no advance notice. The event testing plan includes finishing placement tests, random tests, pre-competition tests, and target tests.

Under the strict liability principle, an anti-doping rule violation occurs whenever a Prohibited Substance is found in an Athlete's bodily Specimen. The violation occurs whether or not the Athlete intentionally or unintentionally used a Prohibited Substance or was negligent or otherwise at fault. (see Article 2.1.1 of the Code and IFMA Anti-Doping Rules).

ATHLETES MUST EXERCISE EXTREME CAUTION REGARDING NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL USE.

TUEs

The World Anti-Doping Code permits athletes to apply for TUEs, i.e. the permission to use, for therapeutic purposes, substance or methods in the Prohibited List in force where use would otherwise be prohibited. IFMA recognises TUEs that have been granted by National Anti-Doping Organisations (NADOs), and those needing to submit a TUE are encouraged to contact the relevant NADO to apply for it, which IFMA will then recognise automatically.

After an athlete submits a duly completed TUE application with the required supporting medical documentation to the NADO, it can take up to 30 days to receive the decision of the TUE Committee and a TUE certificate if the application is approved.

The deadline to submit a TUE application for this event is the **18th of September 2026**.

For more information regarding the TUE application, please visit the IFMA website:
<https://muaythai.sport/tues/>

The TUE application form can be found there.





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Results Management

In the case of an Anti-Doping Rule Violation, IFMA is responsible for the initial results management process and taking the decision of imposing any sanction relating to the 2026 European Championships, such as disqualification. IFMA has delegated the results management for all In Competition Testing to the International Testing Authority (ITA) to manage the imposition of sanctions over and above those relating to the 2026 European Championships, such as period of ineligibility.

Clean Sport Education Programme:

We would further like to inform you that as part of the IFMA Anti-Doping education plan for our members, it is MANDATORY for all Athletes, Coaches, and Athlete Support Personnel wishing to attend the 2026 European Championships to have completed the relevant WADA ADEL Courses.

All Athletes competing in the European Championship **from 11-15 years of age**, must have completed the "ADEL for Youth Athletes" prior to participation, upon creation of their own account on the WADA's ADEL platform:

<https://adel.wada-ama.org/learn/courses/1254/adel-for-youth-athletes>

All Athletes competing in the European Championship **from 16 years of age and up**, must have completed the "International-Level Athletes Education Program" prior to participation, upon creation of their own account on the WADA's ADEL platform:

https://adel.wada-ama.org/learn/public/learning_plan/view/1/international-level-athleteseducationprogram_english

All registered NF Coaches & NF Head Coaches participating in the European Championships must have completed the "High Performance Coaches' Education Program" on the ADEL platform prior to taking part in the Championship:

https://adel.wada-ama.org/learn/public/learning_plan/view/7/high-performance-coacheseducationprogram_english

All registered Team Doctors must have completed the "Medical Professional's Education Program" on the ADEL platform prior to serve in the Championship:

https://adel.wada-ama.org/learn/public/learning_plan/view/13/medical-professionalseducationprogram-english

We encourage all federations to ensure that all their athletes, coaches and medical personnel use the time now to register and complete the courses before your team administrator must start registration of the delegation on the ifmalive.com platform. They will be able to upload the Certificate of Completion of the abovementioned participant types on the form. The certification is valid for 2 years.

IFMA Development & Education Programme:

In line with IFMA's commitment to upholding the highest standards of officiating and coaching, all Coaches and Referees & Judges (RJs) participating in this event are required to adhere to the following educational requirements:

Obligatory IFMA-OSM Level 1 Certification for Coaches

- As per IFMA regulations, all Coaches must hold an OSM Level 1 certification.
- Coaches who do not currently hold this certification must be registered for the OSM Level 1 certification course on the ifmalive.com platform during the event.





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- Compliance with this requirement ensures a smooth accreditation process and maintains IFMA's coaching standards.
- Failure to obtain the certification or register for the course during the event will result in a change to the individual's accreditation role. Coaches who do not meet the requirement will be re-designated as "Entourage", restricting their access to the Field of Play.

Technical Officials (RJs) – Course Registration Requirement

- All Technical Officials registered as Referees & Judges (RJs), regardless of experience level, must register for the appropriate RJ Course on the ifmalive.com platform.
- RJs must enrol in the course that corresponds to their current level and experience to ensure their continued professional development and compliance with IFMA standards.
- For experienced Technical Officials, the course is priced at a lower rate compared to the beginner-level course; however, attendance remains vital.
- Performance in the course will be a key factor in determining future promotions to the next level.

We appreciate your cooperation in ensuring that all Coaches and Technical Officials meet the necessary certification requirements.

ATTENTION:

Failure to comply will result in sanctions, which might include exclusion from participation to the Championship, withdrawal of results and fines to Federations.

