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Conducting Theater-Level Sporting Events and League Championships

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Summary. This regulation prescribes policy and procedures for conducting sports championships in the Army in Europe.

Summary of Change. This revision—

- Updates organizational names and office symbols.
- Authorizes the use of local national medical support for official events (para 4d(2)).
- Clarifies responsibility for paying officiating costs in the case of late cancellation (paras 4d(10) and 7h).
- Identifies and clarifies certification requirements for sports officials (para 4f).
- Clarifies restrictions on civilian personnel participation in unit team championships (para 5a).
- Authorizes United States Army garrisons with larger leagues to send two teams to theater-level championships (para 5a(4)).

Applicability. This regulation applies to active-duty Soldiers, DOD civilian employees, Family members of Soldiers and civilian employees, members of NATO Forces assigned to U.S. Army units, and contractors eligible to use U.S. facilities in the European theater.

Supplementation. Organizations will not supplement this regulation without approval of the Recreation Programs Branch, Family and Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Division, IMCOM-Europe.

Forms. This regulation prescribes AE Form 215-1-8A. AE and higher level forms are available through the Army in Europe Library & Publishing System (AEPUBS) at <https://aepubs.army.mil/>.

Suggested Improvements. The proponent of this regulation is the Recreation Programs Branch, Family and Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Division, IMCOM-Europe (DSN 496-5609). Users may suggest improvements to this regulation by sending DA Form 2028 to IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R), Unit 23103, APO AE 09136-3103.

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Glossary

1. PURPOSE

This regulation prescribes policy and procedures for conducting Army in Europe theater-level (Army in Europe and U.S. Forces Europe) and United States Army garrison (USAG)-level unit team, command team, and individual sports championships in the Army in Europe area of responsibility.

2. REFERENCES

a. Publications.

- (1) Joint Federal Travel Regulations, volume 1, Uniformed Service Members.
- (2) Joint Travel Regulations, volume 2, Department of Defense Civilian Personnel.
- (3) AR 215-1, Military Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Programs.
- (4) DA Pamphlet 385-10, Army Safety Program.
- (5) AE Regulation 215-9, Civilian Participation in Sports and Fitness Programs.

b. Forms.

- (1) DA Form 2028, Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms.
- (2) DA Form 4187, Personnel Action.
- (3) AE Form 215-1-8A, Official Team Roster for Army in Europe Sports Competition.

3. EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS AND TERMS

The glossary defines abbreviations and terms.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES

a. Recreation Programs Branch, Family and Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Division, IMCOM-Europe. A Recreation Programs Branch representative will—

- (1) Chair and host the Army in Europe Installation Physical Activities Council (IPAC) (b below).
- (2) Establish procedures for conducting championships.
- (3) Coordinate, monitor, help prepare, and help administer championships.
- (4) Provide technical information about championships.
- (5) Coordinate commercial sponsorship for scheduled championships if available.
- (6) Fund fees and travel costs of officials who are validated and selected to officiate championships.

(7) Provide awards as follows:

(a) First-, second-, and third-place team awards for all Army in Europe theater-level unit team or command team championships and the Unit Team Combat Cross-Country Championship.

(b) First-, second-, and third-place team awards for USAG-level unit team sports championships conducted throughout the year.

(c) First- and second-place individual awards for all Army in Europe theater-level championships, except for the Unit Team Combat Cross-Country Championship (app A, table A-6) and the 10-Miler (app A, table A-7).

(8) Act as the tournament director of theater-level championships when available.

(9) Publicize hosted championships using available media.

(10) Conduct or contract officiating clinics using national governing bodies as recommended sources.

(11) Maintain a list of validated, bona fide clinicians and websites. As required, the sports specialist at the IMCOM-Europe region level satellite recreation (RLSR) sports program office will validate local clinicians and websites as bona fide.

(12) Encourage USAG sports directors and facility staff members to attend clinics for officials as part of their annual training.

(13) Offer program-specific training for sports directors, sports programmers, and fitness personnel.

NOTE: Staff members of RLSR offices are also authorized to represent the Recreation Programs Branch with the same authority and responsibilities.

b. The IPAC. The IPAC consists of one voting representative from each USAG, one representative from the IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch who votes in case of a tie, and one representative from USAFE who votes only on issues involving USAFE. The IPAC will—

(1) Meet at least twice a year to recommend plans and schedule competitions for USAG-level championships.

(2) Solicit bids for hosting championships and select the host sites.

(3) Develop and distribute a calendar of competitions to USAGs by June of each year.

(4) Request suggestions for the agenda from USAG commanders and send a copy of the initial and final agendas to commanders before each meeting.

(5) When possible, take minutes at each meeting and send a copy of the minutes to each USAG commander for review and approval.

c. USAG Commanders. USAG commanders will—

(1) Meet with the USAG sports director before each IPAC meeting to identify items to suggest for the agenda and to provide command guidance for the IPAC agenda.

(2) Provide support and assistance to the IPAC and ensure that a USAG representative attends IPAC meetings.

(3) Provide funding and solicit commercial sponsorship to support theater-level championships hosted by the USAG.

(4) Provide the IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch with information about hosting championships by June of each year.

(5) Assign a USAG project officer for each hosted championship. Project officers will—

(a) Coordinate administrative details with all other host USAG organizations.

(b) Establish protest committees.

(c) Organize meetings of coaches and officials and a tournament draw if necessary.

(d) Select a tournament director to supervise championships.

NOTE: When present, a representative of the IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch will be responsible for carrying out the actions in (b) through (d) above.

(6) Publicize hosted championships using available media, arrange media coverage, and send a copy of the final championship results to the European Stars and Stripes newspaper, the Armed Forces Network, and USAG sport coordinators.

d. Hosting USAG Sports Directors. Hosting USAG sport directors will—

(1) Arrange for meals for competitors at military facilities.

(2) Arrange medical support according to official rules. USAGs are authorized to arrange for local-national medical support when on-base medical support is unavailable or insufficient. The Recreation Programs Branch will reimburse the USAG for those costs based on availability of funds and the USAG providing the proper documentation.

(3) Coordinate the administration of championships with the assigned project officer and provide administrative support, including the following:

(a) Clerical and duplicating support.

(b) Sufficient copies of the playoff brackets used at championship sites.

(c) Welcome packets for participants.

(4) Coordinate the opening and closing ceremonies with the USAG commander.

(5) Ensure that playing facilities are adequate, safe, prepared according to official rules and command modifications, and maintained during the championship.

(6) Provide game equipment, except for uniforms and personal equipment.

(7) Coordinate to provide billeting at no cost to competitors at the championship site when possible.

(8) Provide playing facilities and officials for all home USAG league games.

(9) Report all league-game results and any incidents to the IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch immediately after each game.

(10) Inform the opposing USAG team and the IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch of any cancellation or rescheduling of a league game at least 24 hours in advance. When a USAG fails to provide adequate notification of cancellation, the offending USAG will be responsible for the officiating costs associated with the event.

e. USAGs Hosting Garrison-Sponsored Open Events. USAGs may choose to offer and host an open sports championship in sports listed or not listed in this regulation. For sports listed in this regulation, any USAG-sponsored theater-level open championship would be in addition to any theater-level championships sponsored by the Army in Europe.

(1) USAGs that choose to offer and host a garrison-sponsored open sports championship will have full responsibility for the event. The USAG will pay for officials (event fees, travel, mileage), awards (team and individual), and personnel costs (such as overtime) associated with the event.

NOTE: The RLSR sports program staff will provide guidance and assistance to the host sports director in the selection and nomination of officials for the events.

(2) USAG sports directors must abide by the national governing body rules associated with an open event, including medical support when required.

(3) USAGs that choose to offer and host a garrison-sponsored open sports championship should notify the IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch in accordance with c(4) above.

f. Sports Officials. Sports officials are personally responsible for maintaining their certification.

(1) Sports officials must—

(a) Be recertified annually.

(b) Attend a sport-specific clinic every 2 years to renew their certification.

(2) Certification may be obtained from an IMCOM-Europe contracted clinic, from a local, bona fide clinician validated by the RLSR sports program specialist, or from an approved website.

5. ELIGIBILITY

a. Unit Team Championships.

(1) Participation in Army in Europe theater-level unit team championships is limited to active-duty personnel. Civilian participation in these championships is not authorized. USAGs that allow civilian participation during their regular season, tournaments, or both must inform the civilian participants of the participation policy before the Army in Europe theater-level championship is held.

(2) Active-duty Soldiers assigned or attached to their unit by official orders may take part in unit team championships. Personnel will not be reassigned to a unit solely to take part in unit team sports competitions.

NOTE: Official orders must have an order number and official signature. DA Form 4187 will not be accepted as proof of assignment, reassignment, or attachment. Official orders for personnel reassigned during the current sport season must be attached to the team roster.

(3) Composite teams made up of two or more units from the same USAG are eligible to take part in unit team championships. The combined total number of Soldiers in these units will not exceed 200. Exceptions may be approved by the IMCOM-Europe Sports Director. Composite teams will be selected before the start of league competitions. USAG sports directors will—

(a) Approve team selections.

(b) Maintain a file of team-roster records (for example, memorandum of approval, official unit personnel accountability report, team roster) from the beginning until the end of the sport season. If the team advances to the championship level, the USAG sports director will attach the memorandum of approval to the team roster (para 6) and send the roster for review to IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R), Unit 23103, APO AE 09136-3103, at least 3 workdays before the championship.

(4) USAGs that conduct unit team intramural competitions that include a league of six or more teams are authorized to send two teams to the Army in Europe theater-level championships.

(5) USAGs will send the names of their unit teams to the IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch at least 48 hours before the scheduled start time of the competition. At least 24 hours before the scheduled start, USAG sports directors will send the team rosters to the Recreation Programs Branch.

b. Command Team Championships. Active-duty members of any service, DOD civilian employees, Family members of active-duty members and civilian employees, U.S. contractors eligible to use U.S. facilities, and members of NATO Forces assigned to U.S. units in the European theater may take part as team members in U.S. Forces Europe theater-level command-team championships sponsored by the Army in Europe.

c. USAG-Level League Competitions and Unit Team Championships.

(1) When conducting leagues, USAGs must send a memorandum of intent to IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R), Unit 23103, APO AE 09136-3103, by 30 days before the start of the league.

(2) Active-duty Soldiers, DOD civilian employees, Family members of Soldiers and civilian employees, U.S. contractors eligible to use U.S. facilities, and members of NATO Forces assigned to U.S. Army units in the European theater may take part in USAG-level league competitions.

(3) Personnel who take part in a USAG-level league competition must live in or be assigned or attached to a unit or organization located in the USAG area of responsibility. Personnel who are reassigned during the sport season may complete the sport season with their new USAG's league or continue to play with the team for which they started the sport season. Reassigned personnel will state their intentions in a memorandum and send copies to the sports directors of the USAGs involved and to IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R), Unit 23103, APO AE 09136-3103.

d. Individual Sports Championships. Active-duty Soldiers, DOD civilian employees, Family members of Soldiers and civilian employees, and U.S. contractors eligible to use U.S. facilities may take part in individual sports championships, regardless of where they are assigned. NATO Soldiers assigned to a unit in a USAG's area of responsibility may also take part.

NOTE: Civilian employees may not compete against U.S. Soldiers in contact sports, including boxing, combatives, ice hockey, judo, rugby, tackle football, tae kwon do, touch football, and wrestling.

e. Interservice Participation. Active-duty military personnel may take part in any level-1 program ((1) below) and one armed service's level-2 program ((2) below) at the USAG where they receive logistic support. Individuals may not take part in a different armed service's level-2 program in the same sport during the same sport year (glossary).

(1) Level-1 Programs. This level includes USAG-level (U.S. Army) and squadron-level (U.S. Air Force) intramural and recreational leagues or championships in the European theater.

(2) Level-2 Programs. This level includes any armed service's theater-level championships (any service's U.S. Forces Europe championship, USAFE small-unit and large-unit championships, and Army in Europe championships).

6. TEAM ROSTERS

The only authorized form for a team roster is AE Form 215-1-8A.

a. The USAG community recreation division (CRD) chief will sign the roster to verify USAG participation in the tournament by the listed team.

b. The USAG sports director will then verify the eligibility of each team member, ensure the members are listed correctly, and sign the team roster.

c. The USAG CRD or sports director will send a copy of the verified roster by e-mail or fax to the IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch (DSN 496-5609, fax 496-5607, civilian fax 06302-67-5607) at least 3 workdays before the event. The Recreation Programs Branch will verify the roster and send a copy to the host USAG before the event.

d. Rosters that have not been signed and verified are not valid and will not be accepted by the tournament director. Teams reporting with invalid rosters will be required to obtain one before their first game. Teams are not allowed to compete until the tournament director receives a valid roster. A roster may be changed at the site of a championship only when coordinated with the tournament director.

7. PROCEDURES

a. Tournament Procedures. The IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch administers the following tournament procedures:

(1) **Theater-Level Unit Team Competitions.** Procedures for conducting unit team competitions will follow the guidelines presented in paragraph 5a and appendix A, tables A-1 through A-15. USAGs are limited to one entry per USAG unless paragraph 5a(4) applies, otherwise identified in the tables in appendix A, or otherwise specified in the memorandum of instruction.

(2) **Theater-Level Command Team Competitions.** Procedures for conducting command team competitions will follow the guidelines presented in appendix A, tables A-1 through A-15. USAGs are limited to one entry per USAG unless otherwise identified in the tables in appendix A or otherwise specified in the memorandum of instruction pertaining to the championship.

(3) **USAG-Level Unit Team Competitions.** Procedures for conducting USAG-level competitions should follow the theater-level unit team competition guidelines as closely as possible.

b. Ineligible Teams and Players.

(1) If the tournament director declares a team to be ineligible during a competition, the ineligible team will forfeit the game or the previously played contest. Ineligible teams will be disqualified for the remainder of the competition.

(2) If a team is declared ineligible after the competition, the team will be displaced from standings, lose its title, and return its awards. The next highest team will then advance in order.

(3) Ineligible players and head coaches of ineligible players will be barred from all sports competitions in the European theater for 1 year.

c. Suspending Players. Players ejected from a championship game for fighting will be suspended for the entire championship. Head coaches will not replace suspended players on the team and will not allow suspended players in the team bench area during games. The IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch may impose penalties for player misconduct at U.S. Forces Europe and Army in Europe theater-level competitions.

d. Protests. Protests will be settled in accordance with the governing rules of the particular sport, unless a player is declared ineligible after the championship.

e. Alcohol and Other Drugs. Participants will not consume alcoholic beverages before or during a scheduled sporting event. Individuals under the influence of alcohol or other drugs will not be allowed to take part in the event. Participants will not use any drugs or medication designed to improve physical performance. Violators of this policy will be ineligible to take part in the remainder of the scheduled championship and may be banned from participating in other sporting events for up to 1 year. The unit commander or first sergeant will be notified of the incident and penalty.

f. Selecting Officials.

(1) The IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch will select officials qualified for all Army in Europe and U.S. Forces Europe theater-level championships based on the following:

- (a) Available funds.
- (b) Championship requirements.
- (c) The individual's current certification.
- (d) The time it takes to process local contracts.

(2) Each USAG sports coordinator may recommend at least two officials for theater-level championships.

g. Officiating Fees. The IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch will ensure that selected officials are aware of their pay entitlements before a championship starts.

(1) Regardless of the funding source, officiating fees for a championship will be according to the current standardized fee schedule for officiating sports. The IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch issues this schedule annually by memorandum.

(2) Payment for travel by privately owned vehicle or train is authorized according to the current rate per mile published in the Joint Federal Travel Regulations (JFTR), volume 1, for uniformed service members, and the Joint Travel Regulations (JTR), volume 2, for DOD civilian personnel.

(3) Payment for lodging expenses is authorized in accordance with the JFTR and the JTR. Payment of lodging expenses is not authorized if no-cost lodging is available. Payment will not exceed the amount authorized for the particular area according to the JFTR and the JTR.

(4) Officials must provide receipts for reimbursable expenses with their claim.

h. Canceling and Rescheduling.

(1) The host USAG must have the approval of the IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch at least 3 workdays in advance to cancel or reschedule an Army in Europe-sponsored theater-level championship.

(2) The host of a garrison-sponsored open event must notify the IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch at least 3 workdays in advance to cancel or reschedule an open championship.

(3) Host USAGs must notify opposing USAG teams and officials at least 24 hours in advance or the host USAG will be responsible for the officiating costs associated with the event.

**APPENDIX A
ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Tables A-1 through A-15 provide information about annual championships. The glossary explains abbreviations used in the tables.

Table A-1 U.S. Forces Europe and Army in Europe Unit Team Basketball Championships		
	U.S. Forces Europe	Army in Europe Unit Team
Length	4 days or as needed.	4 days or as needed.
Entries	Men and Women: One command team per garrison. Minimum: Six teams.	Men (With Women): One unit team per garrison. Two unit teams if the garrison conducted an intramural league with six or more teams. Minimum: Six teams
Format	Pool play followed by an elimination bracket.	Pool play followed by an elimination bracket.
Roster Size	Men and Women: 12 players, 1 noncompeting head coach, and 1 noncompeting assistant coach or manager.	Men (With Women): 12 players, 1 noncompeting head coach, and 1 noncompeting assistant coach or manager. Teams may be corecreational.
Rules	National Collegiate Athletic Association rules apply.	National Collegiate Athletic Association rules apply.
Special Notes	Game format may be modified by tournament director at any time. Shot-clock will be used. Men's and women's rules will apply to the men's and women's championships respectively. The home team for each game will be the team at the top half of each bracket or the host team for league play. Games will be scheduled based on the number of entries and time available.	Games will be played in two 12-minute-halves (running-clock) with a 3-minute halftime. Regulation clock during the last 1 minute. Each overtime will last 2 minutes, regulation clock. Shot-clock may be used. Tournament director makes the decision. Mens rules will apply. (Teams may be corecreational.) The home team for each game will be the team at the top half of each bracket. Games will be scheduled based on the number of entries and time available.

Table A-2	
U.S. Forces Europe Soccer Championship	
Length	4 days or as needed
Entries	All garrisons and bases are authorized to enter one team. Minimum: Six teams. Minimum must be received at least 3 days before event.
Format	Pool play, followed by top teams in a single elimination bracket.
Roster Size	18 players, 1 noncompeting head coach, and 1 noncompeting assistant coach or manager.
Rules	<i>Federation International de Football Association (FIFA)</i> rules apply.
Special Notes	Each team will be allowed unlimited substitutions per game with reentry. Players who receive two yellow cards in a game will receive a yellow-red card that ejects them from that game. Players who receive a red card will be ejected from the game and will not be eligible to compete in the next game.

Table A-3		
U.S. Forces Europe and Army in Europe Unit Team Softball Championships		
	U.S. Forces Europe	Army in Europe Unit Team
Length	4 days or as needed.	4 days or as needed.
Entries	Men and Women: One command team per garrison or base. Minimum: Six teams.	Men and Women: One unit team per garrison. Two unit teams if the garrison conducts a league with six or more teams. Minimum: Six teams.
Format	Pool play followed by top teams in an elimination bracket.	Pool play followed by top teams in an elimination bracket.
Roster Size	Men and women: 18 players, 1 noncompeting head coach, and 1 noncompeting assistant coach or manager.	Men and women: 18 players, 1 noncompeting head coach, and 1 noncompeting assistant coach or manager.
Rules	Amateur Softball Association and United States of America Softball rules apply.	Amateur Softball Association and United States of America Softball rules apply.
Special Notes	<p>A coin-toss will determine the home team throughout the competitions, except for the championship game. The home team for the championship and “if” games will be the team at the top half of the bracket. In league play, the host site is home team for the first game, and then rotates for the second game.</p> <p><u>Army in Europe:</u> Pool-play games will be five innings or 45 minutes. The “run ahead rule” applies to pool-play games. Elimination-bracket games will be 60 minutes. Championship games will be seven innings with no time limit and no “run ahead rule.”</p> <p><u>U.S. Forces, Europe:</u> League and championship games will be 60 minutes. Championship games will be seven innings with no time limit and no “run ahead rule.”</p> <p>U.S. Forces Europe men play by class A rules. U.S. Forces Europe women play by class D modified rules. Army in Europe games play by class D rules. Core .44 softballs will be used.</p>	

Table A-4		
U.S. Forces Europe and Army in Europe Unit Team Volleyball Championships		
	U.S. Forces Europe	Army in Europe Unit Team
Length	4 days or as needed.	3 days or as needed.
Entries	Men and Women: One command team per garrison. (A corecreational championship may be offered at the discretion of IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R).) Minimum: Six teams.	Men and Women: One unit team per garrison. Two unit teams if the garrison conducted an intramural league with six or more teams. Minimum: Six teams.
Format	Pool play followed by top teams in an elimination bracket.	Pool play followed by top teams in an elimination bracket.
Roster Size	12 players, 1 noncompeting head coach, and 1 noncompeting assistant coach or manager.	12 players, 1 noncompeting head coach, and 1 noncompeting assistant coach or manager.
Rules	United States Volleyball rules apply.	United States Volleyball rules apply.
Special Notes	The 12-substitution rule will be used. Match format will be the best two of three games for the entire event. The tournament director together with the coaches may alter the championship match format. Memorandum of instruction criteria will be used to break a tie in the pool standings.	The 12-substitution rule will be used. Match format will be the best two of three games for the entire event. The tournament director together with the coaches may alter the championship match format. Pool-play tie-breaking criteria are the same as for U.S. Forces Europe.

Table A-5		
U.S. Forces Europe and Army in Europe Unit Team Flag Football Championships		
	U.S. Forces Europe (not currently offered)	Army in Europe Unit Team
Length	3 days or as needed.	4 days or as needed.
Entries	One command team per garrison. Minimum: Six teams. Minimum must be received at least 3 days before event.	One unit team per garrison. Two unit teams if the garrison conducted an intramural league with six or more teams. Minimum: Six teams.
Format	Pool play followed by top teams in an elimination bracket.	Pool play followed by top teams in an elimination bracket.
Roster Size	14 players, 1 noncompeting head coach, and 1 noncompeting assistant coach or manager.	14 players, 1 noncompeting head coach, and 1 noncompeting assistant coach or manager.
Rules	National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association rules apply.	National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association rules apply.
Special Notes	A coin-toss will determine the home team throughout the competitions, except for the championship game. The home team for the championship and “if” games will be the team at the top half of the bracket. In league play, the host site is home team for the first game, and then rotates for the second game. Minimum players required: Five per team at start time.	

Table A-6 Army in Europe Unit Team Combat Cross-Country Championship	
Length	1 day (annual competition will be conducted on the weekend).
Entries	Unlimited. Minimum: 20 teams. Minimum must be received at least 2 days before event.
Format	As prescribed in the IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R) memorandum of instruction.
Roster Size	No less than five and no more than seven active-duty Soldiers per team.
Special Notes	<p>Top five finishers on each team will be counted toward team points.</p> <p>The number of finish places will be used to determine team standings.</p> <p>Participating teams must provide their own equipment. Equipment must include an M16A2 rifle, M4 carbine, or dummy rubber rifle; Army combat uniform (ACU); canteen; combat boots; first-aid pouch; load-bearing equipment (web gear with pistol belt); vest; soft cap; and two empty ammunition pouches.</p> <p>The course distance must be between 5 and 8 kilometers.</p> <p><u>Awards:</u> Team: 1st through 3d place team trophies. Individual awards for members of 1st through 3d place teams (for up to seven members per team). Individual award for 1st place individual finish (male and female).</p>

Table A-7 U.S. Forces Europe and Army in Europe 10-Miler	
Length	Annual competition will be scheduled for 1 day.
Entries	Unlimited. Minimum: 50 individuals.
Format	Simultaneous start.
Age Categories	<p>Age categories will be determined by the Recreation Programs Branch sports staff.</p> <p>Categories will mirror the U.S. Army 10-miler categories as closely as possible.</p> <p>The age-determination date will be the day of competition.</p>
Rules	United States of America Track and Field rules apply.
Special Notes	<p>The course must be 10 miles.</p> <p>The event will be used as a qualifier for the selection of the Army in Europe team for the U.S. Army 10-Miler.</p> <p><u>Awards:</u> Team: 1st through 3d place team trophies. Individual awards for 1st through 3d place teams (for up to seven members per team). Individual awards for 1st through 5th place individuals in each category.</p>

Table A-8 U.S. Forces Europe Racquetball Championship	
Length	2 days.
Entries	Unlimited.
Format	Based on participation numbers, either double-elimination bracket or single elimination with a consolation bracket, as determined by the tournament director.
Age Categories	<p>Men: 34 years and younger (open), 35 through 39 years (senior), 40 years and older (master).</p> <p>Women: 29 years and younger (open), 30 years and older (senior).</p> <p>The age-determination date will be the first day of competition.</p> <p>The host site may add categories.</p>
Rules	United States Racquetball Association rules apply.
Special Notes	<p>Individual player qualifications will be the basis for bracket placement.</p> <p>The loser of the previous match will officiate the next scheduled match.</p> <p>Neutral officials will officiate the finals of the winner and loser brackets.</p>

Table A-9 U.S. Forces Europe Tennis Championship	
Length	3 days.
Entries	Minimum: 25 individuals.
Format	Single elimination (Tournament directors may modify the format if conditions warrant.)
Roster Size	Not applicable.
Age Categories	<p>Men: 39 years and younger (open), 40 years and older (senior).</p> <p>Women: 29 years and younger (open), 30 years and older (senior).</p> <p>The age-determination date will be the first day of competition.</p> <p>The host site may add categories.</p>
Rules	United States Tennis Association rules apply.
Special Notes	<p>Matches will consist of the best two of three games.</p> <p>Player qualifications will be the basis for bracket placement.</p>

Table A-10	
U.S. Forces Europe Powerlifting Championship	
Length	Annual competition will be scheduled for 1 day.
Entries	Unlimited. Minimum: 20 individuals. Minimum must be received at least 3 days before event.
Format	Round system.
Roster Size	Not applicable.
Weight Classes	According to United States Powerlifting Federation rules: Men: Up to 52 kg (114.5 lb), up to 56 kg (123.5 lb), up to 60 kg (132.25 lb), up to 67.5 kg (148.5 lb), up to 75 kg (165.25 lb), up to 82.5 kg (181.5 lb), up to 90 kg (198.25 lb), up to 100 kg (220.25 lb), up to 110 kg (242.5 lb), up to 125 kg (275.5 lb), over 125 kg (275.5 lb). Women: Up to 44 kg (97 lb), up to 48 kg (105.75 lb), up to 52 kg (114.5 lb), up to 56 kg (123.5 lb), up to 60 kg (132.25 lb), up to 67.5 kg (148.5 lb), up to 75 kg (165.25 lb), up to 82.5 kg (181.5 lb), up to 90 kg (198.25 lb), over 90 kg (198.25 lb).
Rules	United States Powerlifting Federation rules apply.
Special Notes	As prescribed in the IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R) memorandum of instruction.

Table A-11	
U.S. Forces Europe Boxing Championship	
Length	4 days or as needed.
Entries	Men and Women: Unlimited. Minimum: 20 individuals. Minimum must be received at least 3 days before event.
Format	Single elimination.
Roster Size	Not applicable.
Draw	There will be no more than two seeded boxers per weight class. Boxers will be seeded based on the highest championship won during the past 2 years in their current weight class. A step-by-step summary of the boxing draw follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boxers who have won major championships will be seeded. • Boxers ranked number one will be distributed among brackets by their garrison or service branch. • Remaining boxers also will be distributed among brackets by their garrison or service branch. • Boxers ranked number one will draw for bracket placement. Byes will be given in descending order from top to bottom of the bracket. Boxers ranked number two will draw for bracket placement.
Weight Classes	Weight classes of United States Amateur Boxing apply. Contestants may not compete in a weight class unless both of the following apply: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They weigh more than the maximum limit for the class directly below the class in which they want to compete. • They weigh less than the maximum limit for the class in which they want to compete.
Rules	United States Amateur Boxing rules apply.
Special Notes	As prescribed in the IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R) memorandum of instruction.

Table A-12	
U.S. Forces Europe Wrestling Championship (Freestyle and Greco-Roman)	
Length	2 days.
Entries	Men and Women: Unlimited. Minimum: 20 individuals. Minimum must be received at least 3 days before event.
Format	As prescribed in the IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R) memorandum of instruction.
Roster Size	Not applicable.
Weight Classes	According to International United States of America Wrestling rules: 54 kg (119 lb), 58 kg (127.86 lb), 63 kg (138.88 lb), 69 kg (152.11 lb), 76 kg (167.54 lb), 85 kg (187.39 lb), 97 kg (213.84 lb), 130 kg (275.57 lb).
Rules	International United States of America Wrestling rules will apply. The pairings format will be used.
Special Notes	Tournament format will be Greco-Roman on day one followed by freestyle on day two. Weigh-ins are mandatory on both days. Women will wrestle only freestyle. Competition may be reduced to 1 day based on number of entries.

Table A-13	
U.S. Forces Europe Mountain Bike Championship Series	
Length	1 day per race event.
Entries	Unlimited.
Format	Five or more race events in the series.
Roster Size	Not applicable.
Age Categories	Active Duty: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men: 18 through 29 (open), 30 through 39 (senior), 40 through 49 (master), 50 and above (golden). • Women: 18 through 32 (open), 33 through 45 (senior), 46 and above (master). Civilians, Family Members, and Other ID Cardholders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men: 18 through 29 (open), 30 through 39 (senior), 40 through 49 (master), 50 and above (golden). • Women: 18 through 32 (open), 33 through 45 (senior), 46 and above (master). Age categories for each series may be adjusted (that is, reduced categories or expanded age ranges) based on statistics showing the ages of past participants. Local race categories may differ from series definitions, but race results must be transferred to and sent to IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R) in the above published series definitions.
Rules	As prescribed in the annual IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R) memorandum of instruction.
Special Notes	As prescribed in the IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R) memorandum of instruction.

Table A-14																	
U.S. Forces Europe Ski and Snowboard Championship*																	
Length	2 days per race event (1 day for giant slalom activities and 1 day for slalom activity).																
Entries	Unlimited.																
Format	If two or more events are scheduled, the championship will become a series.																
Roster Size	Not applicable.																
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Rules	As prescribed in the annual IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R) memorandum of instruction in conjunction with the International Skiing Federation rule book.																
Special Notes	<p>*Exclusively a garrison-sponsored open event. Not routinely programmed.</p> <p>NOTE: Army in Europe open events are offered only when a USAG volunteers to host the event. The host USAG is then responsible for all costs associated with the event (basic reg, para 4e).</p> <p>Each offering location will offer three races: snowboard giant slalom, ski giant slalom, and ski slalom. To the greatest extent possible, course designs and race operations will correspond with International Skiing Federation guidelines. Combined times of two course runs will be the basis for determining the final placement of competitors.</p> <p>Competitors will score the following points toward placement in any series based on their participation and placement in each race:</p> <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>1st:</td> <td>50 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2d:</td> <td>40 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3d:</td> <td>30 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4th:</td> <td>25 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5th:</td> <td>20 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6th:</td> <td>19 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7th:</td> <td>18 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8th through 24th:</td> <td>1 point</td> </tr> </table> <p>Bonus participation points may be awarded (one point for crossing the start gate and one point for successfully completing the race) and added to the final placement points above.</p>	1st:	50 points	2d:	40 points	3d:	30 points	4th:	25 points	5th:	20 points	6th:	19 points	7th:	18 points	8th through 24th:	1 point
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Table A-15	
U.S. Forces Europe Track and Field Championships	
(not currently offered)	
Length	1 or 2 days, depending on preregistration.
Entries	Unlimited.
Format	As prescribed in the IMCOM-Europe (IMEU-MWD-R) memorandum of instruction.
Roster Size	Not applicable.
Age Categories	Men: 34 years and younger (open), 35 years and older (master) Women: Any age. The age-determination date will be the first day of competition.
Rules	United States of America Track and Field rules apply.
Special Notes	Participants may enter a maximum of three individual events plus relays.

GLOSSARY

SECTION I ABBREVIATIONS

AE	Army in Europe
AEPUBS	Army in Europe Library & Publishing System
CRD	community recreation division
DOD	Department of Defense
IMCOM-Europe	United States Army Installation Management Command, Europe Region
ID	identification
IPAC	Installation Physical Activities Council
JFTR	Joint Federal Travel Regulations
JTR	Joint Travel Regulations
kg	kilogram
lb	pound
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
RLSR	region level satellite recreation
SSN	social security number
U.S.	United States
USAFE	United States Air Forces in Europe
USAG	United States Army garrison
USAREUR	United States Army Europe

SECTION II TERMS

Army in Europe championship

A category of competition or championship organized by the Army in Europe with participation restricted to eligible unit teams, team members, and individuals who are assigned to or affiliated with Army in Europe units (basic reg, para 5).

bracket

An organized hierarchy or structure for a playoff competition leading to a championship game or match. The structure is determined before identification of individuals or teams. The individuals or teams are then assigned randomly, by historical ranking, or a mixture to specific starting positions in the bracket.

command team

A group or team that is a composite organization (commonly called an all-star team) brought together to represent its respective garrison or higher level command in a championship. Appendix A provides specific information about command team sports championships for the sports year.

corecreational

A type of league, competition, or tournament that is open to mixed gender (male and female) participation as individuals or team members.

elimination bracket

A type of playoff format in which the loser of a game or match is removed from further competition. Elimination brackets may be single-elimination, double-elimination, or single-elimination with consolation-bracket format.

Installation Physical Activities Council

The Army in Europe representative group responsible for planning and scheduling garrison and higher level championships (basic reg, para 4b).

Pool play

A type of competition where entrants are organized in groups of teams. Each group member must play all other group members one time. The results determine team rankings in the group or pool. The top teams in each pool then advance to an elimination bracket or playoffs leading to a final championship match or game.

region-level satellite recreation (RLSR) office

An IMCOM-Europe office separate from but subordinate to the IMCOM-Europe Recreation Programs Branch that has been delegated responsibility for a specific function of recreation support or a specific geographic area of responsibility within the IMCOM-Europe area of responsibility (for example, the RLSR sports program office is responsible for training and certification of officials).

sport season

A period of time during the year, specific to each sport, in which that sport is normally offered for league competition, championship competition, or both.

sport year

1 October through 30 September of the following year.

theater-level

A category of competition or championship organized by the Army in Europe and geographically open for competition by eligible entrants throughout the Army in Europe area of responsibility.

unit team

A group or team that represents a particular unit or organization. All team members should belong to or be affiliated with that unit or composite units. Generally for sports competition, a unit should not be larger than 200 personnel (basic reg, para 5a(3)). Appendix A provides specific information about unit team sports championships for the sports year.

United States Army garrison-level

A category of league, competition, or championship organized by a United States Army garrison and open for team or individual competition by eligible entrants from their tenant and subordinate units or organizations.

U.S. Forces Europe championship

A category of competition or championship organized by the Army in Europe and open to participation by eligible teams, team members, or individuals of all military services (not restricted solely to U.S. Army personnel or teams).