

**EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS
DIVISION 3**

25 - 28 APRIL 2018

RIGA, LATVIA



**European Team Championships – Division 3
Wednesday 25 – Saturday 28 April 2018
Riga, Latvia**

On behalf of the European Squash Federation (ESF) and the Latvian Squash Federation, we are very pleased to invite your players to participate in the European Team Championships – Division 3.

Detailed regulations for these Championships are referred to throughout this document and may be found on the ESF website at www.europeansquash.com/page/25680/Regulations.

TIMETABLE

DEADLINES	DATES
Online entry opens on ESF website	1 January 2018
Closing date for entries (Regulation A2)	31 January 2018
Payment of entry fee and event package to ESF (Regulation A1)	10 February 2018
Notification of accommodation requirements to Host	26 February 2018
Payment of hotel/food package fee to host (Regulation A1)	26 March 2018
Provide travel details to Host	26 March 2018
Squad orders to be submitted in order of strength to ESF Office (Regulation D1)	26 March 2018
Publication of seeding and draw information by ESF (Regulation S6)	4 April 2018
Final changes to squad order to be submitted to ESF (Regulation D7)	16 April 2018
Publication of squad orders (Regulation D7)	18 April 2018
Objections to player eligibility / playing order to be submitted (Regulation D7)	20 April 2018
Arrival date	Tues 24 April 2018
Managers' meeting (Bellevue Park Hotel Riga)	9pm Tues 24 April 2018
Start date	Weds 25 April 2018
Finals date	Sat 28 April 2018
Departure date	Sun 29 April 2018



CONTACT DETAILS**Organisers**

Latvian Squash federation
Telephone: **+371-26-541-532**
Email: info@squash.lv
Championship website: www.etc3latvia.lv.

Venue

The Championships will be held at: Pepsi Centrs (Pepsi Center).

Championship Adjudicating Panel (CAP)

ESF Technical Delegate	Barry Brindle (Chairman)
Championship Director	Raivis Lucijanovs
Championship Referee	Aleksandrs Pavulans

ENTRY TERMS & CONDITIONS**Please note:**

Any entries not received by or on the closing date (31 January 2018) will not be accepted.
Any entry and event package payments not received by or on 10 February 2018 will result in the entry being cancelled.
Any outstanding membership or championship invoices as of 10 February 2018 will result in the entry being cancelled.

How to enter

Only entries from ESF member nations will be accepted. Please complete the entry form online at <http://esf.tournamentsoftware.com> between 1 January 2018 and 31 January 2018.

Travel, squad order and hotel information can be completed on the Latvian Squash Association website at www.etc3latvia.lv and the hotel form must be submitted by 26 February 2018 and the squad order form/travel form by 26 March 2018.

Closing date

The closing date for Entries is 31 January 2018.

Payment of entry fee and event package

This must be paid to ESF in Euros using the bank details below. Please instruct your bank that you are paying all bank charges.

- Entry fee – men's team: €299
- Entry fee – women's team: €246
- €175 - event package per person



ESF Bank details:

Salzburger Sparkasse Bank AG, Marktplatz 2, 5580 Tamsweg, Austria
Account number: 0040719288
SWIFT/IBAN BIC: SBGSAT2SXXX
IBAN:AT062040400040719288

SPIN

All players must have an active, paid-for SPIN (Squash Personal Identification Number) to participate. This can be obtained at www.worldsquash.org/spin.

Coaches

All team or individual player coaches designated by their nation as part of their event onsite management team (solely, or in attendance with an appointed team manager) at any Championship held under the auspices of ESF must be WSF Registered i.e. have a WSF Squash Personal Identification Number (SPIN), as their licence to attend in a formal representative role. This is required at the time of them being registered to attend by their national federation.

Withdrawals

In the event of a withdrawal from the Championships, after the closing date, penalty fees additional to the entry fee will apply in accordance with Regulations Section A.

EVENT PACKAGE

Please refer to Section Y in the Regulations for detailed explanation.

Payment of entry fee plus the event package cost per person is a mandatory payment within 10 days of the entry deadline to ESF.

If you wish to have the optional hotel/food package, please make the relevant additional payment (see below) to the host.

Entry fee plus Event Package

Entry fee Men – per team €299 and Women – per team €246.
The price of the event package is: €175 per person.

Optional Hotel/food Package

The price of the package for 5 nights is: €340 per person (Includes Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner)

Single room package for 5 nights is: €570.

Extra night (bed&breakfast, per person, twin room): €60/night.

Extra night single room supplement: €46/ night.



Payment of Hotel/food Package

Payment of hotel/food package to host must be made by 26 March 2018.

Currency: EUR

Account Bank Name: AS Swedbank

Bank address: Balasta dambis 15, Riga, LV-1048, Latvia

Account Holder: Latvian Squash federation

SWIFT: HABALV22

IBAN: LV03HABA0551016849542

CHAMPIONSHIPS HOTEL

Hotel: Bellevue Park Hotel Riga

Website: https://www.hotelbellevue.lv/en/hotel_services

The four star Superior category Bellevue Park Hotel Riga is proud of its excellent service and individual approach to all guests and corporate partners. Over the past few years, the Bellevue Park Hotel has been specially refurbished and upgraded to satisfy the most demanding needs and expectations of both business and leisure travelers alike. One of the Bellevue Park Hotels main assets is its convenient location within walking distance from Riga's Old Town and across from the picturesque Victory Park. Guests of the Bellevue Park Hotel Riga will also appreciate its easy access to both the Riga Airport (with a hotel shuttle bus available on request) and the city center. An ideal tramway connection will bring you straight to a number of prominent city destinations. The hotel provides FREE parking with plentiful space for both tourist groups arriving by bus and individual guests coming by car. The Bellevue Park Hotel Riga offers 222 rooms of different categories, the widest range of services and ample possibilities to organize conferences, congresses, business meetings, banquets and celebrations.

TRANSPORT

The organisers will provide transport between designated arrival/departure points and the hotel (Regulations Section F5). The designated arrival/departure points are:

1. Riga International airport: <http://www.riga-airport.com/en/main/main>
2. Riga International Bus terminal: <http://www.autoosta.lv/about-company-2/?lang=en>



ELIGIBILITY

Player eligibility for the Championships is shown in Regulations - Section B2.

SEEDING AND DRAWS

The seeding and draw will be carried out by the Seeding Panel under the direction of the Technical Delegate and in accordance with Section S6 of the Championships Regulations.

Member nations have no right of appeal against seeding or draws.

PRACTICE COURTS

Practice facilities will be provided at no cost by the organiser and will be available at the venue starting the day before the Championships (Regulations – Section F6).

REFEREES

Qualified referees will be provided in accordance with ESF Referee Committee procedures relating to the specific Championships and Regulations - Section F9.

SCORING

PAR 11 scoring will be used (to 2 clear points).

SQUASH BALLS

The Dunlop PRO XX ball will be used.

CHAMPIONSHIPS OFFICE

The main Championships Office will be located behind court 4 next to the squash shop and will be open from one hour before start of play every day of the Championships.



DOPE TESTING

The ESF and the hosts reserve the right to implement compulsory dope testing for any player participating in the Championships. Dope testing may be carried out in line with the doping regulations published by the WSF. Member nations are responsible for informing all their participants (including managers, coaches and physiotherapists) about the latest WSF policy on doping; and must impose the standard WSF suspension from all forms of competitive squash upon a player who has used banned substances or practices.

INSURANCE AND RISKS

Players enter and play in the Championships at their own risk. Neither the ESF, the Host Association, the Host Club nor the Organisers will accept any responsibility for injury or other damages arising from participation in the Championships. ESF recommends that all officials and participants have full travel, medical and possessions insurance when travelling to any Championships.

EYE PROTECTION

All junior players (under 19 years of age) must wear protective eyewear (manufactured to an approved national safety standard) properly over the eyes at all times during practice and match play. The list of WSF Certified Eyewear allowable at the time of participation can be viewed on the WSF website.

CLOTHING AND ADVERTISING

The ESF clothing and advertising regulations will be adhered to. In all matters of judgement or opinion arising from the interpretation of this clothing regulation, the decision of the Championships Referee shall be final (Regulations – Section P).

VISA PROCEDURES

Please note that visas may be required to enter Latvia. It is the responsibility of the member nation to ensure all players and officials have the appropriate documentation and that visas are applied for in good time before the Championships.

