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CHAPTER I – GENERAL DISPOSITIONS

Article 1. Objectives and Definitions

1. The EuroAmerica Padel Cup (EAPC) is a Match between a team representing the European Continent and a team representing the South and North American Continents.
2. South America and North America are considered one continent (America).
3. The goal of the EAPC is to strengthen the friendship bonds between the participating continents and countries, to contribute to the development of padel worldwide, by reinforcing sportsmanship, fair-play, and equality, not forgetting the competitive side with the participation of world quality players.
4. All matches will be played under the rules of the game approved by the ruling existing International Padel Federation
5. The rights of the EuroAmerica Padel Cup belong to the European Padel Association (EPA), which may share them with or sell them to a promoter for a negotiated fee. If such fee is negotiated, it shall be divided equally by all participating countries for the development of padel.
6. Every four years EPA will nominate one person from a country within South America and one person from a country within North America, to act together as the representatives of the Americas in all organization matters. It is up to these two representatives to nominate where the EuroAmerica Padel Cup is to be played when it is hosted in America, as well as agree and contract with a local promoter the organization of the EuroAmerica Padel Cup in their territory. If the representatives can't agree on any matters, it is up to EPA to listen to both and issue the deciding vote.
7. In the eventuality that South America forms a Continental Association recognized by the ruling existing International Padel Federation, and North America forms a Continental Association recognized by the ruling existing International Padel Federation, the rights of the EAPC will be evenly shared by the Americas and Europe, and new regulations shall be written to accommodate the new owning rights.

Article 2. Site, Date and Periodicity

1. The event should alternate between Europe and South/North America.
2. It will be played every two years, alternating with the World Team Championships:
3. The Event should be scheduled so it does not coincide with a week when a Professional Circuit tournament is being played.

Article 3. Conditions

1. All participating players (28), Team Captains (2), Coaches (2), Physios (2), Directors (4) and Referees (3) should have the following expenses paid for by the organization:
 - a) Flights from their countries to the country where the Cup takes place.
 - b) 4* Hotel with breakfast, from the night before the tournament starts till the morning after the day the event ends – Players will be paired in double-rooms
 - c) Meals from the evening before the day the event starts till the dinner on the closing day
 - d) Transportation from the Airport to the Hotel



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- e) Transportation from the Hotel to the Club and back
- f) Drinks and fruit throughout the matches
- g) Team Clothing for the official Teams, Captains, Coaches, Physios and Directors
2. The organization is responsible for arranging the Club where the event is to take place
3. The organization is responsible for providing all event referees
4. The organizer must guarantee the live-streaming of the event to the pages of the Continental Associations involved
5. The Organizer must pay a license fee to the continental associations involved which will be split evenly between Europe and North/South America.
6. The organizer must guarantee the event is played in a Site with at least 4 courts, of which at least two must have exterior play. The central court must have stands for at least 1.500 spectators.

Article 4. Technical Commission

1. The technical commission shall be formed by one member representing the European Continent, one member representing the North/South American continent, one member representing the ruling International Padel Federation, one member representing the local federation where the event is taking place, and one member representing the promoter.
2. The Technical Commission shall decide on all matters the referees cannot decide, and should act as an appeals committee for any issues that may arise.
3. Each member of the Technical Commission has one vote. Decisions are by simple majority and abstentions don't count.

CHAPTER II – TEAMS AND PLAYERS

Article 5. Requisites to Participate

1. A player can only represent a continent if he holds a passport of a country within that continent or of a country that is part of the continental association he is representing.

Article 6. Team Lineup Deadlines

1. All teams must be selected at least 6 weeks prior to the start of the event.
2. Entries Shall be sent by the Continental Associations, or in case they were not formed yet, by the elected Captain of such Team

Article 7. Team Captains

1. Each team must elect a Captain and such Captain will be the link between the Promoter and the Teams. Captains must provide a working email and cellular phone number.



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2. Before a Captain is elected the Continental Associations shall be the link between the Promoter and the teams- If there isn't one, the Teams from the continent they represent shall elect a representative until a Captain is elected – 1 vote per country.
3. The Captain's responsibilities are:
 - a) Represent their Teams in all matters with the organization and the opposing team.
 - b) Elect the Team constitution and order on each round
 - c) Let the players know the times at which the matches will take place.
 - d) Control the punctuality and sportsmanship of its players
 - e) Abide by and made its players abide by the Event Regulations.
 - f) Read and respond all emails sent by the Organization or the other team.
 - g) Captains may nominate other members of the Team as Captains if there is more than one match being played at the same time.

Article 8. Refereeing

1. The Referee team shall be responsible for all technical and disciplinary matters of the match.
2. Besides the Technical and disciplinary duties, the Referee team shall be responsible for:
 - a) Suspend or delay a match and set the times, and if necessary, change the place where the match is played if there are no conditions at the stipulated site.
 - b) Decide to suspend, terminate or cancel a match or matches, when necessary if the normal conditions change, and decide on the continuation or set a new date, or even if spectators are allowed on site.
 - c) Handle all matters that might influence the results of any match
 - d) Cancel matches and order its repetition if suitable
 - e) Everything that effects the matches within the court and surroundings.

Article 9. Constitution of the Teams

1. All Teams shall be formed by:
 - a. 14 Players
 - b. No country can have more than 3 national players be part of the team
 - c. There must be at least one player from at least 7 countries
 - d. Players of the same nationality cannot be paired together
 - e. All 14 players must play in at least one match
 - f. In each round of 6 Matches, 12 players will play
2. Each Delegation shall be formed by:
 - a. 14 Players
 - b. 1 Captain



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- c. 1 Coach
 - d. 1 Physio
 - e. 2 Directors
3. Delegations may include more people, but the promoter is only responsible for the expenses of the official Delegation.

CHAPTER III – FORMAT OF PLAY

Article 10. Competition

1. The Cup is disputed in 3 rounds of 6 matches for a total of 18 points
2. The team to first reach 9 points is the Winner of the Cup
3. In case of a Tie (9-9) at the end of 18 matches the winner should be declared, in order:
 - a. Team with most games one in the 18 matches (matches won in 3 sets, only the 3rd set counts)
 - b. Difference between games won and lost (matches won in 3 sets, only the 3rd set counts)
 - c. Team with most sets won
 - d. If a tie persists, one match shall be played between any two pairs (one from each team) chosen by the Captains. The match shall be played best of 3 sets but in case of a tie 1-1 a super tie-break should be played.

Article 11. Rounds

1. There will be 3 rounds of matches
2. Each round shall have 6 matches
3. Each Match is worth 1 point for the winner of the match and 0 points for the loser
4. 12 Players (6 pairs) will play in each round

Article 12. Presenting the Teams

1. Each Captain choses 12 players out of the 14 and pairs them in 6 pairs numbered 1 to 6 – attention to nº1 of Article 9
2. The number of each pair is the choice of the Captain and based on his strategy – not by points or any other method.
3. Sixty minutes before the set time for the 1st match to take place, both captains shall meet the Main Referee in the official Clubhouse, and hand over the line-up form to the Main Referee.



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4. Before announcing the Line-ups, the Main referee shall check if they are filled-out correctly. If a mistake or irregularity is found, the Main Referee shall return the incorrect form to the respective captain and have him fill it out correctly.
5. Once in possession of both correctly filled out forms, the Main Referee shall announce the pairings for the round.
6. On the 3rd round, when receiving the forms, the Main Referee must check and ensure that all 14 players of each team have played at least one match in the event. In case they haven't, the Main referee shall return the form to the Captain of the team which hasn't used all 14 players and have him change the form to include any player which hasn't played in any of the 2 previous rounds or is not included in the form of the 3rd round.

Article 13. Draw

1. Pair 1 of each form shall be opponents and that should be called match number 1. Pair 2 of each form shall be opponents and that should be match number 2. The same for each of the following pairs.
2. All Matches 1 through 6 shall be preceded by the round number (1 to 3). In case it is a Match nº2 of round 2, the match shall be called Round2/Match2

Article 14. Communication of Results

1. Captains of each team have the responsibility to fill-out the score form of each Match, and hand it over to the Referee no later than 15m after the conclusion of the match
1. After receiving both score forms, the referee shall officially announce the result of the Match and post it.
2. The Referee may alter score forms if they are filled out incorrectly, or if there are any complaints by any of the captains.

CHAPTER IV – SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND FINAL CONSIDERATIONS

Article 15. Schedule of Events

1. Day 1 (Wednesday) – Arrival of Delegations:
 - a) Opening Ceremony Dinner - Opening ceremony shall consist of a dinner hosted by the Promoter and where both official delegations must participate.
 - b) All players are obligated to participate in the Opening ceremony dinner. If a player cannot not participate in the Opening Ceremony Dinner, he cannot be part of the team. No exceptions.
2. Day 2 (Thursday) – Play of Round One
 - a) Round 1 (Matches 1 to 6)
 - b) Matches will be played in the evening
3. Day 3 (Friday) – Play of Round Two



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- a) Round 2 (Matches 1 to 6)
- b) Matches will be played in the evening
4. Day 4 (Saturday) – Play of Round Three
 - a) Round 3 (Matches 1 to 6)
 - b) Matches will be played in the afternoon
 - c) Closing Ceremony Dinner - Closing ceremony shall consist of a dinner hosted by the Promoter and where both official delegations must participate. If a player cannot not participate in the Closing Ceremony Dinner, he cannot be part of the team. No exceptions.
5. Day 5 (Sunday) – Departure of Delegations

Article 16. Disciplinary Sanctions

1. All disciplinary situations that may arise during any Match or in the Match surroundings must be taken up with the Referee team.
2. The Referee Team decisions can be appealed with the Technical Committee
3. The Referee decisions during a match cannot be appealed.

Article 17. Other

1. All situations that are not covered in this regulation should be taken up with the Technical Committee if such has been nominated, or with the organizing Continental Association if the event hasn't started yet.

