

Rules: Football Final with eight participating Teams

1. Championship Programme

Day 1: arrival of the teams, technical meeting and ID-Check*

Day 2: group matches

Day 3: group matches

Day 4: group matches

Day 5: semifinal / excursion

Day 6: finals, technical meeting and closing ceremony

Day 7: departure of the teams

The excursion will be no more than half a day and will be held at the discretion of the organisers during the USIC championships.

2. Composition of the Delegations

Each delegation will consist of a maximum number of 19 (20) participants:

Players	16
Head of Delegation	1
Trainer	1
Physio **	<u>1</u>
Participants	19
Interpreter *	1

^{*} for delegations who speak no English (only if required)

3. Drawing of Lots and Tournament Schedule

The principles of the drawing of lots and the tournament schedule are described in the General Rules and its annex.

4. Further Information

The following penalty kicks shall be taken to determine the winning team after each draw in the group matches:

- a.) Five penalty kicks
- b.) If both teams have scored no goals or the same number of goals after five penalty kicks, the teams shall continue to take penalty kicks in the same sequence until one of the teams has scored an extra goal after the same number of penalty kicks.

^{*}Necessary documents from the Head of Delegation for the ID-Check: Signed form "Declaration of Participation" and personal legitimation from the participants.

The opening ceremony will be held either on day 1 or day 2.

^{**} it is left up to the delegation to arrive with a Masseur, Physio

The ranking in the preliminary groups will be determined by the number of points gained:

- Three points for a win
- One point for a draw and
- Zero points for a defeat

If the ranking matches result in a draw during normal playing time, the winning team shall be determined as follows:

- a. 2 x 15 minutes of extra time
- b. If this still results in a draw, five penalty kicks
- c. If both teams have scored no goal or the same number of goals after five penalty kicks, the teams shall continue to take penalty kicks in the same sequence until one of the teams has scored an extra goal after the same number of penalty kicks.

In the event of b) and c), only players who were in the match at the end of extra time may take part.

The ranking has to follow the Sport Regulation article SR6.

If two or more teams/countries have the same number of points, the following system shall be used:

- 1. The number of points from direct comparison
- 2. The goal difference
- 3. The number of goal scored.
- 4. Fair play ranking
- 5. Decision by draw

5. Match Duration

Matches shall consist of two halves of 45 minutes each.

Any agreements to change the duration of each half* (e. g. an agreement to reduce each half to 40 minutes due to inadequate lighting), shall be reached prior to the match and shall be in accordance with the championship rules.

(* to be agreed by the USIC Representative and the Chair of the Championship Committee)

6. Yellow and Red Cards

First yellow card – a caution

Second yellow card in the tournament - suspended from one match

Yellow / red card - exclusion from the match, (no substitute may be brought on suspended from one match)

Red card exclusion from the match, (no substitute may be brought on -

suspended from two matches) Red card due to a technical foul - suspended from one match only subject to the referee's decision during the match

Any brutality or violence against players, organisers, referees or spectators shall be punished by exclusion from the tournament.

The decision shall be at the discretion of the Championship Committee.

7. Stadium

A lawn pitch

8. Balls

Balls permitted in accordance with FIFA rules

9. Substitution of Players

A maximum of four players may be substituted during the match.

10. Match Clothing

Each team shall have two sets of uniform match clothing.

The players of each team shall wear uniform match clothing.

The players' shirts shall have numbers on their backs which can be clearly distinguished against the shirt colour.

The numbers on the backs of the players' shirts shall be consistent with the numbers entered on the match report forms.

Each back number may only be assigned once per team.

The players may not change their numbers during the entire championship.

If two teams have similar shorts and shirts which may cause confusion, the first named team shall wear different shorts and shirts.

The wearing of shin guards is compulsory.

11. Goalkeepers

Each goalkeeper shall wear shorts and shirts different in colour from those of the other players, the referee and his assistants.

12. Referees

The referee committee shall be formed by the referees. The referee committee shall nominate the referees for all matches and shall subsequently evaluate their performance.

Change History

Approved	Date	Theme
Core technical team	25. Jan. 2016	
Board	Aug 2021	ID-check and ranking