

**Nordic
TeamGym
Championships**

**TECHNICAL
REGULATIONS**

Valid until December 31st, 2019

ABBREVIATIONS

NF	National Federation
NGM	Nordic Gymnastic meeting
NTC-TG	Nordic Technical Committee TeamGym
NTGC	Nordic TeamGym Championship
OC	Organising committee
TC-TG/UEG	Technical Committee TeamGym of the UEG
TG	TeamGym
UEG	European Union of Gymnastics

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I GENERAL REGULATIONS

1 Organisation and terminology

The Nordic TeamGym Championship (NTGC) is a club competition, which takes place every year.

The NTGC for seniors takes place every uneven year, and NTGC for juniors take place every even year.

The organising country is selected according to the rotation schedule as defined by the NGM.

2 Right to participate

All Nordic federations, which are affiliated to the UEG and FIG have the right to participate.

Non-Nordic teams are not allowed to participate in the NTGC. Also, it is not allowed to arrange an open competition together with the NTGC.

3 Allocation and dates

The national federations will receive official Application Form from the organising country.

The championship for seniors takes place the second Saturday in November and the championships for juniors takes place the third Saturday in April.

If the third Saturday is Easter, the championships will take place on the second Saturday.

4 Conditions for participation

4.1 Composition of the team

8-12 gymnasts and maximum two reserves, from the same club (exception can be made and the gymnasts can come from a max. of two clubs, but the team must have competed together in the competition year).

A gymnast can only represent one club, but is allowed to participate in both mixed and men/women.

4.2 Age of the participants

For the senior TeamGym: Minimum 16 years

For the junior TeamGym: 13 - 17 years

The gymnasts have the right to participate if they reach the determined min/max age during the year of the competition.

4.3 The NF are responsible for

The correct age of their gymnasts.
The club membership of their gymnasts.
Valid insurance of their gymnasts.
That their teams follow the UEG rules for advertising.

The correct age and valid insurance will be checked at the accreditation (bring passport or another kind of identification card with photo).

4.4 Size of the delegation

Maximum 2 teams per section (men, women and mixed)
Maximum 3 coaches per team
Maximum 12 gymnasts per team
Maximum 2 reserve gymnasts per team
Maximum 1 Team Leader per team
Maximum 4 judges
Maximum 2 physiotherapists/doctors or similar function
1 Head of the delegation
1 Deputy Head of the delegation
1 Media/press (representing the federation)
Maximum 2 national coaches
1 NTC-TG member

All nominative gymnasts (excl. the 2 reserve gymnasts) must participate in the competition.

If only 3 or less countries have teams participating in a section, then the countries are allowed to bring 3 teams each in that section. If this rule comes into play, then the OC must tell the NFs, after the provisional registration.

Any extra gymnasts/coaches must not be added to the delegation. However, they can be offered a food and accommodation package. All extra bookings will be handled separate from the delegation bookings. Accreditation cards or tickets to the official banquet must not be offered.

5 Entry procedure

5.1 Official forms

For registration of entry, official forms, which are distributed to all affiliated NF by the organizing federation at the required time, are to be used.

5.2 Deadlines

The deadlines for arrival of registration at the OC are determined by the dates of the competition, as follows.

5.2.1 Provisional registration

Provisional registration files must be sent out from OC no later than 6 months and one week before competition

Provisional registration must be sent from NF no later than 6 months before the date of the NTGC.

The OC must include a list of the apparatus that will be used at the competition, when sending out information about the provisional registration.

5.2.2 Definitive registration

Definitive registration files must be sent out from OC no later than 3 months before competition.

Definitive registration of delegation members must be sent in by NF no later than 2 months before the date of the NTGC

5.2.3 Nominative list of gymnasts, judges and officials

Nominative registration files must be sent out from OC no later than 6 weeks before competition

3 weeks before the date of the NTGC NF must send in:

The list must include:

- Surname and forename
- Date of birth (year) of the gymnasts.

5.2.4 Work Plan

The Work Plan must be sent out no later than 4 weeks prior to the championships.

5.3 Alterations of the teams

Alterations of the teams are possible only in exceptional cases and must be authorised by NTC-TG. Alterations will not be accepted later than at the accreditation.

5.4 Alterations of the nominative list of the gymnasts

Before accreditation teams are allowed to change/replace nominated gymnasts without any further action, except changes must be handed in to the OC at the accreditation.

After accreditation, and before the start of the competition, changes to the nominative list are only allowed between the registered competing gymnasts and the registered reserve gymnasts. All alterations must be handed in to the OC.

5.5 In cases of illness or injury during the competition

In cases of illness or injury during the competition, confirmed by the official doctor of the championships, it is allowed to replace the affected gymnast with a nominated reserve.

II TECHNICAL ORGANISATION

6 Competition format

The TeamGym Championships consists of the following sections:

- Women's teams.
- Men's teams.
- Mixed teams, i.e. 50% males/50% females.

7 Competition program

The following disciplines are compulsory for every participating team:

- Floor program
- Tumble
- Trampet

All competing gymnasts of the team must participate in the floor program. In case of illness or injury, see 5.5. It is also allowed not to put in a reserve gymnast.

8 Technical tasks

8.1 Responsibility

The organising federation is responsible for the technical organisation and running of the competition, with the support of the NTC-TG. Competition order should always be decided with a draw.

The draw is the responsibility of the OC, and the final running order must be announced in the Work Plan. The result of the draw must be approved by the member of the NTC-TG from the organizing country.

8.2 Comply with the Code of Points

Organisation, accomplishment and direction of the competition must comply with the Code of Points (UEG).

8.3 Evaluation of new elements in the Code of Points

The UEG Code of Points will in general be updated every second year. However, the TC-TG/UEG encourages all member Federations to submit new elements that do not yet appear in the Code of Points. The UEG will respond in confidence by sending a formal letter to the Federation telling the new code number, a provisional value and a symbol. The respective Nordic Federation may then decide if the element will be performed at the Nordic Championships, before an official UEG TeamGym competition. In this case, the Federation must bring a copy of the UEG evaluation letter to the official judges meeting at the Nordic Championships. Performing a new element at the Nordic Championships also gives teams from other countries the opportunity to use the same element in their floor program.

9 The juries and judging panels

9.1 Judges

All judges must be holders of the UEG TeamGym brevet for the corresponding cycle or be judges for national competitions in their own country. Judges with head judge positions (E1 and CD1) should be holders of the UEG TeamGym brevet.

If a country does not have enough brevet judges to fill the head judge positions, they should inform the NTC-TG as soon as possible.

9.2 Nomination of judges

Each participating federation is obliged to nominate 4 judges.

9.3 Judges meeting

All judges must participate at the judges meeting prior to the competition. Tariff forms will be distributed to the judges on the evening prior to the competition day.

9.4 Dissensions and interpretations of the Code of Points

If there is any dissension between the judges at the judges' meeting when it comes to the interpretation of the Code of Points, the case will be settled by simple majority vote by the NTC-TG. All judges are obliged to follow these decisions.

It's still the head judge in the respective disciplines who's responsible for making interpretation and decisions regarding other issues in the Code of Points during the competition.

9.5 Competition jury

The competition jury consists of:

- NTC-TG (one representative from each of the Nordic countries)
- The competition director
- The head judge (E1) in the respective discipline

The NTC-TG will take the necessary decisions.

9.6 Protests

Following the rules of the UEG, except it is not possible to protest over the D-score.

9.7 Judging panels

There are 3 judging panels; one for each discipline in each section. The judging panel consists of panels CD- and E-panels.

The judging panels

Floor Program:

DC-panel: Head Judge (CD1) + three judges (CD2, CD3, CD4)

E-panel: Head Judge (E1) + three judges (E2, E3, E4)

Tumble and Trampet:

CD-panel: Head Judge (CD1) + one judge (CD2)

E-panel: Head Judge (E1) + three judges (E2, E3, E4)

Drawing of lots of the judges is the responsibility of the OC, and the final judging panels must be announced in the Work Plan. The result of the drawing of lots must be approved by the member of the NTC-TG from the organising country.

Each nation shall be represented in all sections and disciplines. Each nation can only have one judge in each panel (CD/E) in each discipline.

Each nation can only have maximum 1 E1-Judge in each section, and a total of 2 E1-Judges in the whole competition (women, men and mixed).

In Floor Program, each nation can only have a maximum of 2 judges in the whole judging panel (CD+E).

The draw for judging positions is made by country, which will then be placed into the below fixed scheme of judges' positions. The draw from 2018 will be continued and the countries will move forward to the next number the next year. A new draw will be made for the 2023 Championships.

Positions for 2019:

Drawing of lots:	Country
Country no 1:	FIN
Country no 2:	NOR
Country no 3:	SWE
Country no 4:	ISL
Country no 5:	DEN

MIXED

Floor		Tumble		Trampet	
CD1	1	CD1	2	CD1	1
CD2	4	CD2	5	CD2	3
CD3	2				
CD4	3				
E1	3	E1	4	E1	5
E2	4	E2	1	E2	2
E3	5	E3	3	E3	4
E4	2	E4	5	E4	1

WOMEN

Floor		Tumble		Trampet	
CD1	2	CD1	3	CD1	4
CD2	5	CD2	1	CD2	2
CD3	3				
CD4	4				
E1	5	E1	2	E1	1
E2	1	E2	1	E2	3
E3	4	E3	4	E3	5
E4	3	E4	5	E4	2

MEN

Floor		Tumble		Trampet	
CD1	3	CD1	4	CD1	5
CD2	1	CD2	2	CD2	1
CD3	4				
CD4	5				
E1	1	E1	3	E1	2
E2	2	E2	2	E2	5
E3	3	E3	5	E3	4
E4	4	E4	1	E4	3

III RANKING LISTS AND DISTINCTIONS

10 Ceremonies

10.1 Opening

Participants must march in wearing club uniform. The teams are announced by country. The teams from the organising country are announced last. The championships are then officially opened by a short speech. The teams march out immediately afterwards.

10.2 Award and closing ceremonies

All participants must march in wearing either competition dress or club uniform. The whole team must wear the same outfit. Awards are presented (bronze first, then silver, then gold) after all sections are done. The Nordic Champions are announced, medals awarded, and the national anthem of the winning team is played. The championship is then officially closed by a short speech. The teams march out immediately afterwards.

It is the responsibility of the OC that flag and anthem of all countries are present at the ceremonies.

11 Ranking

11.1 Total score

The total score of the team is the sum of final scores of all three disciplines.

11.2 Winning club

A winning club will be announced for each of the sections.

12 Cups, medals and diplomas

12.1 To the winning club

The winning club in each section is awarded one big and one smaller cup. The winning club holds the smaller cup (minimum 35 cm high).

The NF holds the big cup until the next NTGC (junior/senior respectively). The NF is responsible for bringing the cup to the OC.

If the same team wins the cup for the third time, the team gets the big cup to have and to hold. The respective NF is responsible, both practically and economically, for buying a new big cup including engraving.

The medals are to be similar to those which has been used in the previous Championships, but they can be ordered locally.

12.2 Bringing of the cups

The OC must remind the NF to bring the cups.

12.3 Who receives medals and diplomas - Gold

All participating gymnasts (including reserves) and coaches from the winning club receive a gold medal and a diploma.

12.4 Who receives medals and diplomas - Silver

All participating gymnasts (including reserves) and coaches from the second placed club receive a silver medal and a diploma.

12.5 Who receives medals and diplomas - Bronze

All participating gymnasts (including reserves) and coaches from the third placed club receive a bronze medal and a diploma.

12.6 Who receives a diploma

All other gymnasts (including reserves) and coaches having participated receive a diploma.

12.7 Who provide cups, medals and diplomas

All smaller cups including engraving, medals including engraving and diplomas are provided by the OC.

13 Equality of points

In case of equality of the total score, the teams will keep their achieved ranking.

14 Complete results and complete list of results

14.1 Distribution

When the competition is completed the OC is obliged to distribute a copy of the complete results to the media, and by email to the NF-contact persons. For the representatives of the NTC-TG and head of delegations, complete list of results, including the scores of the individual judges.

IV FUNCTIONS OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

15 Responsibilities of the organisers

15.1 NF with the total responsibility

The NF appointed by the schedule as organiser of the Nordic TeamGym Championship is fully responsible for the organisation of the event, and for establishing the local OC. They carry out all the necessary practical work, and cover the related expenses.

15.2 General obligations of the OC

The OC is responsible for a flawless running of the event, which includes the running of the competition, the training sessions, the judges' meetings and the necessary meetings.

To achieve this, they must strictly observe the:

- Technical regulations for the Nordic TeamGym Championships (this document)
- Code of points (by the UEG). See appendix for Nordic adaptations
- Directives for Equipment - TeamGym (by the UEG). See appendix for the Nordic adaptations

V FINANCIAL MATTERS AND OBLIGATIONS

16 Financial obligations

16.1 Participating clubs, countries and OC

The participating clubs cover all their expenses, including for their judges. If a country cannot provide 4 judges, then the cost of providing the judges from another country must be assumed by the country unable to provide the judges.

The OC must offer at least two different types of accommodations: One to a very reasonable price e.g. a hostel, one in middleclass e.g. a tourist hotel, and possibly a better class hotel. The OC must try to provide accommodations within walking distance of the competition area.

16.2 OC

The organiser of the Nordic TeamGym Championships will cover all the expenses and obligations related to the running of the event.

VI SPECIAL REGULATIONS

17.1 Statutes of the UEG and extraordinary situations

The rules of the Statutes of UEG will be applied in all situations, which are not foreseen in these regulations. See also VII Appendices, section 18.3.

If extraordinary situations should occur, the necessary decisions will be made by the NTC-TG or the representatives of each country present at the competition.

17.2 Language

The Work Plan and all general documents and information concerning the Nordic TeamGym Championships are to be published in English.

17.3 Protocol

The statutes and regulations of the FIG are valid in all matters of protocol concerning the Nordic TeamGym Championships.

17.4 Revising of the Technical Regulations

The regulations (this document) are to be revised each year during the NTGC. Within 6 weeks after the championships the organizing country will send the draft for the revised Technical Regulations for approval. Comments and changes to the draft must be sent back to the organizing country within 2 weeks.

The regulations must be finally approved by the NTC-TG, and sent out to the NF within 2 months.

The valid until date on the front page of this document, must always be updated by one year as part of the revision.

17.5 NTC-TG meeting

NTC-TG will meet at every NTGC. The meeting is held on Thursday at 18:00-22:00. Each Nordic country may bring two representatives to NTC-TG meetings, but only one has a voting right. The organizing country may have a secretary present at the meeting.

If any country wishes to bring more than two participants to the meeting, they should ask the NTC-TG members for permission and inform the OC in advance, before the agenda is sent out.

Deadline for sending in issues for discussion or change at the NTC-TG meeting:

- Invitation must be sent out 6 weeks before meeting date by the organizing country
- Topics for the meeting must be sent in to the organizer no later than 3 weeks before the meeting date
- Organizer must send out the meeting Agenda no later than 2 weeks before meeting date
- Minutes from the NTC-TG meeting must be sent out by the organizing country within 2 weeks after the championships

17.6 Evaluation of the Nordic Championships

The OC will after the event send an (online) evaluation form to all federations. All teams, judges and head of delegations are expected to submit this form. The outcome will be shared with the NTC-TG.

VII APPENDICES

18.1 Code of Points – Nordic adaptations

The UEG Code of Points will be applied with the following adaptations:

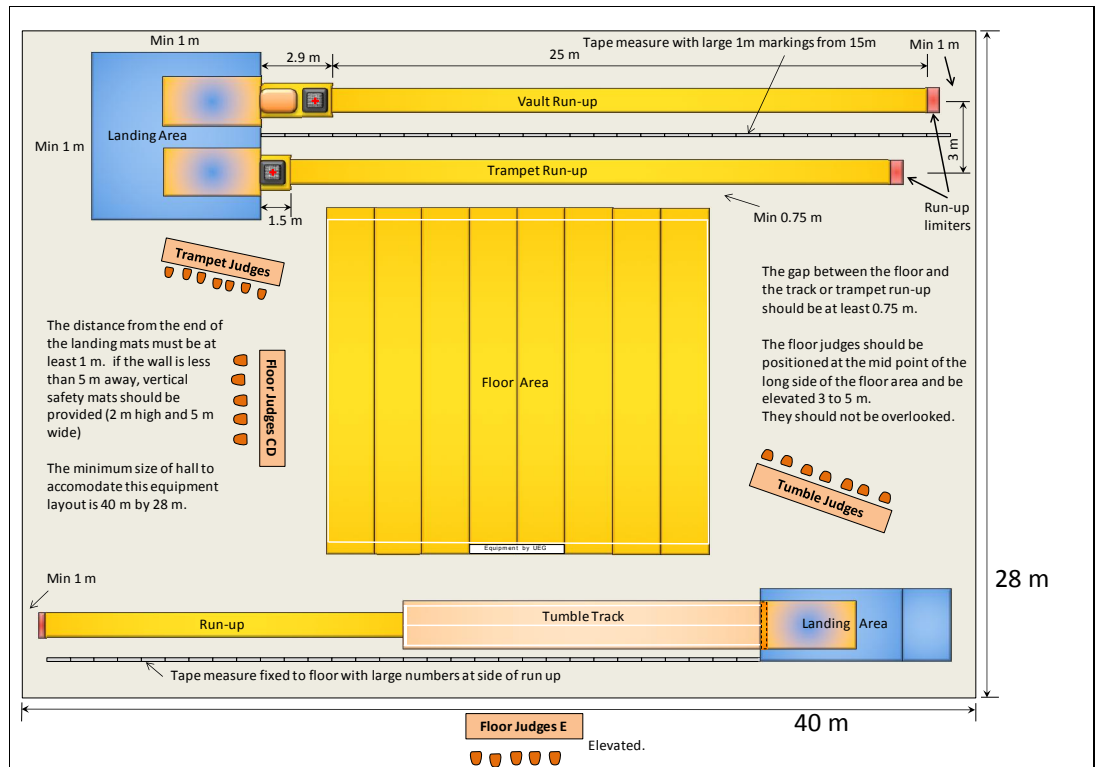
- Tasks for the Superior Jury (present at the UEG TeamGym European Championships).
 - o The deductions for the Superior Jury will be transferred to judges' panels ensuring that certain deductions are only given once per team:
All panel judges may notify the E1 and the panel will discuss together, whether they take the deduction or not. The whole panel needs to be of the same opinion, otherwise the jury will be called. The deduction can only be taken once per team. If the deduction is taken, the OC will notify all other panels.
 - o Instructions on how to apply the Superior Jury deductions are presented at the judges' meeting
- Wearing a national identification or emblem is optional at the Nordic TeamGym Championships (see CoP 4.2.1 and 8.2)
- Performing triple saltos must comply with the rules of the team's National Federation. No written dispensation is required (see CoP 25.1 and 29.1).

18.2 Directives for Equipment – Nordic adaptations

The UEG Equipment Directives (September 2013, Revision A February 2016) will be applied with the following exceptions:

- The floor area will be reduced to 16 m x 14. The area is made up of 8 mats, 2 m wide and a minimum 14 m long.
- The OC may, if necessary due to space limitations, provide only one landing area for trampet. The OC must give information of the number of landing areas for trampet in the Work Plan.

Competition Hall Layout



18.3 The applicability of other FIG/UEG regulations

UEG publicity form

- A modified publicity form will be used for the Nordic Championships. The maximum of advertising places on the competition attire is three (3) for all gymnasts and coaches (stand-ins).
- National emblem is optional

UEG Technical Regulations

- Sanctions against late entries (3.2.6), for missing/insufficient number of judges (3.2.7) and unjustified failure to attend the information meeting (13.2) will not be imposed.
- Please note that the use of mobile phones or any other electronic communication device by gymnasts, coaches, judges or medical staff of the delegations on the field of play is forbidden during the entire duration of the competitions.

18.4 Tariff forms

Head of delegation delivers all revised tariff forms to the secretariat within two hours before the start of the competitions. It is ok to use a web solution for handing in tariff forms if the OC has one. If a web solution is not used the OC should have a copying machine for copying tariff forms at the accreditation.

In case of injury, it must be possible to update the tariff form for floor during the competition.

The OC must give information about this in the Work Plan.

18.5 Clothing during practice

During all practice in the competition hall, a similar, neat and proper athletic appearance should be the overall impression of the teams.

The OC must give information about this in the work plan.

18.6 Recommended timetable for the competition

Thursday:

20:00-22:00 Arrival of the teams *
Meeting of the NTC-TG

Friday:

09:00-12:30 Arrival of the teams *
Meeting of the NTC-TG (continued)
16:00-21:00 Training for the teams (see below) **
20:00 Information meeting for Head of delegation,
coaches and judges
20:30 (Judges' meeting if necessary)

Saturday (with three competitions):

08:00 General warm-up Mixed teams
09:00 Warm-up Mixed teams
(8min/team/discipline)
09:00-10:00 Judges' meeting for the Mixed competition
10:10-10:30 Opening ceremony
10:30 Competition Mixed teams
12:00 Warm-up Women's' teams
(8min/team/discipline)
12:00-13:30 Judges' meeting for the Women's
competition
13:30 Competition Women's teams
15:30 Warm-up Men's teams
(8 min/team/discipline)
15:30-16:30 Judges' meeting for the Men's competition
16:30 Competition Men's teams
18:00 Award ceremony
20:00 Banquet

Saturday (with two competitions):

08:30	General warm-up
09:30	Warm-up (8 min/team/discipline)
11:00-12:00	Judges' meeting
12:00	1 st Competition
14:00	PAUSE
14:30	2 nd Competition
17:00	Award ceremony
20:00	Banquet

* Dinner on Thursday should always be offered for teams arriving early

** Training on Friday will be arranged in the same running order as the competition. This means starting with mixed teams, then women's teams and finally men's team. The training time is 10 minutes per team and apparatus, starting at 4 pm.

18.7 Rotation schedule for the Nordic Gymnastics Cooperation

	TeamGym Seniors W/MIX/M	TeamGym Juniors W/MIX/M
Time	2 nd Saturday in November	3 rd Saturday in April *
2017	SWE	
2018		FIN
2019	NOR	
2020		DAN
2021	ISL	
2022		SWE
2023	FIN	
2024		NOR
2025	DAN	
2026		ISL

* If the third (3rd) Saturday in April coincide with the Easter, the Championships are organized the second (2nd) Saturday in April.