



Guidelines for participating clubs

Participating clubs:

- Baden Banditos
- Basel Touch
- Geneva Eagles
- Swiss Lakers
- Panhandle Wild Pigs
- Touch Rugby Bern
- Zug Touch
- Zurich Geezers

Fixtures:

Sunday 6th May 2018 in Lausanne (11:00 tap-off; 10:30 captains' meeting)
 Sunday 24th June 201 in Bern (11:00 tap-off; 10:30 captains' meeting)
 Saturday 25th August 2018 in Baden (12:00 tap-off; 11:30 captains' meeting)
 Saturday 20th October 2018 in Egg (12:00 tap-off; 11:30 captains' meeting)

Series rules/guidelines:

All clubs have agreed to promote all Swiss Cup fixtures within their clubs and made a commitment (unforeseen circumstances notwithstanding) to sending a team (or two teams if they wish) to each tournament.

The fee per team per tournament is CHF 200 (for a maximum of 14 players), to be paid one month in advance of each tournament to:

Beneficiary: Touch Switzerland
 Bank: Raiffaisen
 IBAN: CH20 8069 1000 0083 3479 0
 SWIFT-BIC RAIFCH22
 SIC-BIC80691

The structure is broadly pool games followed by knockout games (top half and bottom half) for placings. Each host club will plan its own tournament timings, but games are expected to be 20-minutes in length (finals possibly 30 minutes if the schedule allows).

ENTERING A SECOND TEAM:

All clubs are guaranteed one team spot at each fixture, provided team entries and payments are submitted before the deadline (see above).

Clubs are welcome and encouraged to enter a second team to any fixture, but the additional team entry will be accepted at the host club and Swiss Cup sub-committee's discretion (i.e. if there is space in the draw/enough field space to accommodate additional teams).

If a club enters two teams into any given Swiss Cup, Swiss Cup points are only awarded to the highest-placing of the two teams; the lower-placing team is included in placings but does not receive points. A club is not required to state in advance which of its two teams is intended to be the points-scoring team.

INVITATIONAL TEAMS:

All players on a team must be paid-up members of the Touch Switzerland-affiliated club they are representing. Adding guest players to a team (i.e. non-members of the club that the team is representing) will automatically define the team as an invitational, i.e. non-placing and non-points-scoring, team.

Other teams e.g. from nearby in France/Germany may join if the hosts wish to invite them e.g. to balance the draw. Invitational teams (i.e. non-TS teams) are not included in placings and do not receive points.

Points structure per fixture:

- 10 points for first place
- 8 points for second
- 6 points for third
- 5 points for fourth
- 4 points for fifth
- 3 points for sixth
- 2 point for seventh
- 1 for eighth or below
- 0 for ninth or below

Example:

1 st	Geneva Eagles I	10 points
2 nd	Basel Touch	8 points
3 rd	Touch Rugby Bern	6 points
4 th	Geneva Eagles II	--
5 th	Panhandle Wild Pigs (Egg)	4 points
6 th	Baden Banditos	3 points
--	Strasbourg (for example)	--
7 th	Zug Touch	2 points
8 th	Swiss Lakers	1 point
9 th	Zurich Geezers	0

Mixed format – guidelines/rules regarding number of female players on the field are as follows:

- Clubs should be making every effort to enter mixed teams that allow them to adhere to standard mixed touch rules, i.e. minimum of 3 female players on the field at all times (and therefore maximum of 3 male players).
- Exceptionally, if a team has only 2 female players in their squad for a given tournament, they may play 1 additional male player (i.e. maximum 4 male players on the field), for which they will be penalized two touchdowns per game.
- Exceptionally, if a team has only 1 female player in their squad, they may play 2 additional male players (i.e. maximum 5 male players), for which they will be penalized four touchdowns per game.
- Exceptionally, if a team has no female players in their squad, they may play only 2 (not 3) additional male players (i.e. maximum 5 male players), for which they will be penalized four touchdowns per game.

Minimum player age is 12. Players aged 12-14 (inclusive) count as female players for the purposes of determining the number of male/female players on the pitch (see mixed format guidelines above).

Strictly no borrowing of players on the day – each player may play for one team only at any given Swiss Cup tournament. If a club has entered two teams, players may not play for both teams (at the one tournament).

All players (including those on invitational teams) must be affiliated to FIT (e.g. via membership of a FIT-affiliated club/NTA).

At the end of each tournament, prizes (organized by the host club) will be awarded to:

- Cup winner (1st place team)
- Plate winner (usually 5th place team, i.e. winner of the bottom half)
- Top touchdown scorer

At the end of the series, prizes (organized by TS/the Swiss Cup sub-committee) will be awarded to:

- Swiss Cup Champions 2017 (1st place team)
- All other Swiss clubs (according to placings, i.e. down to wooden spoon)
- Top touchdown scorer

Questions:

Any questions should be addressed to your (or any) representative on the Swiss Cup committee:

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Touch Rugby Bern	andrea.z@bluewin.ch (Andrea Zimmermann)	076 543 37 09
Zug Touch	arthur.hardman@emerson.com	079 237 08 24
Zurich Geezers	jennifer.hinam@gmail.com	076 558 99 62