

# Bernd Best Tournament 2017 Regulations

## Attention for 2017

The Main Gym is **Gym B** (Hoehenhaus, Im Weidenbruch 214)

Please pay special attention the **Regulations for the Professional League** and the **Goal Clock and Time-Out scheme regulations for Advanced- and Basic League** in paragraph 6.4.

## 1. Introduction

For organisational reasons the organising committee may differ from the rules stated below at short notice. However, we will inform you about any alterations as soon as possible and as described below.

## 2. Communication

Where, when and how to get the latest information?

### 2.1 General

**Until Sunday March 26<sup>th</sup> 2017** alterations of the playing schedule will be announced at <http://www.bernd-best-turnier.de/>

Later on you get the information at the check-in office. The teams are responsible to obtain the necessary information that is available at the above locations.

The organising committee may change the assignments for the leagues the teams registered for. However, we try to do changes with all fairness and in accordance with the affected team.

### 2.2 Updated information on schedule, results and special notes

During the tournament please pay attention to the information boards located at:

- Gym A at "Burgwiesenstrasse"
- Gym B at "Im Weidenbruch"
- Gym C at "Herler Ring"
- Youth Hostel - Friday evening and Saturday evening at entrance to the party room

**Each team's team-manager is responsible to check the board in the Youth Hostel until midnight or his e-mail account for updates on the playing schedule.**

## 3. Check-In

### 3.1 Teams

Each team has to check-in on Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> 2017 from 10am until 2pm at the latest. Only the team manager or any person who has a similar position shall do the team check-in.

- Pass your mobile phone number for urgent calls
- Check or register a new e-mail-address for urgent mails

You will receive coupons for the whole team valid for diner on Friday and Saturday at the Youth Hostel, for your team's T-shirts and the tournament brochures.

**Attention: Check in will be at Gym B (Hoehenhaus, Im Weidenbruch 214)**

## 4. Ground Transportation

We will provide ground transportation between airport (CGN only!), youth hostel and gyms for our foreign guest arriving by plane. **Please submit your flight details well in advance to [info@rolli1.de](mailto:info@rolli1.de) and [sekretariat@bernd-best-turnier.de](mailto:sekretariat@bernd-best-turnier.de).**

### 4.1 Responsibilities for equipment

**Each team has to check their equipment on arrival at the airport and after any transportation during Bernd Best Tournament. Please mark your equipment prominently with your team's name! The organizer takes no responsibility for left and lost equipment.**

Beginning on Sunday morning the check-in area will be available for all teams who need transportation to the airport to store luggage, wheelchairs and any other equipment.

## 5. Classification

- All players have to be in possession of their international classification card, if not in possession of an international card, the classification card of their national federation is required to verify their classification points. We regret, that we cannot offer an authorized classification panel. Any protests or request for the change of classification points cannot be negotiated during the whole tournament.
- All players have to present their official and actual international classification card at the commencement of the match. Players with no international classification card present their official national classification card.
- **In the case of a difference between the points on a card and the officially published one on our web site the less favorable classification points are accepted.**
- If the international classification of a player has changed after the submission of your registration form you are obliged to report this to Bernd-Best-Secretariat: [sekretariat@bernd-best-turnier.de](mailto:sekretariat@bernd-best-turnier.de)
- Players who cannot verify their classification with an official classification card have to pay 25 Euro to obtain a temporary Bernd Best Tournament classification card.
- **For German players in Advanced and Basic-League only:** If your international classification differs from your German classification, only your German classification will be valid at Bernd Best Tournament.

## 6. Tournament rules and regulations

### 6.1 General

- A team has to arrive in time to start the match. If a team cannot start to play in accordance with the rules within 10 minutes after the **scheduled** time the game is forfeit. The opponent team is declared as the winner.
- All wheelchairs in the **Champions and Professional League** must be legal and conform completely to the IWRF-rules (Version 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015).
- The officials check rugby-wheelchairs in the **Advanced and Basic League** with more tolerance. Many players had not been able to adjust their wheelchairs to the recent rule changes by the IWRF for financial reasons. However, all wheelchairs have to be relieved from any appliances that are dangerous for the safety of the players or may

cause damage to other wheelchairs as well as may give the player an unfair advantage.

A special committee is appointed, consisting of 1 referee and at least 1 experienced player, to decide in the case of a doubt.

Referees: Anke Opiela, Kristin Opiela, Katja Geisen, Katharina Adler, Alex Schreiner,

- Players: Mathias Opiela, more to be announced on location
- **Minor changes** to the wheelchairs can be done at the repair station of our Sponsor "Schmicking".
- Ranking of the teams of the Advanced and Basic-League in round robin pools of equally placed teams follow, in hierarchic order, the regulations below:
  1. Higher figure of won matches
  2. The result of the match between the two teams
  3. The higher goal quotient of the matches between the three teams
  4. The higher goal quotient of all matches
  5. By the toss of a coin.

Playing in a pool of 3 or more teams all scores of the matches are of significance for the final ranking.

- Playing Time

| Playing time<br><b>Playing Time</b> | <b>Interval at the end of the first period and the third period</b> | <b>Interval at the end of the second period (halftime)</b> |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4 x 8 minutes                       | 2 (two) minutes                                                     | 5 (five) minutes                                           |
| 4 x 6 minutes                       | 1 (one) minute                                                      | 3 (three) minutes                                          |

## 6.2 Champions League

Competition in Champions League is played strictly according to IWRP rules.

## 6.3 Professional League

Competition in Professional League is played strictly according to IWRP rules. The only modification will be in an adapted playing time. The playing time will be either 4x8 minutes or 4x6 minutes. The playing time for a specific game is indicated in the game schedule. The field of play is smaller than regular.

## 6.4 Advanced and Basic League

Competition in Advanced and Basic League is held with a few modifications from the IWRP rules:

- **Team balance points 7 (seven)**
- **Bonus for female players:** 1.0 for each female player on the court

**The 40 seconds Goal Clock will not be used in Advances and Basic League.**

- **Adapted playing time**  
The playing time will be either 4x8 minutes or 4x6 minutes. The playing time for a specific game is indicated in the game schedule.

### **Time-out scheme for all games**

Each team has 2 (two) 60 second ("Coach") time-outs per game, regardless of the playing time.

### **There are no 30 second ("court" / "field") time-outs.**

Each team will be given two green time-out cards prior to every game. To request a time-out during the game place a green time-out card on the official's table. The table officials will then give notice to the referees of this request.

Please return unused green time-out cards back to the table officials after the game.

- Tied score: "**Over time with golden Goal**". No additional time out during the "Over time with golden Goal"
- "Over time with golden Goal" Exception is made for the final, 1st/2nd place ranking. In this game overtime is played according to IWRG-Rules.

### **"Over time with golden Goal":**

The Over Time is started with a tip-off in the centre circle. The team, which will score the 3rd goal (Golden Goal) or 2 goals in a row during the over time is the winner of the match (Final result 2:0 or 2:1). There is no additional time out for the overtime. To deal with possible penalties the clock is set to the maximum possible time (e.g. 99 minutes) at the beginning of the overtime. The clock is operated as usual.

## **7. Technical Aspects**

**Head Official:** Anke Opiela

**Assistant Head Official:** Kristin Opiela

**Assignment Committee:** Katharina Adler, Alex Schreiner, Katja Geisen

**All decisions made by the referees on court are final. The organizing committee will not accept further protests.**

The organizing committee decides urgent changes of the playing schedule:

**Organizing Committee:** Anke Opiela, Mathias Opiela, Norbert Leisten

## **8. Miscellaneous Information**

- Each team receives six-packs of water during the time of the tournament. It can be obtained from the catering desk of your gym.
- All our referees and table official are volunteers. They face a big challenge to support the success of the tournament. To foster the spirits of the tournament please encourage our officials to do a good job.
- We expect many spectators for the finals. Please clear the whole gym area from all unnecessary equipment and rugby wheelchairs. Thank you!
- The teams are kindly requested to stay until the end of the closing ceremony. You support our sport and the intended public recognition. All participants who are present will receive a special tournament gift.

### **8.1 Closing / award Ceremony**

Teams are kindly requested to line up behind the sign showing their name. The Captain is asked to pick up the team's trophy/certificate at the front. Please bring the team sign with you to identify yourself to the presenters and avoid confusion.

## 9. Tight schedule

Schedule for Bernd Best Tournament 2017 is very tight. To allow a smooth tournament organization games have to start strictly on time.

**Please leave the court area as fast as possible after your game has ended in order to start the next game on time!!!**

When necessary the following procedures will be in effect to start games as scheduled:

- Teams have to warm up off-court while the previous game on the assigned court is still running.
- Captain's meeting will take place off-court while the previous game on the assigned court is still running.
- The Tip-off will take place not later than 1 (one) minute after the end of the previous game.

## 10. Anti-Doping

The Bernd Best Tournament is committed to follow the IWRP Anti-doping Rules. The IWRP has established the IWRP Anti-Doping Rules (the Rules) in compliance with the general principles of the World Anti-Doping Code (WADC). All tournament participants are personally responsible for their own actions.

## 11. Insurance

Participation in the Bernd Best Tournament 2017 is at your own risk. The organization will not take responsibility for any damage to, theft of, or loss of personal belongings, or for any physical injury to participants, spectators, or other attendees. We will not cover any costs incurred.

## 12. Image Rights

By participation at this event, participants consent to the release of their portraits. The consent includes all publications in the media and presentations of the German Wheelchair Sports Association e.V. (DRS e.V.) and the Rollstuhlclub Koeln (RSC Cologne e.V.) expressly.