



## TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

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The tournament will be governed by the rules set out in the Regulations of the European Football Championship 2002/2004. In order to answer some of the most commonly-asked questions, here are a few extracts from the UEFA EURO 2004™ rule-book:

- The winners of the European Championship keep the Henri Delaunay Cup until the draw is made for the final round of UEFA EURO 2008™. The winning association will also be presented with a reduced-size replica of the trophy, which it may keep.
- A full-size replica of the trophy will be presented to any association which wins the competition three times in succession or on a total of five occasions.
- Each of the 16 national associations will receive a commemorative plaque; the two eliminated in the semi-finals will also receive a diploma; the runners-up will receive a plaque.
- A total of 30 gold medals will be presented to the winning squad and 30 silver medals to the beaten finalists.
- If two or more teams finish level on points at the end of the group phase, these are the criteria which will be used to determine the final group placings:

- 1 Greater number of points in the matches between the teams in question
- 2 Goal difference from matches between the teams in question
- 3 Greater number of goals scored in matches between the teams in question \*
- 4 Goal difference resulting from all three group games
- 5 Greater number of goals scored in all group games
- 6 Coefficient derived from UEFA EURO 2004™ and FIFA 2002 World Cup qualifiers (points obtained divided by number of matches played)
- 7 Fair Play ranking
- 8 Drawing of lots by the Committee for the European Championship only applicable if more than two teams are level

- If two teams meeting in one of the last group matches have the same number of points, the same goal difference and the same number of goals, and if this match stands at a draw at the end of normal time, the ranking of these two teams will be determined by kicks from the penalty mark rather than the above-mentioned criteria.
- In the knock-out phases of the competition, the Silver Goal rule applies if the scores are level at the end of normal time.
- *The Silver Goal ruling means that extra-time will not exceed 2 x 15 minutes. But, if one team has scored more goals than the other at the end of the first 15 minutes, that team will be declared the winner. If the scores are still level, the second period of extra-time will be played. And if the two teams are still level, the winner will be decided by kicks from the penalty mark. In other words, this final could last 90 minutes, 105 minutes or 120 minutes.*
- If, for any reason, a match cannot be played according to the match schedule it will, in principle, be played on the following day
- There will be doping controls, involving two players from each team, at all UEFA EURO 2004™ matches
- If there is a penalty shoot-out, both teams must start with the same number of players. So a team of 11 playing against a team reduced to 10 by dismissal or injury will have to exclude one player for the penalty shoot-out. This is to avoid a situation where, for example, the 11<sup>th</sup> penalty-taker for the team of 11 – presumably the worst – would be pitted against the best penalty-taker of the team reduced to 10.