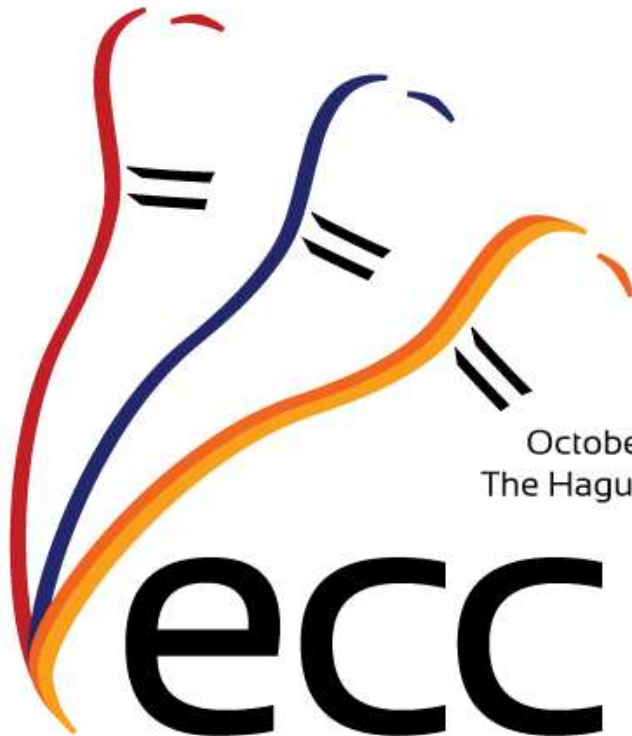


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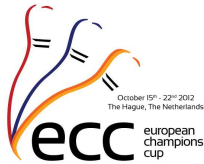


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Dear ETBF Federations,

In 2012 The Netherlands will host the European Champions Cup for the fifth time in the history of this championship. This is most times any country has ever hosted this event. It is with great pleasure that the Netherlands Bowling Federation welcomes delegations from all European Tenpin Bowling Federation members to this years ECC.

The European Champions Cup 2012 will be held at Bowling en Recreatie Centrum Zuiderpark in The Hague.

The venue Bowling Zuiderpark has 16 lanes. Previous participants of several international tournaments in this Centre will know that this used to be a 32 lane center.

In this bulletin, please find information about the following items:

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7. Fees
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It is imperative that all federations strictly meet the deadlines presented in this bulletin, starting with the deadline June 30th 2012 for Forms A and B.

The official Website www.ecc2012.eu is online and will continuously be updated.

We are looking forward to hosting this event and to welcome you and your team in The Netherlands.

If you may have any questions, comments or concerns, please feel free to contact us through e-mail to info@ecc2012.eu at any time.

Best regards,

Leen van der List,	President Netherlands Bowling Federation
Bettina Lund,	Championships coordinator, Netherlands Bowling Federation
Edwin van Delden,	Financial Manager, Netherlands Bowling Federation
Jan Jaap v.d. Sar,	PR and Communication Manager, Netherlands Bowling Federation
Ad van der Jagt,	Chairman of the Tournament Committee

1. Preliminary Schedule of Events

Weekday	Date	From	To	Activity
Monday	15-10-2012			Last day of delegations to arrive
		11:00	23:00	Unofficial Practice

Weekday	Date	From	To	Activity
Tuesday	16-10-2012	11.00	16.30	Ball registration
		08.00	09.00	Lane maintenance
		09.00	10.00	Team Managers Meeting at the hotel
		11.00	12.30	Official practice 1, maximum 16 countries
		12.30	13.30	Lane maintenance
		13.30	15.00	Official practice 2, maximum 16 countries
		15.00	16.00	Lane maintenance
		16.00	17.30	Official practice 3, maximum 16 countries
		17.30	18.00	Break and line up for the march in
		18.00	19.00	Opening Ceremony

Weekday	Date	From	To	Activity
Wednesday	17-10-2012	08.00	09.00	Lane maintenance
		09.00	12.30	Women Group A, 8 games Oil I
		12.30	13.30	Lane maintenance
		13.30	17.00	Women Group B, 8 games Oil I
		17.00	18.00	Lane maintenance
		18.00	21.30	Men Group A, 8 games Oil I

Weekday	Date	From	To	Activity
Thursday	18-10-2012	08.00	09.00	Lane maintenance
		09.00	12.30	Men Group B, 8 games Oil I
		12.30	13.30	Lane maintenance
		13.30	17.00	Women Group A, 8 games Oil II
		17.00	18.00	Lane maintenance
		18.00	21.30	Women Group B, 8 games Oil II

Preliminary Schedule of Events (Continued)

Weekday	Date	From	To	Activity
Friday	19-10-2012	08.00	09.00	Lane maintenance
		09.00	12.30	Men Group A, 8 games Oil II
		12.30	13.30	Lane maintenance
		13.30	17.00	Men Group B, 8 games Oil II
		17.00	18.00	Lane maintenance
		18.00	21.30	Women Group 2, 8 games combined oil

Weekday	Date	From	To	Activity
Saturday	20-10-2012	08.00	09.00	Lane maintenance
		09.00	12.30	Women Group 1, 8 games combined oil
		12.30	13.30	Lane maintenance
		13.30	17.00	Men Group 2, 8 games combined oil
		17.00	18.00	Lane maintenance
		18.00	21.30	Men Group 1, 8 games combined oil

Weekday	Date	From	To	Activity
Sunday	21-10-2012	08.00	09.00	Lane maintenance
		09.00	10.30	Quarter finals women and men, best of 3 games
		10.30	11.30	Lane maintenance
		11.30	13.00	Semi finals women and men, best of 3 games
		13.00	13.30	Lane maintenance
		13.30	15.00	Final women, best of 3 games
		15.00	16.30	Final men, best of 3 games
		16.30	17.00	Medal ceremonies and closing
		20.00	-	Farewell banquet

Weekday	Date	From	To	Activity
Monday	22-10-2012	-	-	Departures

After the first 2 blocks of 8 games, the groups A and B (for both genders respectively) are redistributed in new groups 1 and 2 based on the standings after the first 16 games.

2. Official Accommodation

The official accommodation of the ECC 2012 is:

Hotel Den Haag – Nootdorp
Gildeweg 1, 2632 BD Nootdorp
T: +31 (0)15 - 310 45 45
F: +31 (0)15 - 310 45 46
<http://www.hoteldenhaag.nl>
info@denhaag.valk.nl



The official ECC hotel was built and opened in 2007 and features 142 luxury non-smoking rooms and 14 multifunctional conference rooms. The hotel also achieved the Green Key. The Green Key is an ecolabel awarded to tourism and leisure establishments.

In Hotel Den Haag you will find a combination of different styles, ranging from traditional to modern. Every aspect of the hotel was carefully selected to create a friendly and warm environment and a welcoming staff. On the ground floor of the hotel you will find the front desk, hotel bar and our atmospheric restaurant with over 300 seats. The entire hotel is air-conditioned and equipped with wireless internet. Sufficient free parking space is available on site.

FACILITIES

Rooms

Each of the comfortable rooms is equipped with all conveniences, a spacious bathroom with whirlpool and a separate downpour shower, a flat screen-TV, room safe, hairdryer, telephone and wireless internet. The room surface is 36 M2 including the bathroom.

Room prices (including breakfast):

Single Room	: 110 €
Double Room	: 120 €
3 person room	: 130 €
(3 full quality beds)	



Restaurant

The comfortable restaurant of Hotel Den Haag - Nootdorp is open from 12 am till 10 pm*, where you can make a selection out of many different dishes on our extensive menu. The menu not only offers delicious dishes from the French cuisine, but also from the Italian, South-African and Austrian cuisine. Our Chef works exclusively with fresh products; both surprisingly and attractively presented and extremely diverse. ECC menu or dishes will be available by sufficient interest.

*possible longer hours with sufficient interest.



Breakfast

In the restaurant you can enjoy our abundant breakfast buffet from 6 am till 11 am. On Saturdays breakfast is served from 7 am till 11 am. On Sundays you can enjoy breakfast from 7 am till 10.30 am due to our Sunday brunch starting at 12 am.

Bar

After a long day in the Bowling Centre and or sightseeing adventures, the need to relax and unwind can be fulfilled in the atmospheric bar of the hotel. The abundance of seats can provide privacy, while the horseshoe-shaped bar invites for unexpected encounters. The informal, friendly atmosphere gives the opportunity for many of our guests to relax just before night falls. From 4 pm until 11 p.m. you can order small dishes of our late night bar. In the weekends the bar opens at 5 pm till 1 am.



General information

From Zalm Bowling Centre Zuiderpark to the

Bowlers Accommodation

Travel time; 13 minutes by car

Distance; 12,6 km

From Zalm Bowling Centre Zuiderpark to The Hague City Centre

Travel time; 11 minutes by car

Distance; 6.9 km



3. The Hague area

"Oh, Oh, The Hague beautiful town behind the dunes, the 'Zuiderpark', 'de Lange Poten' and the 'Plein'... Oh, oh, The Hague"

These are the beginning lyrics of a song sung in coarse 'Hague' language about what was and what is. A real folk town with it's own football team ADO. A city with quirky residential areas where, next to 'Hagenaars', many other cultures have found its place.

We will show you around with tramline 9 that is waiting for you at about 150 metres from our bowling centre and we will first subside to the 'Binnenhof' where the Dutch Parliament resides with the top attraction the 'Ridderzaal' (Knight's Hall).



From here we will carry on and after a short 10 to 15 minute walk we will reach the workplace of Queen Beatrix which is part of the city centre where you can also do some excellent shopping.

The highlight of the Binnenhof undoubtedly was and is the Ridderzaal, which was built by count Floris V in the 13th century.



From the workplace of the queen it is possible to proceed to the 'Vredespaleis' (Peace palace) or go

back to tramline 9 to continue our journey in the direction of 'Madurodam'

When making a short visit to the Hague, it is possible to see the Netherlands in miniature in a few hours. Obviously all is recreated in scale but it will give the visitor a good impression of matters that take place in the Netherlands.

The palace is the result of an international contest of which the winning design was made by the French architect Cordonnier.

The Permanent Court of Arbitration, the International Court of Justice, the Academy of International Law and a lovely library are located at the 'Vredespaleis' The 'Engelse Droppot' (English licorice jar) can be found in Madurodam as well as the centre of The Hague during shopping.



After seeing the Netherlands in miniature it is time to go on in the direction of the beach. Time to feel the breeze in your hair, have a bite of fish or have a gamble in the casino. A visit to the 'Kurhaus' is also definitely worthwhile.

When all breezed out we will again hop on tramline 9 to arrive at Zuiderpark after a small city tour which will take about half an hour.

If you wish to see more:  [Download map of The Hague](#) (PDF, 3565 kB)

4. Zalm Bowlingcentre Zuiderpark Den Haag



This 16 lane center is best known to most European bowlers as BowlingWorld Zuiderpark and host of the "BBWZ B-klassen Tournament" and the YET BBWZ Youth Tournament since 2002. The bowling has Brunswick GSX machines, (with) Pro *Anvilane Synthetic* lanes and approaches, in combination with *Qubica Conquest* computerscore. For the ECC 2012 Zalm Bowlingcentre Zuiderpark will use a tournament set of *Twister* pins.

The center itself is on the first floor, entered by two stairs or elevator and has a total space of approximately 1600 square meters recreational area. This includes a small restaurant that is located within the bowling center where you can enjoy good food at reasonable prices. The center will sell bottled sodas. All public areas in the Netherlands are submitted to a ban on smoking, so smoking will not be allowed inside the bowling center. Outside there is a free public parking area to accommodate 400 cars. We do however strongly recommend you to use the tournament shuttles and/or public transport.

More information can be found on www.bowlingcentrezuiderpark.nl or email info@bowlingcentrezuiderpark.nl
Information regarding the ECC2012 is available on www.ecc2012.eu

Upon arrival all participating federations will receive more information about the different areas in the bowling center and what they are used for.

The center has a great staff that speaks excellent English, and they will do their utmost for you and your supporters to make it a great event.

Center address:
Zalm Party- en Recreatiecentrum Zuiderpark
Mr. P. Drooglever Fortuynweg 79
2533 SP 's-Gravenhage
The Netherlands
Phone : +31 (0)70 4020777
Fax : +31 (0)70 3300089

Center specifications	
Number of lanes	16
Approaches	Brunswick Pro Anvilane
Surfaces	Brunswick Pro Anvilane
Pin decks	Brunswick duradex
Pin setters	Brunswick GSX
Pins	Twisters
Score system	QubicaAMF Conquest

Dressing specifications	
Oil machine	Kegel
Oil	Kegel
Cleaner	Kegel
Pattern prepared by	ETBF & Kegel
Dressing done by	ETBF & Kegel

Oil Pattern:

The pattern lengths to be used in the ECC 2012 have not yet been decided. Participating federations will be informed later by e-mail about the decision of the pattern lengths. According to the ETBF rules, the patterns themselves will be published at the Team Managers Meeting.

Lane maintenance:

Kegel is the official lane maintenance company for the ECC 2012. Patterns will be prepared by the technical delegate from the ETBF and Kegel representative.

Webstream:

Throughout the tournament web/live-streaming will be available.

5. Committees

Jury of Appeal:

to be announced

ECC 2012 Championships Committee:

Tournament Director	Roni Ashkenazi
Technical Delegate	Marios Nicolaides
Host Tournament Manager	Louis van der Heijden

ECC 2012 Host Tournament Committee:

Chairman of the Host Tourn. Committee	Ad van der Jagt
Host Tournament Manager	Louis van der Heijden
Public Relations	Jan Jaap van der Sar
Coordination	Bettina Lund
Media Director	to be announced
Referees	to be announced
Results	to be announced
Website & Web-streaming	Yordi Straka
Logistics	to be announced
Tournament Assistants	to be announced

Organization contact:

Chairman : Ad van der Jagt
E-mail : avanderjagt@ecc2012.eu
Phone : +31 6 2251 9411

6. Facilities / Services

Website:

The official website of the ECC 2012 is www.ecc2012.eu and it will continuously be updated with all information concerning the Championships.

Press Room:

One meeting room at bowling centre will be reserved as a working media room, providing high-speed access to printers and to the internet, free of charge for all accredited press officials. Please understand that players, coaches and team managers are not allowed to use the press facilities unless they are working to provide updates to press in their home countries and have been accredited beforehand.

Results:

Teams, federations and press will be provided with scores after each game as well as with complete standings after each squad. Standings will be presented at various locations in the centre both in the spectators' area and in the players' area. In addition, all results will be published on the official website www.ecc2012.eu.

Shuttles (Airport, Accommodation, Bowling Centre):

All delegations will be met at Schiphol International Airport upon arrival and will be transported to the official bowlers accommodation. A similar delivery service will be provided for departures. Federations must provide their flight arrival and departure times with Form C to make this service work properly.

A shuttle bus service between the official Accommodation and bowling center will be provided to all players, coaches, officials and supporters with an official entry.

Please understand that we cannot provide airport transfers or shuttle services for teams arriving before October 14th or leaving after October 22nd.

Equipment storage:

Bowling equipment must be stored in a designated area at the bowling center. Follow the ball-parking signs.

Ball registration:

Prior to the start of the official practise the bowling balls to be used during competition shall be inspected and registered. The inspection shall be limited to:

- Eligibility of the ball as specified in the list of approved bowling balls
- Serial number
- Visual inspection with regard to material, surface, plugs, etc.

Farewell Banquet:

The farewell banquet will be held Sunday October 21st, 2012 from 20.00 o'clock.

Location to be announced.

Tickets for the Farewell Banquet will be charged (subject to availability), but the banquet will be complimentary for all players and members of the official delegations with a valid entry.

Unofficial practice:

Lanes will be available for unofficial practice on Monday October 15th from 10.00 – 21.00.
Squad times for the unofficial practice being every hour.
Limited number of lanes may be available in some squads due to lane maintenance.

For the unofficial practice, the lanes will be dressed with two lane patterns, but these patterns will not be the official tournament patterns.

Bookings for unofficial practice can be made to: blund@ecc2012.eu or using the official form. All bookings are available on first come, first served basis.
Payment can be made by invoice together with entry fees or on site prior to the practice session.

Practice fee is 30,- EUR for one pair for one hour.
Lanes will be dressed at least after two hours of play.

Please check in for your unofficial practice session at least 20 min. prior to your reserved squad time. Unpaid bookings can be given away to other federations if federations do not show up for check-in.

7. Fees

Delegations Entry Fee:

The ECC 2012 entry fee is € 210, - per person for all players, coaches and officials as members of the official delegation. This fee includes the delegation fee to be paid to ETBF and covers participation, transports and the Farewell Banquet.

Guest:

The fee for supporters is € 100, - per person. This fee includes transports and the Farewell Banquet.

Press officials:

Unless they have any duties at ECC 2012 related to a team or federation, there will be no entry fee for accredited press officials except for participation in the Farewell Banquet.

Unofficial practice:

Fees for the unofficial practice must be paid together with fees or prior to practice on site in the center as stated in section 6. Facilities / Services.

Accommodation:

Please remember that the accommodation fees have to be paid to the Netherlands Bowling Federation as stated in section 2. Official Accommodation.

Spectators:

There will be no entrance fee for spectators to the ECC 2012.

Payment of Fees:

All fees must be paid in advance. Federations will receive an invoice after having submitted their forms and are kindly requested to transfer the entry and accommodation fees no later than September 15th 2012 *) to the following account:

Name bank account	NBF (Nederlandse Bowling Federatie)
Account number	65.03.81.815
Account IBAN	NL11 INGB 0650 3818 15
BIC / SWIFT nr.	INGBNL2A
Bank name	ING Bank N.V.
Bank address	Postbus 25, 3500 AA UTRECHT

*) We cannot accept credit card payments and have to charge penalty fees according to section 4.11.3 of the ETBF Constitution in case of late entries or withdrawals.

8. Visa information



Entry visas are required for citizens of some countries. The entry forms are not valid as visas!

This is a current list of European countries whose citizens will not need a visa if staying less than 90 days. However, all federations should confirm this information independently:

Albania*), Israel, Croatia, San Marino, Serbia*), and all European Union / Schengen countries

**) Nationals of Albania and Serbia in principle do not require a visa, unless they still have a non-bio metric passport. In that case, they require a visa, albeit at a lower fee.*

Federations for which a visa is required for a maximum stay of 3 months in the Netherlands:

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Moldavia, Russia, Turkey, The Ukraine, South Africa.

Visa applicants are advised to apply at least 3 months in advance !

For detailed information see the website of the Ministry of the interior and Kingdom Relations http://www.minbuza.nl/en/Services/Consular_Services/Visa and attachment "Short stay visa for the Netherlands"

9. Forms / deadlines and Attachments.

Please pay attention to the crucial deadlines mentioned below. You will also be able to download every single form as a Microsoft-Word-file from www.ecc2012.eu to be filled in electronically and to be submitted through e-mail to blund@ecc2012.eu
Attached flyers will be in PDF file format and can also be downloaded from the website www.ecc2012.eu

Attached to this bulletin are the following forms:

Form A: Entry form The deadline for Form A is June 30th, 2012.

Please return this form even if you do not want to participate in the ECC 2012. Federations sending the Entry Form later than June 30th, 2012 will not be able to participate in the European Champions Cup 2012. No exceptions for any reason can be made for those missing the deadline.

Form B: Accommodation form Deadline for Form B is June 30th, 2012.

Please return this form even if you choose to accommodate your delegation at any other hotel than the official accommodation. All reservations must be made through the Host Tournament Committee using Form B and bookings have to be paid **in advance** to the Host Tournament Committee **as described in section 7**. We cannot provide shuttle services from/to the airport or from/to the bowling center for federations that decide to stay in any other hotel.
Federations sending the Accommodation Form B later than June 30th. 2012 cannot expect to be accommodated in the official accommodation at the special ECC rates. These special rates will not apply to reservations made directly with the accommodation.

Form A: Entry form	The deadline for Form A is June 30 th , 2012.
Form B: Accommodation Form	The deadline for Form B is June 30 th , 2012.
Form C: Arrival and Departure	The deadline for Form C is August 31 th , 2012.
Form D: Names in Delegation	The deadline for Form D is August 31 th , 2012.
Form E: Room list with names	The deadline for Form D is August 31 th , 2012.
Form F: List of guests	The deadline for Form F is August 31 th , 2012.
Form G: Press Accreditation	The deadline for Form G is August 31 th , 2012.
Form H: Ball registration form	The deadline for Form H is October 15 th , 2012
Form I: Unofficial practice form	The deadline for Form I is October 15 th , 2012
Attachment Visa information	"Short stay visa for the Netherlands" (Ministry of the interior and Kingdom Relations)