

2026 JOOLA® EUROPE YOUTH SERIES



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1. Dates

Tuesday, 03.02.2026. - Saturday, 07.02.2026.

2. Authority

Croatian Table Tennis Association, under the authority of the European Table Tennis Union (ETTU), shall organize the 2026 EYS Croatia Open.

3. Organizer

Croatian Table Tennis Association

Address: Trg Krešimira Ćosića 11, Zagreb, Croatia

E-mail : hsts@hsts.hr

4. Venue

Venue : NŠD Gradski vrt

Address : Kneza Trpimira 23, Osijek

Competition tables : **16**

Open for practice: **02.02.2026.**

5. Practice hall :

Practice Hall 1: in the same complex, next to the main hall

Address : Kneza Trpimira 23, Osijek

Number of tables : **8**

Open for practice: **02.02.2026.**

6. General schedule and Events :

Tuesday, 03.02.2026.	U15 XT	Group Stage
	U13 XT	Group Stage
Wednesday, 04.02.2026.	U15 XT	Main Draw and B finals
	U13 XT	Main Draw and B finals
Thursday, 05.02.2026.	U15 BS	Group Stage
	U15 GS	Group Stage
	U13 BS	Group Stage
	U13 GS	Group Stage
	U15 XT	Final Matches (Main Draw and B final)
	U13 XT	Final Matches (Main Draw and B final)
	U15 BD	Main Draw
	U15 GD	Main Draw
	U13 BD	Main Draw
	U13 GD	Main Draw

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Friday, 06.02.2026.	U15 BS	Main Draw and B finals
	U15 GS	Main Draw and B finals
	U13 BS	Main Draw and B finals
	U13 GS	Main Draw and B finals
	U15 BD	Main Draw
	U15 GD	Main Draw
	U13 BD	Main Draw
	U13 GD	Main Draw
Saturday, 07.02.2026.	U15 BS	Main Draw
	U15 GS	Main Draw
	U13 BS	Main Draw
	U13 GS	Main Draw
	U15 BD	Main Draw
	U15 GD	Main Draw
	U13 BD	Main Draw
	U13 GD	Main Draw

7. Eligibility

All players must be eligible to represent their Associations by the provisions of article B.1 of the ETTU Handbook.

U13 players shall be under 13 years of age on the 31st of December, immediately before the start of the year in which the tournament takes place (players born on or after 01.01.2013.).

U15 players shall be under 15 years of age on the 31st of December, immediately before the start of the year in which the tournament takes place (players born on or after 01.01.2011.).

Mandatory requirement: all players must be registered in the ITTF players database and have an ITTF ID. Without ITTF ID, entering the players for the Tournament will not be possible.

For the players who do not have an ITTF ID yet, Associations shall finish the registration process in ITTF before the entry deadline on the 09.01.2026.

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8. Entries

Maximum number of Individual entries : **224**

Maximum number of Teams entries : **56**

NUMBER OF GUARANTEED TEAMS/PLAYERS PER EVENT:

Number of guaranteed mixed teams per event per association: **1**

Number of guaranteed players per event per association: **4**

Number of guaranteed doubles per event per association: **2**

Number of guaranteed mixed teams per event for the host association: **3**

Number of guaranteed players per event for the host association: **8**

Number of guaranteed doubles per event for the host association: **4**

In the Online Entry System, Associations can enter more players/teams than the guaranteed number of players/teams for an event.

After the Entry Deadline, the Competition Manager, if schedule allows, can set up the New Entry Limit for each event, which is higher than the guaranteed number.

If for any event the entry limit is changed, the Competition Manager will, latest three days after the Entry Deadline, inform Associations about the new Entry Limit and accept all players/teams up to that limit.

The ETTU Competition Manager can allow teams with players from different Associations only for players whose Associations do not reach a guaranteed number of teams per event.

It is allowed to pair players from different Association.

9. ETTU Entry Fee

The ETTU entry fee shall be 15 € for each participating player, payable to the LOC.

10. Online entries

Online entries will be open from **Monday, 15.12.2026. to Friday, 09.01.2026.**

ETTU online entry system will be used (<https://www.ttm.co.at/onlineentries/users/login>)

11. Entries Modification

Associations can enter and modify their online entries until **Monday, 09.01.2026. (deadline for final entries)**. After the deadline on 09.01., changes in the entries are possible until **Sunday**

01.02. at 12:00 local time (CET) by sending a request to the a request to the Tournament Competition Manager Viktoria Lucenkova (viktoria.lu@gmail.com) by email and copying the ETTU Competition Director (competition@ettu.org)

12. Playing Format

According to EYS Sport Specific Information published on the website (Chapter 6, Playing Format)

<https://www.ettu.org/en/events/europe-youth-series/regulations--amp--documents/>

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13. Draw and Team Delegates Meeting

The team events draw will be on Monday, **02.02.2026. at 13:00 at the venue.**

The first draws for individual events will be on Tuesday, **03.02.2026.**

Seeding for team events shall be based on the **January 2026 U13 and U15 European Ranking**, considering the number of individual ranking points for the 2 highest ranked boys entered and the 2 highest ranked girls entered in a team.

Seeding for the individual events shall be based on the **January 2026 U13 and U15 European Ranking.**

The Team Delegates Meeting will be on **Monday, 02.02.2026. at 18:00 at the venue.**

14. Referees and Umpires

Referee : **PRŠA Željko (CRO)**

Deputy Referee : **ZAPATA Carlos (ESP)**

15. Tournament Director

Tournament director: **KNEŽEVIĆ Dragan**

Telephone : +385 91 5379115

E-mail address : eyc.croatiaopen@gmail.com

16. Competition Manager

Competition manager: **LUCENKOVA Viktoria**

Telephone : +356 9992 3134

E-mail address : viktoria.lu@gmail.com

17. Equipment:

Tables : TIBHAR Smash 28/R, blue

Balls : Joola Prime

Nets: TIBHAR Smash, blue

Flooring : Gerflor, blue

18. Hospitality

Official Hotels:

Hotel*:** Hotel Millennium, Osijek

Address : Ulica Kralja Petra Svačića 12, osijek

Price single room per day per person : 140 €

Price double room per day per person : 125 €

Price triple room per day per person : 110 €

Website : <https://www.hotel-millennium.hr/>

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Hotel*:** Hotel Maksimilian

Address: Franjevačka ul. 12, Osijek

Price single room per day per person: 140 €

Price double room per day per person: 125 €

Price triple room per day per person: 110 €

Website: <https://maksimilian.hr/>

Hotel*:** Fitea pansion

Address: Srijemska 27, Osijek

Price single room per day per person: 140 €

Price double room per day per person: 125 €

Price triple room per day per person: 110 €

Website: <https://www.fitea.hr/>

Hotel*:** Hotel Zoo

Address: Sjevernodravska obala bb, Osijek

Price single room per day per person: 140 €

Price double room per day per person: 125 €

Price triple room per day per person: 110 €

Website: <https://zoo-hotel.hr/>

Hotel**:** Hotel Villa Valpovo

Address: Ul. bana Josipa Jelačića 1, Valpovo

Price single room per day per person: 140 €

Price double room per day per person: 125 €

Price triple room per day per person: 110 €

Website: <https://draganmilec.wixsite.com/hotel-villa-valpovo>

Accommodation details deadline: **Wednesday, 14.01.2026.**

An Association cancelling a person of their registered delegation after the deadline of the final entries up to 15 days before the tournament starts (**until 19.01.2026.**) and arriving with fewer persons than announced shall pay a cancellation fee of **100 € per person** to the organising Association.

An Association cancelling a person from their registered delegation within the last 15 days before the tournament (including and after **20.01.2026**) and arriving with fewer persons than announced must pay **100% of the hospitality costs for the whole** period; this person was initially booked.

ETTU will cover the full accommodation cost for one **female** coach from member associations in categories 3 and 4. Additionally, ETTU will cover 50% of the accommodation costs for one **female** coach from associations in categories 1 and 2. For reference, you can find the list of ITTF <https://www.ettu.org/?proxy=redaktion/About%20ETTU/Development/ITTF-MA-categories->

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19. Hospitality costs payment

Official accommodation package costs shall be paid in advance by bank transfer to the following account:

Account name holder : HSTS SPORT d.o.o
Bank : ERSTE&STEIERMARKISCHE BANK
Bank address: Jadranski trg 3a, Rijeka 51000, Croatia
IBAN number : HR0624020061100770955
Swift-BIC number : ESBCHR22

Deadline for payment: 29.1.2026

Payment in cash is not possible.

20. Transport

Official airport: Belgrade Airport

Official Train station: Osijek Train Station

The Organizer will provide transport from both Belgrade Airport and Osijek Train Station to the official hotel and return free of charge.

Traveling details deadline: Wednesday, 14.01.2026.

21. Medical

Permanent medical service (first aid and physiotherapist) will be provided in the hall during the Tournament (02.02.-07.02.2026.)

22. Insurance

By entering the event, each Association must ensure that all delegation members have medical, travel and other appropriate insurance.

23. Visa

Associations needing a visa for entering Croatia are kindly requested to address their wishes to :

Contact person : **ZAJEC Josipa**
E-mail address : josipa.zajec@gmail.com
Telephone : +385 98 9856809

24. Accreditation

For all teams Accreditation will be in the :

hall Gradski Vrt

Working hours of accreditation office :

09:00-22:00, Tuesday 02.02.2026.

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25. Information for participants

By entering the event, players agree to abide by all ITTF and ETTU rules and regulations. All entered Associations and individual participants* agree to be under the auspices of the ETTU and its agents in all matters concerning television coverage, video, internet web casting, motion picture coverage, and photographic coverage of any kind. Participants* release all rights, or rights held by their agents or sponsors, in all matters relating to television and web casting coverage, video and motion picture coverage, and photographic coverage of any kind. A participant's* refusal of the coverage listed above may be subject to suspension or dismissal

***holder of parental responsibility over participant in case participant is underaged.**

In the context of betting participants shall not, by any manner whatsoever, infringe the principle of fair play, show unsporting conduct, or attempt to influence the course or result of a competition, or any part thereof, in a manner contrary to sporting ethics. Any violation of this principle shall be disciplined according to provisions of ITTF Regulations 3.5.3.

ETTU nor its media partner is offering ETTU events and competitions for underaged, to betting companies and so any betting opportunity is not controlled and not legal.

26. Privacy policy

By registering and entering the 2026 JOOLA EYS Croatia Open, each registered and entered person agrees and gives his/her consent* to the ETTU Privacy Policy as laid down on the ETTU website (www.ettu.org/privacy-policy/)

***for registered persons being younger than 16 years, consent is given by the holder of parental responsibility**

27. Players names on the shirts

Printed names on the shirts are not mandatory for the players. Number on the Accreditation Card will be used.

28. Key Dates :

Final Entries :	Friday, 09.01.2026.
Accommodation details deadline :	Wednesday, 14.01.2026.
Traveling details deadline :	Wednesday, 14.01.2026.
Payment deadline :	Tuesday, 27.01.2026.
Changes/Substitutions deadline :	Sunday, 01.02.2026. at 12:00 (CET)