7 August 2026

Item covered in this letter:

- **European Champion Clubs Cup (ECCC) Cross Country 2027**

Dear Friends,

This letter sets out to supply you with further information in relation to

European Champion Clubs Cup (ECCC) Cross Country 2027.

The next edition of the European Champion Clubs Cup (ECCC) Cross Country will take place on 7 February 2027 in Albufeira/POR.

The corresponding regulations can also be found at **(Appendix 1)**

Please take note of since major change since the 2022 edition as well as the key rules that aim to increase the Member Federations and clubs' participation and the number of scoring teams in the ECCC Cross Country:

- **The race distances between men and women are identical in the U20 and Senior categories.**
- Besides the separate events for U20 and Senior Men and Women, the event program will still feature a Senior Mixed Relay
- In addition to the Club recognised as National Champion U20 and Senior Men and Women of the preceding year, also the Vice-Champion Club, will be eligible to take part, to allow each Member Federation to participate in the ECCC Cross Country with at least two club teams.
- For Mixed Relay in addition to the Club recognised as National Champion of the preceding year, also the Vice-Champion Club and the third qualify will be eligible to take part, to allow each Member Federation to participate in the ECCC Cross Country Mixed Relay with at least three club teams.
- Moreover, there is still provision for replacements for the Member Federations that do not have National Championships for any of the categories/events or that do not have a club system.
- Moreover, the first 3 (three) placed clubs of the previous ECCC Cross Country Cup competition in each event and the organiser (if a club) will be eligible to compete with one team in that same event, in addition to the above point, being such a right not transferable to any other club.
- Each team will be able to enter a maximum of six (6) athletes in each event, of which neither less than three (3), nor more than four (4) shall be allowed to start the race and the teams' scoring shall be determined by the aggregate of finishing positions achieved by its three (3) best-placed athletes.

Please refer to the financial conditions in clause 1310.1.1. & 1310.6.1

According to Regulation 1310.1.1 the organising club undertakes to cover accommodation and full board costs of each participating team (except the host) for no more than 2 (two) days and for a maximum of 3 athletes in each race, 4 in the Senior Mixed Relay and 1 official.

In case the U20 Team is from the same club as the Senior team, the Organiser will not cover the accommodation costs for any additional official for the U20 Team.

According to Regulation 1310.6.1 each participating team (except the host) should pay a contribution of 600 € (price to be charged per night is 300 €) to the organiser (at the venue) for accommodation to be provided by the organiser, according to the above quota.
The following rates must be paid by the teams for "out of quota" team members and additional days:

Team Members	Single room	Twin(2) room
Out of quota Athletes / Officials	140€ per person/night	120€ per person/night
Athletes and Officials Additional nights	140€ per person/night	120€ per person/night

- Full board price
- All prices include meals and VAT.
- The out-of-quota meals will be charging 25€ per meal.
- All Clubs will be accommodated at same hotel.

  AP Adriana Beach Resort
  Rocha Baixinha, Apartado 6115, 8200 – 379 Albufeira, Algarve
  +351 289540105
  https://ap-hotelsresorts.com/es/adriana/

- The official arrival and departure airport is Faro (Portugal)

The following contribution must be paid to the organiser by each participating club team to following account:

- Bank account name: Associação de Atletismo do Algarve
- Bank name: Novo Banco
- Bank address: Rua D. Francisco Gomes, n.º 25, 8000-306 Faro
- IBAN: PT50 0007 0000 0020 6750 2632 3
- Swift N°: BESCPTPL

Registration fee: EUR 300, which must be paid at the latest by the date of the closing of preliminary entries.

Note. Any participating club team, not paid the registration fee by the date specified above, shall be liable to pay the registration fee increased by 25%.

To clarify this rule if a Club enters 4 teams on ECCC Albufeira they must pay 1200€ (4 x 300€) as a registration fee, plus accommodation support of 2400€ (4 x 600€) , and according to extra persons traveling with the team and additional cost as informed above.

Member Federations will have to provide European Clubs Foundation with the official results of their National Clubs Championships of the preceding year and confirm the participation of their club teams in the 2027 ECCC Cross Country by **Thursday 26 November 2026** through the attached form **(Appendix 2)**.

Participating Clubs must sent Preliminary entries by **Thursday 26 November 2026** through the attached form **(Appendix 3)**.

Should Member Federations not have staged their National Clubs Championships before Monday 26 November 2026, they must inform European Clubs Foundation by email joseluis.decarlos@european-athletics.org when the 2026 Championships will be held.

The following deadlines shall also be considered:

- Preliminary Entries on 26 November 2026
- Final Entries on 28 January 2027

European Clubs Foundation will provide Member Federations with further information about the event in due time.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in the organisation of the ECCC Cross Country and please do not hesitate to contact us for any clarification you may need.

Kind regards

Cherry Alexander – Chair of ~EA Events and Competition Commission

Appendices
App 1 ECCC Cross Country 2027 - Regulations (as of August 2026)
App 2 ECCC Cross Country 2027 - Registration Form
App 3 ECCC Cross Country 2027 – Preliminary Entries Form