



BELGIAN SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP 2025

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1.1. The Belgian Padel Senior Championship is a competition organized in alternance each year by TPWB Padel and Padel Vlaanderen.
- 1.2. The Belgian Padel Senior Championship is a competition for players affiliated to TPWB Padel or Padel Vlaanderen that concern the age categories included in this Regulation (see 1.5).
- 1.3. The Belgian Padel Senior Championships will be played from 10 until 16 February.
- 1.4. All matches will be played at Mokko Padel.
- 1.5. The organized categories are the following:
 - MEN +40 (born in 1985 and before)
 - MEN +45 (born in 1980 and before)
 - MEN +50 (born in 1975 and before)
 - MEN +55 (born in 1970 and before)
 - MEN +60 (born 1965 and before)
 - WOMEN +40 (born in 1985 and before)
 - WOMEN +45 (born in 1980 and before)
 - WOMEN +50 (born in 1975 and before)
 - WOMEN +55 (born in 1970 and before)
- 1.6. Padel Belgium provides new balls for each match (no changing balls during matches).
- 1.7. Out-of-court play is only permitted if the court has an official out-of-court play safety area*.

*The official out-of-court play safety area is defined based on the FIP regulations: 2m wide, 8m long, 3m high and the access must be protected in its three sides (later, upper, net post) with a product to cushion against player contact.

- 1.8. All matches are played without a referee. In case of a dispute, the tournament referee can be requested at the court.

2. REGISTRATIONS

- 2.1. Only players with the Belgian nationality can register.
- 2.2. Teams need to register by pair through the system of the organizing federation.
- 2.3. Tournament registration costs 20 euros per player.
- 2.4. For all age categories (see 1.5) there are 16 team spots for men and women. Exception: the +55 women category will only have 8 team spots.
- 2.5. Men/women can only register in their own gender.
- 2.6. Only players with level minimum P400 (male) and P200 (female) are allowed. Exceptions:
 - Men +55 and 60+ minimum level P300
- 2.7. Each player can only register for 1 category.

- 2.8. Players are not allowed to play in an age category older than their own age category.
- 2.9. If a pair consists of players from different age categories, the pair shall play the category of the youngest player of the pair or any other younger age category. Example: Player A is 47 years old, player B is 56 years old. This pair can participate in the +45 category (or younger).
- 2.10. Tournament registrations open 4 weeks before the start of the tournament and close on Tuesday night 23.59 the week before the tournament. No exceptions are allowed after the closing of the registrations. Padel Belgium reserves the right to change the closing date due to unforeseen circumstances.
- 2.11. Players must be fully available during the indicated playing moments of the category they sign in. The indicative playing schedule is communicated when registrations open. If not available, players may not enter the tournament. Non availability after the closing of the registrations is equal to Forfait (= Walk Over non excusé).
- 2.12. If the maximum number of registrations is reached, the organization will reject registrations based on the lowest sum of 'klassesment / classement' of both players (player A + player B). In case of an ex aequo, the team that has the highest teamranking (position player A + Player B) of the TPWB ranking/ Padel Tour ranking Padel Vlaanderen will be able to participate. If a player has a ranking in both, TPWB and PVL, the best ranking is taken into account.

3. TOURNAMENT FORMAT

- 3.1. A single elimination tournament draw will be used with a maximum of 16 teams registered and 8 teams for the +55 women category. If there are 16 teams, they will all start in last 16.
- 3.2. In the best possible way, the matches of players who proceed to the next round will be scheduled in such a way that these players have 2 matches on 1 day / evening. Players can request a break of maximum 30 minutes between two matches.
- 3.3. All matches are played to two winning sets and a full third set in case of a third set. Exception: +60 category plays a match tie-break in case of a third set.
- 3.4. All matches are played with Golden Point.
- 3.5. Coaching is allowed according to the following rules :
 - During the changeover between games/sets. Exception, coaching is not allowed during tie-breaks.
 - The coach must be seated on the bench next to the court during the complete duration of the match. When a coach leaves this seat, he/she is not allowed to coach during that match anymore (except toilet break).
 - Only 1 coach per match is allowed to coach a team.
 - Players that participate to the tournament are not allowed to coach other players. Exception, a male player may coach a female player and the other way around.

4. COMPOSITION OF THE FINAL DRAW

- 4.1. The supervisor representing Padel Belgium will make draws.
- 4.2. Depending on the number of registrations, there will be 1 seed per 4 registrations placed on the main draw. These seeds are determined by the sum of 'klassesment/classement' of both players (player A + players B). In case there is an ex aequo, toss will decide.

Draw with 4 seeds (draw 1/8 final):

- Seed 1 top of the draw
 - Seed 2 bottom of the draw
 - Seed 3 and 4 are placed by draw and can only play seeds 1 and 2 in 1/2 finals
- 4.3. After the draw is published, the following must be applied:
A team (both players) that is not available on the planned moment can:
 - Unregister from the tournament, this will result in a forfait (non excusé) or a walk-over (excusé) depending on the reason.
 - Be replaced by a reserve team (only if the sum of "klassesment/classement" is not higher than the team being replaced)

- That team still have to pay the entry fee if there is no team that can replace them

A team in which only 1 player is available can:

- Replace 1 player
 - The “klassement/classement” can never be higher than the player being replaced

The following is not allowed:

- 2 teams may not split up and form new teams
- Teams cannot be switched in the draw

5. CLUB CONDITIONS

5.1. Padel Belgium provides balls, trophies, branding

5.2. Padel Belgium pays the referee (80€/evening, 150€ full day + km) and the courts (15€/h)

5.3. The club provides extra gifts to the finalists and winners

5.4. The club books the courts in their system in collaboration with the federation including warming up courts

5.5. Padel Belgium does the schedule and communicates it to the referee and club