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A warm Irish welcome to Limerick, the land of "Cead Mile Failte" or "A Hundred Thousand Welcomes."

The World Flying Disc Federation (WFDF) 2021 World Under-24 Ultimate Championships (WU24) is taking place at the University of Limerick (UL), Ireland. WU24 will be held from Saturday 3rd to Saturday 10th of July inclusive over eight (8) days, the world's best Under-24 mixed, women's and open teams from all over the world will compete for the world titles in Limerick.

Joining the some 8 million yearly overseas visitors to Ireland, it is estimated that 50 teams from over 30 nations comprising approximately 1100 athletes will take part in the WFDF World Under-24 Ultimate Championships and will be staying in and around the city of Limerick for the week of the tournament. There will be a number of social events taking place throughout the week to enable teams and players to immerse themselves in the Irish culture and to experience the Limerick charm, while making friends within the Ultimate Community for life.

Limerick is located in Ireland's Shannon Region and is famous for being the home of High Kings, castles, culture, sport, the Cliffs of Moher and the Burren, and WFDF and the LOC are excited to use WU24 as your gateway to the picture postcard appeal of the Wild Atlantic Way.

On the following pages you will find the details you need to begin the WU24 pre-registration process. Please pay attention to action points highlighted in green. We've also included some extra details on transport and accommodation to help you with your decision planning, however all teams are reminded strongly that NO BOOKINGS for flights, visas, hotels should be made until we open the REGISTRATION for the event next year once we are sure it is viable and safe to host the event due to the pandemic.

Should you have any immediate questions that affect your ability to pre-register your teams, please feel free to reach out to either of us. All WFDF member National Federations are welcome to participate at WU24 in the U24 Mixed, Open and Women's divisions. Any player who is fourteen (14) years old or older and is not turning twenty-four (24) years old or older during 2021 will be eligible to play if endorsed by the NF as part of the roster.

We look forward to hosting you in Limerick Ireland next year.

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#### **Event Dates**

WU24 will be a eight (8) day tournament from Saturday 3rd through Saturday 10th July, 2021.

The Coaches & Captains' Meeting & the Spirit Captains' meeting will take place on Saturday 3rd July, 2021 around midday. Attendance by at least one (1) representative for EACH TEAM is required to attend each meeting. For capacity reasons a limit will be two (2) people per team per meeting.

The Opening Ceremony will take place in the early afternoon of Saturday 3rd July followed by the Opening Game and first round of games (if the schedule requires). Times for the Opening Ceremony and Opening Game will be advised at a later time, however we do expect each team (in uniform) to participate in the Parade of Nations during the Opening Ceremony and to be available to play the first round. Please plan your travel accordingly.

The Finals Day will be Saturday 10th July, with the Medal and Closing Ceremonies taking place immediately after the finals.

Should weather cause delays to play, the schedule will be adjusted accordingly to ensure the finals are played as scheduled on Day 8 or prior.

#### Teams & Divisions

All WFDF National Federation (NF) members are invited to participate at WU24 in Limerick with each NF automatically entitled to one (1) bid per division; Under-24 Mixed (U24X), Under-24 Open (U24O), and Under-24 Women's (U24W).

WFDF member NF's in good standing will be entitled to send teams and are requested to fill out the pre-registration for all divisions you want to send a team. Based on the interest received, the WFDF Ultimate Committee will allocate bids accordingly. With 88 WFDF member countries, it is important that every member fills out the Expression Of Interest (even if you are not coming) so that bids can be allocated accurately based on the Bid allocation rules.

The event is open to all players who are fourteen (14) years old or older and must not turn twenty-four (24) years old during the calendar year of 2021. WU24 is a National Team event, therefore your team should be a representation of your Nation (not a club team). (i.e. Players born PRIOR to 1st January 1998 are not eligible).

There is a chance that not all NF's will get all the bids for teams they are interested in sending, WFDF will be in touch as soon as we know the results of the pre-registration per division.



# Local Organising Committee

The event will be headed up by Barry Walsh and Liam Grant, with a Local Organising Committee of dedicated key staff consisting of Andrew Meade, Fiona Vaughan, Brian O'Sullivan, Christopher Tinkler and Nuala O'Donovan. This group has been the driving force behind the organisation and delivery of major Ultimate tournaments in Limerick over the past eight years and they are committed to delivering a world class WU24.

The Siege of Limerick, Ireland's largest Ultimate tournament attracting teams from all over Europe and as far as North America, and a host of both outdoor and indoor All Ireland National Championship tournaments are run through the same organising team. The Siege of Limerick annually hosts 32 teams and approximately 600 players/volunteers, and the LOC are confident in scaling up our operations to a World Championships sized event with experience and ambition.

#### **About WFDF**

The World Flying Disc Federation is the international sports federation responsible for world governance of flying disc (frisbee) sports, including Ultimate, Beach Ultimate, Disc Golf, Guts, and Individual Events. WFDF is a federation of member associations that represent flying disc sports and their athletes in more than 85 countries. WFDF is an international federation recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC), the International Paralympic Committee (IPC), and the International University Sports Federation (FISU), a member of the Global Association of International Sports Federations (GAISF), the Association of IOC Recognised International Sports Federations (ARISF), the International World Games Association (IWGA), and the International Masters Games Association (IMGA), and it is a registered not-for-profit 501(c)(3) corporation in the state of Colorado, USA.





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#### Location & Venue Maps

The WFDF 2021 World Under-24 Ultimate Championships is taking place across the North and South campus field sites of the University of Limerick.

A mixture of high quality grass and 3G pitches will provide athletes with fantastic fields of play. The two sites are located at either end of the University campus approximately 20 minutes walk from each other. It is a tightly packed campus designed for students to be able to walk anywhere in a few minutes.



# South Campus (https://goo.gl/maps/yTxddtJEx62vQwum6)

- 'The Bowl': One (1) grass pitch, including Showcase Field 1
- 'Maguires Field': Six (6) synthetic grass pitches, three (3) grass pitches
- 'Ten Acres': Six (6) grass pitches
- Located beside Kilmurry Student Village



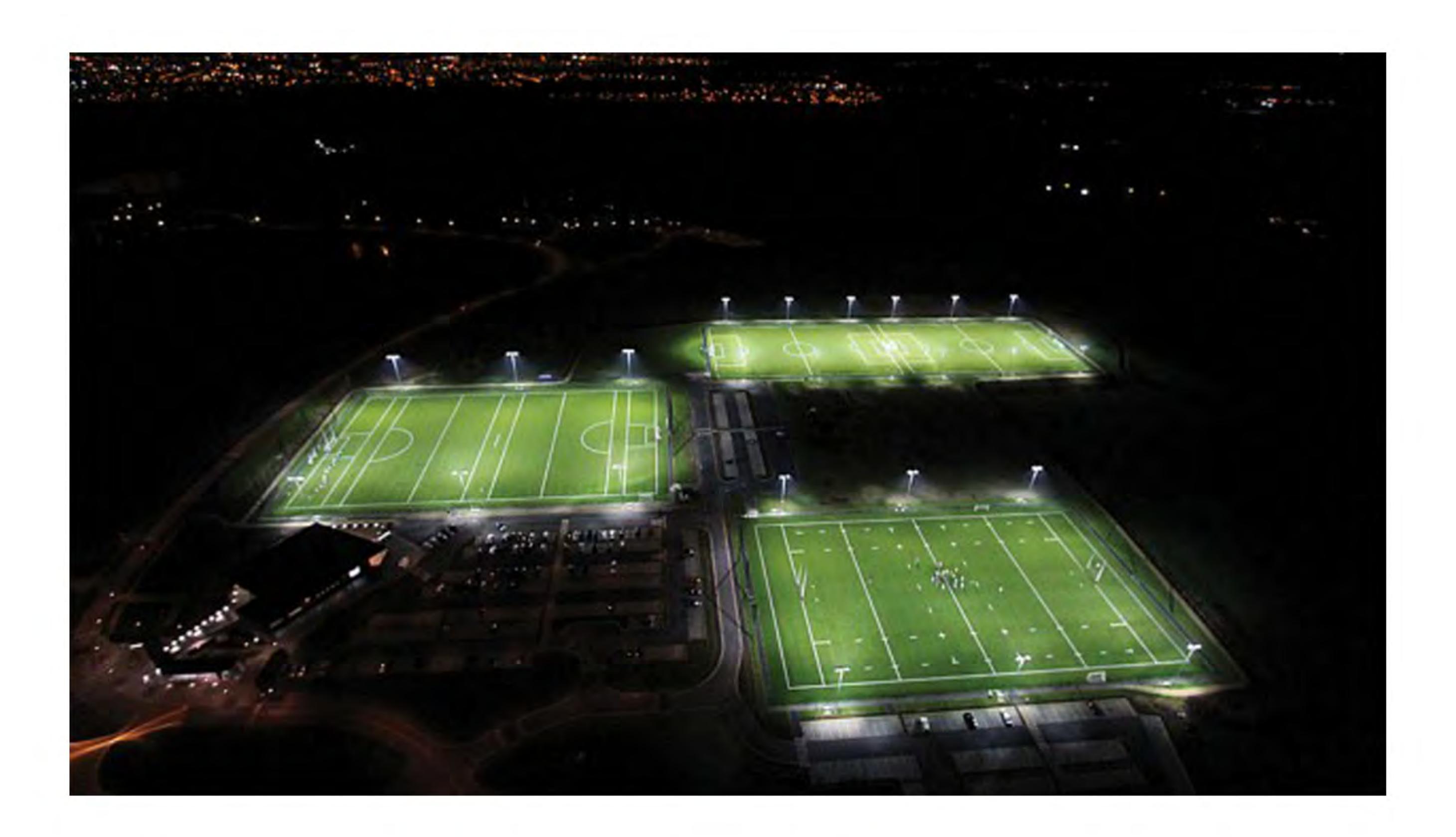
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North Campus https://goo.gl/maps/GeqNbYwpsywuJKDh8)

- Five (5) 3G artificial grass pitches

- 'Boat House': One (1) further backup grass pitch a short walk away

- Located beside Cappavilla Student Village



Limerick itself is part of Ireland's Shannon Region is famous for being the home of High Kings, castles, culture, sport, the majestic river Shannon, the Cliffs of Moher and the Burren. It is Ideally positioned in the southwest of Ireland, acting as your gateway to The Wild Atlantic Way.

To find out more about Limerick and the surrounding Shannon Region, visit www.limerick.ie.

#### Climate

The climate of Ireland can be described as a maritime influenced, mild and humid climate. May to mid-September is by far the warmest and generally the dryer time of year relatively speaking. In summer, temperatures generally fall in a range of 15°C to 20°C, but sometimes they can reach up to 25°C or even higher.





#### Atmosphere

This tournament will be centred around players and the LOC is focused on delivering an amazing experience and creating a fun atmosphere throughout the week. The University campus in Limerick (UL) is key to creating this atmosphere, with all essential facilities and playing venues located within walking distance to the housing. Entertainment and activities throughout the day and evenings will ensure players love every minute of this event – even when not on the field!

#### Transport

UL is Ireland's premier university campus, having an array of student village accommodations, restaurants, shops and world class sporting facilities. As a result, it is expected that athletes/staff will be able to walk from their accommodation to the various points within the venue with ease.

Getting to and from Ireland has never been easier or more affordable. There are daily direct flights to Ireland from a wide range of cities in the UK, US, Europe and the UAE. Thanks to two major low cost Irish airlines – Ryanair and Aer Lingus – as well as dozens of other international carriers, our international airports in Dublin and Shannon are able to welcome more and more visitors from all over the world into Ireland every single day.

Shannon Airport allows visitors to arrive straight into the heart of the Wild Atlantic Way, only 30 minutes from Limerick City. It is the primary international airport facilitating flights in and out of the West Coast of Ireland. It has daily summer flights to cities such as New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Paris, Barcelona, Frankfurt, Vienna, Faro, London Heathrow, Edinburgh, Manchester and many more. A private shuttle can be arranged to bring you to the University of Limerick campus. The journey should take about 30 minutes and cost approximately €10 per person when booking for a group. Public transport and taxi services are also available.

From Dublin Airport, players and staff will have a number of options in getting to Limerick. The most common method of travel will be via bus, which there are many services running on the hour daily from Dublin Airport directly to the University of Limerick campus. This journey costs €15-20 one way per person. You can also rent cars at Dublin Airport and the journey to Limerick is a 2-2.5 hour drive.

Teams should make enquiries about flights, however no flights should be booked until after the team registration is closed and after WFDF confirms each team on the bid list. This will happen around 15th January 2021.





# Accommodation & Bookings

All player and staff accommodation will be on the University campus.

The University of Limerick is situated on a superb riverside campus of over 130 hectares, with the River Shannon as a unifying focal point. The attractive on-campus accommodation is in the style of residential villages of individual apartments or houses.

The event venue can accommodate up to 2700 guests in high quality apartments with both ensuite and non-ensuite rooms available. These modern complexes offer spacious accommodation with shared living/kitchen areas, enabling teams to have the option to cater for themselves. All residential villages are located on the beautiful parkland of the University campus.

#### Kilmurry Village

- Euro €42.5 per person per night
- All rooms will be individual rooms
- Shared bathrooms
- House sizes will vary from 4, 6, 8 beds. A house is a number of rooms grouped together with a shared kitchen and common area.
- Located beside main South Campus field site and Tournament HQ

#### Cappavilla Village

- Euro €42.5 per person per night
- All rooms will be individual rooms
- Ensuite rooms
- Apartment sizes will vary from 4, 6, 8 beds. An apartment is a number of rooms grouped together with a shared kitchen and common area.
- Located beside North Campus field site

Accommodation information will be distributed via email to each National Federation in January 2021. All information regarding accommodation types, costs and booking will also be displayed on the tournament website.

There will be a simple online booking request form set up on WU24 website. Deadlines for final numbers and payments for accommodation are currently provisional and will be confirmed at a later date.

Information on additional off-site hotel accommodation for family and spectators can be found on our website.

Teams that book outside the official event accommodations, will be responsible for getting to and from the venue daily at your own cost. Parking will be available onsite at no charge. Transport to and from the official after party will be provided from the UL return. No added pickups will be arranged.



#### Food

On-site catering will be available through several high quality restaurants on the University campus. There will be options to opt-in for pre-paid weekly meal deals for breakfast, lunch and dinner or there will be options to buy what you need at the venue to get you through the day. These options will be provided via the next bulletin after registration closes.

#### Health & Medical

All event participants (athletes, coaches and team support) are recommended to obtain travel insurance prior to booking and health insurance before leaving your home country.

The Irish healthcare system is based on individuals carrying personal insurance. WFDF and the WU24 LOC does not provide coverage for participants. There are always risks associated with playing Ultimate. Although WU24 will have medical staff on site to deal with first aid and assess critical injuries, there may be injuries in which players need medical attention that requires emergency visits to local hospitals.

WFDF and the LOC kindly request that all players and event participants acknowledge these risks and understand that WFDF and the LOC cannot be held liable for any risk or cost associated with injury or bad health at WU24. All event participants should alleviate some personal financial liability by purchasing your own travel and health insurance to make sure you are covered for any medical issues or event cancellations that could arise.

#### Visas

Once the event bid list is published and your team is registered, we encourage each team to make specific and timely enquiries about obtaining a visa to enter Ireland. Teams are responsible for obtaining the correct paperwork to visit Europe to compete at the WFDF 2021 World U24 Ultimate Championships in Limerick.

The LOC cannot provide specific advice on the process, however we do strongly recommend that you get started as soon as possible. The LOC can provide your team manager/administrator with a letter confirming your team's registration at the event.

To do that (after teams have registered and paid their fees) we require confirmation of the following details for all the members of your team:

- Full name (as shown on passport);
- Passport number;
- Date of birth;
- Role on team (i.e. player, coach, manager, etc.)

Please send the information to info@limerickultimate.com. Make sure you leave us some time to produce this document: do not assume that we can send it back the same day. Please note: we cannot and will not provide a formal "invitation" to attend the event and non-ability to enter Ireland is not grounds to request a refund for a team and/or player fees.

We recommend EVERY TEAM makes specific enquiries to fully understand visa and travel requirements.





#### Registration, Fees & Event Deadlines

WU24 2021 Divisions: Under-24 Mixed (U24X), Under-24 Open (U24O) and Under-24 Women's (U24W).

The fees are currently **estimated** (to be firmed after Friday 18th December before registration is opened) and due as follows;

FEE	COST	DEADLINE	
Online Pre-registration (obligation free)	-	Friday 18th December 2020	
Team registration - bid list drafted, invoices sent	-	Friday 15th January 2021	
Team Fee - payment	Euro €1330	Friday 12th February 2021	
Player Fee - payment	Euro €265	Friday 1st March 2021	
Non-Player Fee - payment	Euro €165	Friday 1st March 2021	
LATE fee surcharge	Euro €50	Any additions to team after 15th February 2021	

- WFDF will invoice and collect all fees for WU24.
- All fees are in EURO € (please ensure your payment is made in the right currency)
- The team fee is NOT reimbursable for any team that withdraws. WFDF will provide a full team free refund, if during the registration process, it is decided the event does not have the critical mass of teams needed to proceed.
- The player fee can be transferred to another player but is NOT reimbursable (subject to certain exceptions and restrictions)
- All bank fees and transfer charges are at the cost of the payer if there are any outstanding monies they will be collected in cash during on-site event registration
- All fees will be confirmed and clearly outlined AFTER team pre-registration closes

Player Fees will include event accreditation, field and roster access for play, access to all player zones and meetings, access to the party and also the event gift and can access the podium to receive medals.

Non-playing Team Support fees are for people traveling and associated with the team (coaches, medics, support, admin and guests) but are not taking the field to play. They will receive the same benefits as a player but will not be on any roster and are not entitled to play. Spectators are non-accredited individuals who will not be able to participate with the team or take part in any of the event or team functions and will be treated as spectators.



Note: To pre-register your team, please follow the steps carefully outlined below: Complete the online *pre-registration form* by using the following link and submit PRIOR to Friday 18th December 2020.

All WFDF member National Federations are kindly requested to fill out the **pre-registration form** to express an interest to participate at WU24 2021. A bid allocation list will be compiled by the WFDF Events Team using the data collected from pre-registration. WFDF will then make firm bid offers to each Member National Federation (NF) for each division on Monday 21 December 2020.

Each NF will then have the opportunity to accept or decline the bids offered and to allocate the team contacts for the teams they endorse to fill each bid. Not all teams pre-registered will be assured a place at the tournament. All responses for pre-registration from NF's should be received no later than Friday 18th December 2020.

A full bid list with Countries Participating will be published via press release and the event website after the team fees are collected by the due date of Friday 12th February 2021. Please check to see if your team has been selected to participate at WU24 or if you are on the waitlist.

Please note - adding extra bids, or changing from one division to another after the pre-registration closes is not possible - all NF's are asked to carefully consider their choices when filling out the pre-registration divisions you wish to send a team.



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# Pre-Registration Deadlines

While we recognise that the Coronavirus pandemic creates a lot of uncertainties around your planning to attend next years event, we must also proceed with the planning in the hopes to be ready for an event in July. Please free free to reach out to WDFD Events Team - karina.woldt@wfdf.sport to talk through any challenges, concerns or restrictions you might have in your country if it is affecting your ability to pre-register.

FEE	NOTE	DEADLINE
Online Pre-registration	Return of EOI for teams interested in playing at WU24 2021	Friday 18th December 2020
Formal bid allocation released	Formal bid allocation from WFDF sent to NF's	Monday 21st December 2020
Invoices sent		Friday 15th January 2021
Team Fee due	€1330	Friday 12th February 2021
Accommodation booking online form opens		Monday 15th February 2021
Teams confirm number of players and guests for invoicing		Monday 15th February 2021
Player fee and Non-player fee due		Friday 1st March 2021
Final payment of LATE player registration fees		Friday 2nd April 2021
Final roster due		Monday 24th May 2021

#### Covid-19 Pandemic

On or before 31st December 2020, WFDF in consultation with the LOC will review health and safety recommendations of international authorities such as the World Health Organisation (WHO), and taking into consideration the rules and regulations of the relevant government authorities, WFDF will make a decision as to whether we will move forward with WU24 2021 through opening registration and the collection of fees.





Limerick, Ireland
3-10 July 2021

#### **General Information**

- Time zone: UTC +00:00 (Greenwich Mean Time) - Language: English and (Irish for the locals)

- Currency: Euro (EUR)

- Voltage: 230 volts AC, 50Hz

- Plug type: Type G (three rectangular pins in a triangular pattern)

#### Contact Us

Do you have any questions about the WFDF 2021 World Under-24 Ultimate Championships? Please contact us via the details below:

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- Instagram: www.instagram.com/wfdf.wu24/

And don't forget to share your preparation for WU24 with us!

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