

Many disabled children dream of doing sports and enjoy being able to move freely. Sport is a joy, a passion as well as relaxation. It strengthens bonds with our friends, allows us to forget everyday worries, it is an important part of our lives.

Therefore, we want to give children and youth with a disability the same opportunity as everybody else. With this they can truly understand that true effort and determinations makes sense and will be supported. Thanks to the European Games they will get the opportunity to play sports with their able-bodied athletes and together remove unnecessary prejudice and bashfulness.

The European Games will allow the participants to show their best and to either regain or boost their confidence. Happiness and tears of joy will be the imaginary medal for everybody.

EMIL OPEN 2020 DESCRIPTION

Organiser: Emilova sportovní, z.s., Malinovského náměstí 603/4, 602 00 Brno, Czech Republic,

IN 067 07 785.

The association was established by the Emil Foundation (Nadační fond Emil).

Project Name: 9th Summer European Youth Games for the Disabled

Date: 16th – 20th September 2020

Venue: Brno, Czech Republic

Project partners: Sport Technical Guarantor: Masaryk University, Faculty of Sport Studies

With support from: Association of Regions of the Czech Republic

South Moravian Region

Brno city

Contact: Pavel Zbožínek, Organising Committee President, zbozinek@emilopen.cz

Vojtěch Kocůrek, Organising Committee Vice President, kocurek@emilopen.cz

www.emilopen.cz



What is Emil Open?

The Emil Open/European Youth Games for the Disabled is an international and a social gathering of young people with disabilities. The expected number of international participants, the international concept and the sport and accompanying programme make it a unique event of a European format.

Target group: Youth with a physical, intellectual, hearing, visual or combined impairment from 10 to 26 years old.

Sports and sporting venues

SPORT	CATEGORY	VENUE
ATHLETICS	Open, Mixed	Athletics stadium Sport centre VUT Brno, Technická 3013/14, Brno, www.cesa.vutbr.cz/sportoviste/11-sappv-atleticky-stadion
SWIMMING	Open, Mixed Swimming pool Sport & Recreational Centre Kraví hora, Údol Brno, www.kravihora-brno.cz	
TABLE TENNIS	Open, Mixed, Masters	
BOCCIA - ONLY FOR CZECH! (physical impairment)	Open (groups BC1, BC2, BC3, BC4)	Sports hall Faculty of Sport Studies MU, Kamenice 5, 625 00 Brno- Bohunice http://www.fsps.muni.cz/pronajmy/?page=facility
воссе	Open, Mixed	Outdoor grassy area Sport centre VUT Brno, Technická 3013/14, Brno, www.cesa.vutbr.cz/sportoviste/11-sappy-atleticky-stadion

Please note: The Organising Committee reserves the right to possible changes in the Sports List.

PLEASE ATTENTION!

Boccia - According to the decision of the director of boccia and to ensure the safety of competitors, this sport will not be open to foreign athletes and this year's concept will be in the form of a tournament with the preservation of the Open category. This year the competition in boccia will be for Czech participation only!

Categories Description

Open is for all individuals from the target group (sport beginners or advanced athletes) regardless of whether they are registered in a sport club or not. They must, however, have some training experience in any kind of sport competitions. The competitions are held under modified International Rules and Regulations to fit such an event level. The exact Rules and Regulations will be announced along with the Sport Specific Schedule on 15th June



2020. This category allows youth with a disability that are sport beginners or do sport recreationally to meet with their potential role models in the "big sporting world".

Mixed includes specific events for collectives of both disabled and able-bodied athletes. This category represents the inclusive mission of the project. Staff are recommended and welcomed to participate in these events.

Masters for athletes with a sport classification (e.g.: S 10, TT 7) in the given sport.

Preliminary Entry Procedure & Dates

1st June 2020	First Entries Open - Entry by Number	Preliminary Number of Participants – please provide us with an estimated number of athletes and staff per sport including their disability.
12 th June 2020	First Entries Close	
15 th June 2020	Sport Specific Schedule Announced	Besides other things, the organiser will announce maximum number of athletes per each sport and will inform the participants on their application status.
15th June 2020 Final Entries Open - Entry by Name		Firm Entries – personal details; sport, category, event; accommodation and transport details etc.
30 th June 2020	Final Entries Close	

Please note: The Organising Committee reserves the right to possible changes in the Entry Procedure & Dates.

www.emilopen.cz/entries

Registration of teams: Participants are accepted to the **full capacity of the sport** – the organizer reserves the right to reduce the number of registered athletes according to the limits of individual sports.

Limits of athletes

Sport	Sport director	Maximum number of athletes
Athletics	Petr Kotyza	180
Swimming	Petr Vajda	80
Table tennis	Pavel Vacenovský	40
Boccia - ONLY FOR CZ!	Radek Procházka	60
Bocce	Alena Skotáková	70

 ${\it Please note: The Organising Committee reserves the right to possible changes}$





Preliminary Games Schedule

Tuesday	15 th September 2020	all day	Arrivals of foreign teams
	4 6 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	morning	Arrivals of foreign and Czech teams
Wednesday	16 th September 2020	afternoon	Opening Ceremony
Thursday	17 th September 2020	till 3pm	Competitions
		afternoon	Accompanying programme
Friday	18 th September 2020	till 3pm	Competitions
		evening	Closing Ceremony
Saturday	19 th September 2020	morning	Accompanying programme
		afternoon	Accompanying programme, Departures
Sunday	20 th September 2020	morning	Departures

Please note: The Organising Committee reserves the right to possible changes in the Games Schedule.

Financing

It is a non-profit event with the goal of not burdening the participants with any fee. **The organiser pays for the participants' accommodation, full board and local transport**. Moreover, free transport within the Czech Republic is being negotiated with the Czech Railways.

Note: The above-mentioned free services are provided to **Czech** participants from **16**th **September 2020** (first meal is dinner) to **19**th **September 2020** (last meal is breakfast; in case of participation in the accompanying programme it is a lunch package). **Foreign** participants will be allowed to arrive on **15**th **September 2020 if necessary** (first meal is dinner) and **leave on 20**th **September 2020** (if they participate in Saturday's accompanying programme and cannot leave afterwards). All the participants are responsible for covering the accommodation and full board costs outside these dates (reservations with the organiser).

What can you expect?

For the participants and the public there will be a high number of promotional events where prominent people from sport and culture will be present. Such events will promote not only the Games but also sports for the disabled.

- ✓ **Opening Ceremony** at the "Pod Palackého vrchem" athletic stadium opening ceremony with a procession of flag bearers, introduction of individual teams, accompanying program.
- ✓ **At individual venues, the public will be offered to try the disabled sport.** The goal is to provide sport fans and families with an attractive sport programme and the atmosphere of full stands.
- ✓ **Competing with masters** athletes entered in Open/Mixed categories will have the opportunity to compete with champions, medallists, or representatives of top disabled-sport competitions. Participants will be inspired to follow the path of the masters and will be able to draw on their experience and recommendations for engaging in the sport.





✓ **Closing Ceremony** – A festive and prestigious event with awards to the best athletes accompanied by a rich programme.

Emil Open Mission!

- Opportunity to challenge yourself in various sport events and to experience a sport event of a higher format. For many participants, it will be their very first contact with their foreign mates and their first time competing in an international event. Thanks to the intensive sport experience, the Games will contribute on a European scale not only to sport but also personal development of the individual athlete. Besides sport competitions, the Games mainly represent an opportunity to have friendly gatherings of young people with disabilities from different European countries.
- To enable amateur disabled athletes to compete and get inspiration from other experienced athletes from eleven other European countries. By competing with one another the registered athletes become models for other athletes with disabilities. They also have a chance to be appreciated publicly for their performances.
- Maximum support for the social inclusion of children and young with disabilities, through sport events designed for mixed groups of both disabled and able-bodied participants. Another important part is the involvement of volunteers from mainstream schools.
- To give the public an insight about disabled sports with the aim of eliminating prejudice and barriers. There are over a million people with disabilities in the Czech Republic. This issue is not often positively perceived by public, although sport and complex rehabilitation significantly improve the mental and physical condition of a disabled individual in most cases of post-injury traumas.

Organiser

Emilova sportovní, z.s. is an organisation established by the Emil Foundation (Nadační fond Emil) to support the development of physical and social activities of the public and people with disabilities, organizing sport events and opening sport clubs.

The Emil Foundation is a non-profit organisation that assists physically disabled children and young adults in their sporting involvement primarily through direct financial aid. To date, over 8000 athletes and teams have benefited from the work of the Emil Foundation.

The Emil Foundation is experiences in financial and project management of significant international projects that have always been successfully completed with a balanced budget.

Experience with organising international sport events

2019 - European Youth Games for the Disabled "Emil Open"

Number of participants: 824, number of countries: 17

2018 - European Youth Games for the Disabled "Emil Open"





Number of participants: 403, number of countries: 16 (917 athletes from 18 countries registered for the Games. The numbers had to be limited because of forced cuts.)

2017 - European Youth Games for the Disabled "Emil Open"

Number of participants: 710, number of countries: 16

2016 - IWAS U23 World Games Prague 2016

Number of participants: 398, number of countries: 30

2013 - International Youth Games for the Disabled

Number of participants: 350, number of countries: 11

2012 - European Paralympic Youth Games

Number of participants: 400, number of countries: 14

2011 - European Youth Games

Number of participants: 425, number of countries: 13

2010 - Youth Games for the Disabled

Number of participants: 532, number of countries: 10

2009 - Youth Games for the Disabled

A pilot project of the Emil Foundation. Over 280 athletes.

We look forward to seeing you in September! ©

