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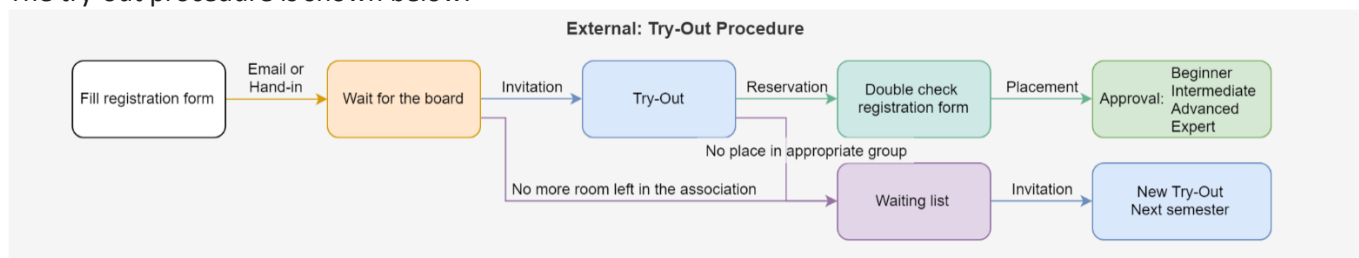
1. Try-Out and Subscription

DSBA-USSR receives a lot of subscription requests each year. To regulate the available places within the association, the club works with a try-out procedure. The procedure allows everyone a fair chance to join, by showing their enthusiasm for badminton.

The try-outs are also for current members to re-evaluate their placement within the groups. Current members will have precedence over new members for free spots in a group.

Try-outs take place twice a year, in the month of September and February.

The try-out procedure is shown below:



The steps are:

1. Send a mail to the board to request a try-out
2. Wait for the board to send a reply:
 - a. Receive an invitation for a try-out or
 - b. There is no more room left, so you will be placed on the waiting list.
3. When your experience has been evaluated, you will receive:
 - a. A reservation for a spot in the appropriate training group and a request to fill in the registration form.
 - b. You will be placed on the waiting list due to a lack of places in the right group for you.
4. In case of 3a, send a filled in registration form to the board by mail and obtain an X-membership.
5. After your form is double checked for validity you will be approved as a member.
6. However, if you are on the waiting list, you will receive an invitation for a Try-Out in the new semester. It can also occur that you will receive an email within the semester if a place opens.

1-a. Seasons

DSBA-USSR divides the year into two seasons, or semesters.

- The fall season, officially starts from the beginning of September until the next year end of January;
- The spring season, officially starts from the beginning of February until the end of August.

Membership and the competition seasons will be according to these semesters.

Trainings take place from September until the beginning of June with the exception of holidays.

2. Unsubscription

From the year 2017-2018 a subscription with DSBA-USSR is continuous until termination of the membership. Membership can be terminated half-yearly in accordance with the semesters. It is the member's responsibility to inform the board timely. Unsubscription can be done by sending a written confirmation to the board, more specifically the Secretary (secretary@unitedshuttles.nl). You will receive a confirmation of your successful



termination of your USSR membership.

There are two deadlines before which the unsubscribing emails should be sent:

- Before the 1st of February
- Before the 1st of August

If you unsubscribe later than aforementioned dates, your subscription will be automatically renewed for the next semester and you are obligated to pay the corresponding membership fee. Your membership will then be terminated at the end of that semester.

Membership fees, training fees and competition fees are non-refundable in case of termination of USSR membership during the season.

2-a. Friends of USSR

In case of membership termination you can choose to become a 'friend of USSR'. As a friend you pay a small fee per semester and are able to join the social activities and friendly tournaments. However, you are not allowed to join trainings.

3. Training group system

- Beginners
- Intermediate
- Advanced
- Expert

3-a. Time Slots

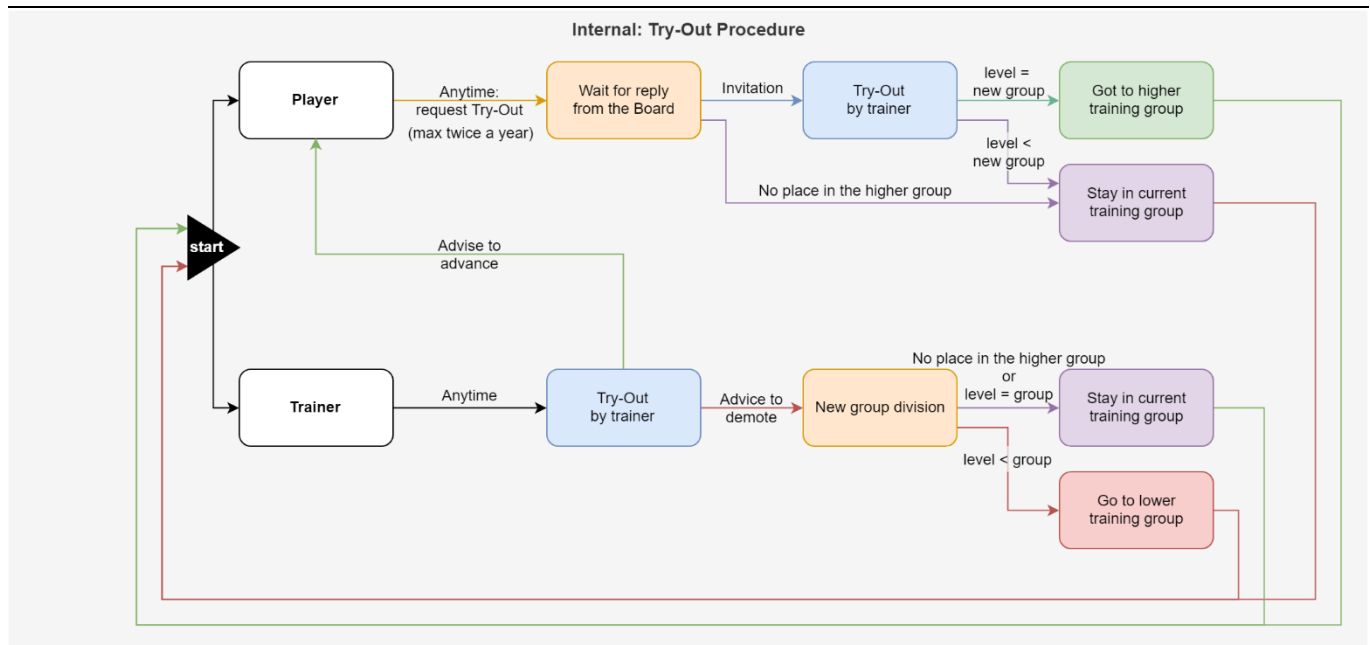
Each group trains once a week on Tuesday evening in a specific time slot. When courts are free, these can be used for free play. On Thursday evening there is competition training or free play. See the website for current training times.

3-b. Internal Try-Out Procedure

If a member would like to advance to a higher level training group, they can request to do a tryout in September or February by sending an email to the board. Their level will then be assessed and if it is sufficient and there is place in the higher training group, they can be moved up.

If a trainer sees reason for it, he can also suggest that a member requests a tryout some other time during the year.

The procedure is shown below:



4. Competition

A competition teams consists of a minimum of four players, with an appointed team captain. There are two types of competition being spring and autumn competition. The autumn competition lasts from September to February and the spring competition from February till June.

4-a. Availability

If you are a fixed player, we expect you to be there most matches. If however, you are not able to make it, please inform your team captain or the competition director at least two weeks in advance. During this time a substitute can be found by the team. Please note that you are responsible for your substitute. If a match cannot continue due to a lack of players, the club will receive a fine. This fine will be passed down to the team if this has occurred due to a neglect of the team. One player can also be held accountable if an undesired situation arises. Our aim is to assign at least one backup player to every team for the cases where not enough players are available. However, if backup players are not available, players from lower ranked teams and other DSBA-USSR members can also be asked to substitute.

4-b. Before the match

Make sure that you are present at least twenty minutes before the match starts. This time is needed for changing, warming up, and setting up the courts in case of a home match. For away matches, keep in mind that delays due to traffic jams or public transport may be possible. The home team is responsible for the score forms and preparing the shuttles. These will be provided to the team by the competition director, before the season starts in case of teams playing with nylon shuttles, and every week for teams playing with feather shuttles. Before the match starts, you have to fill in the score form. You will see eight matches on the form. First two doubles, then four singles, followed by two doubles again. Here are some rules about the matches:

- You are only allowed to play one single every match.



- You are only allowed to play one of the first and one of the last doubles every match.
- If you played the first doubles with someone, you are not allowed to play with him again in the last double.

The home team has to be the first to fill-in their setup on the score form, after that the away team will fill-in their setup. You also need to add your “Badminton Nederland” number next to your name once.

4-c. During the match

Shirts

As a competition player you are obliged to wear an official USSR t-shirt. These t-shirts will be sold at the beginning of every competition.

Write down your score immediately after each set you played. The home playing team is required to keep score during the matches. A simplified version of the scoring system and playing rules are available here:

<https://www.badmintonbible.com/rules>.

4-d. After the match

At the end of the match, the team captain of both teams will sign the form. The home team will fill in the score online, the competition director will do this if you are playing home.

Make sure there is a picture of the score form with all the scores, names, Badminton Nederland numbers and team captain signatures. Please send this picture to the competition director. The deadline for this is Sunday 18:00. Late forms may result in a fee for USSR, which will be passed down to the team if this has occurred due to a neglect of the team.

After a badminton match, it is required to have a drink with the opponent team in the canteen/ café. It is an unwritten rule that the home team pays for the drinks. It might be handy as a team to use an online registration for these payments. Some teams are also ordering finger food, but this isn't obligated. If time is short at hand, the formality can be held quickly.

5. Membership fees

Membership with DSBA-USSR*

- Beginner group € 22,50 for 6 months
- Beginner group € 30,- for 1 Year

Membership with DSBA-USSR*

- Advanced or Expert Group € 45,- for 6 months
- Advanced or Expert Group € 75,- for 1 Year

Additional competition fee, if applicable:

- Nylon shuttles € 35,- / semester
- Feather shuttles € 60,- / semester

* These membership fees are in addition to the required x-subscription needed to use the facilities (<https://www.tudelft.nl/en/x/subscriptions-and-rates/>). Members registering in Autumn must have a 12 month x-subscription, purchased before the last day of September. If you will not be here for the entire 12 month period, a refund will be provided.

5-a. Basic membership

Basic membership fees pay for administration costs, nylon shuttle use, and registration to Badminton Nederland.



5-b. Advanced or Expert Group

For these training groups, there is an extra fee for a professional trainer and the use of more expensive feather shuttles.

5-c. Competition

The competition fee helps us cover the cost of the subscription of our teams to the official Badminton Nederland (BN) competition and the shuttles used during the competition. This fee does not fully cover the costs of competition but is reduced to give more members an opportunity to play at a competitive level.

6. Payment

As a member you are obliged to pay for the membership fees, and fees due to neglect in the competition. Payment is possible per:

- SEPA recurrent collection, included in the registration form, this will happen automatically;
 - Bank transfer, only when explicitly requested and approved with the board, this has to be done manually.
- You are responsible for the payment of these fees.

When signing the registration form, a person automatically agrees with a small increase in one of the aforementioned fees of maximum 5 euro per academic year. When a person disagrees with this increase, he or she can object this and if needed he or she can unsubscribe from USSR.

7. Media Consent

By filling the registration form a member automatically consents that photos and/ or videos of them may be used in promotional material, the website and social media.