

Dear valued members of the Tug of War international federation,

I am writing on behalf of Fenner Dunlop Netherlands to inform you of an important development that has necessitated a change in our business operations concerning the supply of Tug of War mats to the TWIF community.

Since 2018 we have become part of the Michelin group of companies. In light of this transition, we have been reviewing various aspects of our business, particularly in the context of legal and regulatory compliance. It has come to our attention that due to legal terms stipulated by the Michelin group, we are unable to engage in business transactions with entities that do not have VAT applicability. Additionally, we have encountered another challenge. As a result of this legal constraint, we are unable to receive payments from a third party on behalf of non-VAT applicable entities. This further complicates our ability to provide Tug of War mats to the TWIF community.

Given these significant legal and operational constraints, we have made the decision to alter our approach to the supply of Tug of War mats. We have chosen to reroute this aspect of our business to our trusted and long-standing partner, C&K Fitzpatrick, located in Ireland.

C&K Fitzpatrick has consistently demonstrated its commitment to delivering high-quality conveyor belts and accessories and has been a reliable partner for a long period of time. We believe that this strategic shift will ensure a seamless and easy going supply of mats to the TWIF members, thus enabling you to continue enjoying the sport without any disruptions.

Fenner Dunlop Netherlands remains deeply committed to supporting TWIF and its members. We understand the significance of maintaining reliability and quality in of our matting, and we are confident that C&K Fitzpatrick will uphold these essential standards

Should you have any questions or concerns about this transition or any other matters related to the supply of tug of war mats, please do not hesitate to contact the TWIF secretary general on [10cc@hetnet.nl](mailto:10cc@hetnet.nl)

We would like to thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter. We look forward to a bright future for the sport and to continuing our partnership and support with all Tug of War members worldwide.

With kind regards,

  
**FENNER DUNLOP B.V.**

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