



# BGFed Fee Update 2025: Why the Increase From €20 to €35?

## Fee Increase Rationale & Club Support System

Simple question, easy answer: BGFed needs to invest in Bitcoin and become billionaire.

Just kidding.

During Perspectives Day—and throughout the months leading up to it—we heard questions and concerns about club budgets, club autonomy, and financial support.

One idea came through loud and clear:

“Give more support to the clubs!”

## From 20 to 35. Where does that 15 go to?

Here’s the twist: Every single euro of the fee increase goes straight back to the clubs.

We’re launching a new system that rewards clubs based on the tournaments and play moments they create for BGFed players.

More activity → more players → more XP → more financial support.

The system uses Experience Points (XP) to measure club activity.

## How Does the XP-Based Support Work?

Little calculation... From January till November this year, BGFed players collected roughly 15,000 XP across all events, including:

- Club nights and Monthly tournaments
- BIC, 4 Cubes, RBL,...
- Ranking-climbers’ heroic attempts
- And more

If we assume 100 returning members, each paying the extra €15, that creates a fund of €1,500.

This full amount is redistributed to clubs proportionally according to XP.

Example: If your club generates 20% of all XP, then your club receives 20% of €1,500 = €300.

So run a solid tournament... or three... or weekly backgammon nights. More activity means more support.

## What Can Clubs Use the Money For?

All clubs are different in their needs. Your club can do pretty much anything legal that benefits the club. For example:

- New clocks or scoreboards, Tournament prizes,...
- Guest lecturers or masterclasses, Support for new players,...
- Venue rent
- Member discounts
- Any reinvestment that helps the community grow

## Important Note for New Clubs

New clubs join the XP-based system in their second year.

Why?

To encourage natural growth—not an XP arms race on day one.

Also, all redistributed money comes from the extra contribution paid by existing BGFed players, not from new players.

## Why This System?

Because it's simple, transparent, and fair.

The more a club contributes to the backgammon community, the more support it receives.

And the money stays exactly where it belongs:

☒ In the clubs. Supporting the players.

So, by joining BGFed, you will receive

- Listing on the rating
- Exclusive access to tournaments organized by BGFed: BIC, 4 Cubes, RBL, Belgian Championship online,...

- The member benefits provided by your (or other) club.