Rvder Cup matchplay format

Players compete in a matchplay format, in which matches are scored hole-by-hole in a series of fourball, foursome, and singles contests

Matches (1pt for each win, 1/2pt for tied match) FOURSOME: Four pairings of 2 two-man



teams. One ball per team - players take alternate shots, taking turns to tee-off. Team with best score wins hole



FOURBALL: Four groups of 2 two-man teams. One ball per player. Team of player with lowest score wins hole



SINGLES: Two players from opposing teams. Player with best score wins hole





Total points available

Minimum 14¹/2pts needed for U.S. to win tournament. If scores are tied at 14pts. Europe retains title



RYDER CUP SCORING RECORD (1927-2006)

United States

Europe (GB until 1975) 3561/2pts 459¹/2pts

Last six tournaments:

19pts

29pts



331/2pts

26¹/2pts 38¹/2pts

Total 74pts 94pts

Source: Ryder Cup