

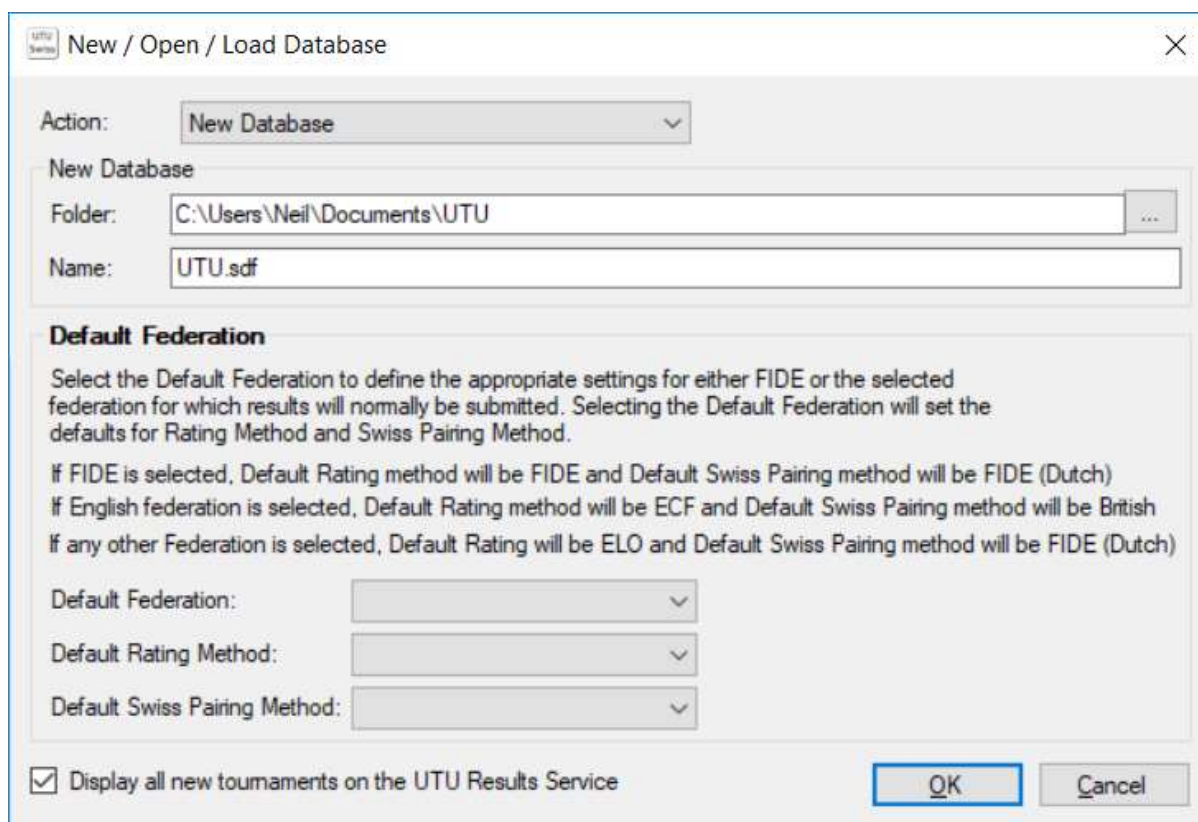
Databases

UTU Swiss can be used to administer multiple databases (e.g. one for a club and one for a school). Most people will only need to create a single database.

The Demo Database is available to help introduce you to UTU Swiss. It contains a set of tournaments, players, pairings and results. All player data has been scrambled, although the tournaments are actual tournaments. You must NOT create real live tournaments in the Demo Database, it should only be used for experimenting with UTU Swiss by creating test tournaments.

Tournaments which contain the word Test or Demo will not be able to send details of any tournament on the database to the UTU Results Service.

New Database



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "New / Open / Load Database" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The "Action:" dropdown menu is set to "New Database". Below this, the "New Database" section contains a "Folder:" field with the path "C:\Users\Neil\Documents\UTU" and a browse button (three dots). The "Name:" field contains "UTU.sdf".

The "Default Federation" section includes the following text: "Select the Default Federation to define the appropriate settings for either FIDE or the selected federation for which results will normally be submitted. Selecting the Default Federation will set the defaults for Rating Method and Swiss Pairing Method." Below this text are three instructions: "If FIDE is selected, Default Rating method will be FIDE and Default Swiss Pairing method will be FIDE (Dutch)", "If English federation is selected, Default Rating method will be ECF and Default Swiss Pairing method will be British", and "If any other Federation is selected, Default Rating will be ELO and Default Swiss Pairing method will be FIDE (Dutch)".

Below the instructions are three dropdown menus labeled "Default Federation:", "Default Rating Method:", and "Default Swiss Pairing Method:". At the bottom of the dialog, there is a checked checkbox labeled "Display all new tournaments on the UTU Results Service" and two buttons: "OK" and "Cancel".

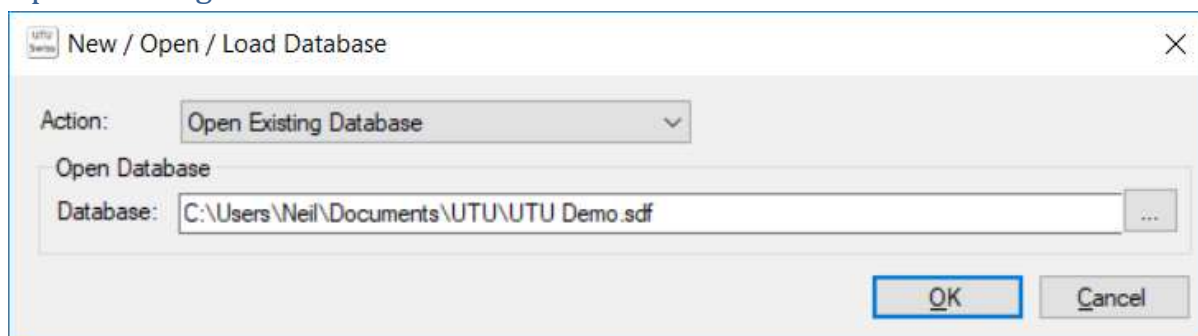
When creating a New empty database, you must define some default settings for all tournaments which will be created on that database.

The folder for the database can be specified or selected (using the button with three dots on). The name of the database can be changed as required. By default databases will be held in Documents/UTU folder and the database will be call UTU.

Default Federation, Default Rating Method and Default Swiss Pairing Method must be set when a database is created, see the Settings User Guide for more details for these fields.

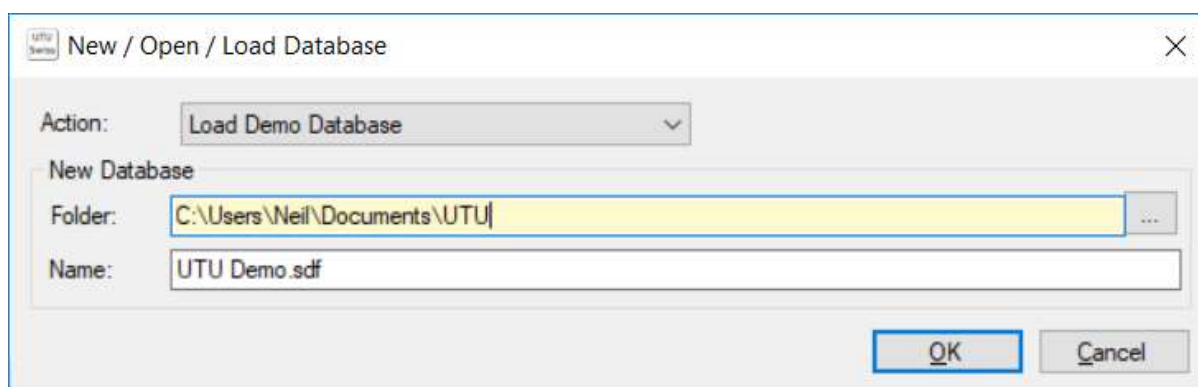
'Display all new tournaments on the UTU Results Service' defines the default for all new tournaments created on the database, see the Settings User Guide for more details.

Open Existing Database



This can be used to select database that is to be opened. Use the button with the three dots on it to select the required database. If you are only using one database, you will not need to use this option, as the system remembers the database you last used.

Load Demo Database



The demo database contains tournaments, players, pairings and results (with player details scrambled) to familiarise yourself with UTU Swiss. As the data contains scrambled data, the database should NOT be used for any of your real tournaments.

Backup/Restore/Tidy Database

The File->Backup database menu option takes a backup of a database to a folder or external device (eg a USB drive). It takes a copy of the data which can be restored using the File-Restore database menu option.

You are advised to take periodic backups of your database to an external device (particularly during a tournament) to protect yourself from computer failure.

File-Tidy Database can be used to tidy the internal structure of the database, in general this will shrink the size of the database and make it slightly more efficient to access.