



# 2019 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament





## **Contact Information**



The 2019 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament will be organised by the EHF in cooperation with the Croatian Handball Federation.

#### **ORGANISER**

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#### LOCAL ORGANISER

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#### **VENUE**

#### Sutinska Vrela hall

Podsusedski trg 14B, 10090, Zagreb

#### Airport

Franjo Tudman Zagreb (International Airport Zagreb)

Playing rules: See enclosure
Regulations: See enclosure

Classification manual: To be provided at a

later date



## **History & Development**

Development, education and training are core activities of the EHF Methods Commission (MC). Numerous courses and seminars for young coaches, top coaches, young referees, delegates, referees and club managers were organised by the EHF since its foundation, as of 2008 under the umbrella of EHF CAN (Competence Academy & Network).

In 2006 the EHF decided to include Wheelchair Handball to its working fields introducing this new sport to its Member Federations on the occasion of the 2006 EHF Youth Conference hosted in Vienna / AUT. In 2008 a first Championship was hosted in Vienna / AUT with 2 teams representing AUT and SWE participating. A seminar was hosted at the same time with international wheelchair handball coaches attending and exchanging their experience.

In the past years there was a growing interest in Wheelchair Handball not only in Europe but world-wide. Therefore, the EHF decided to host the 2015 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament in St. Pölten/AUT. As a result of the general positive feedback of teams, National Federations and media the 2nd edition of this tournament, the 2016 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament in Sölvesborg/SWE a year later was successfully completed, followed by the 3rd edition of the tournament in 2018 hosted in Leiria/POR.

The 4<sup>th</sup> edition will be hosted in Zagreb / CRO including the new classification manual developed by the EHF Methods Commission and the EHF Working Group on "Wheelchair Handball".

The EHF Methods Commission is looking forward to the next interesting European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament and exciting games.

See you in Croatia!

Jerzy Eliasz / Chairman MC
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## Participating teams

Teams from all EHF Member Federations are eligible to participate in the 2019 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament in Croatia. The tournament is limited to maximum 6 teams (following the first come – first served principle).

#### Classification of players

Based on the experience made during 2018 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament, the classification manual was adapted. The EHF "Wheelchair Handball" Working Group established a new class system. Therefore all players have to participate in the classification again. The classification will be completed during the training sessions (class 1-4, max team points 17). Detailed information will be provided at a later stage.

#### Team criteria

All teams shall be mixed (male and minimum 3 female players) with always one female field player on court.

All players have to prove their status during the classification session before the tournament (Thursday and Friday) and to provide an ID card / confirmation from their responsible National authority. All players have to be at least 16 years old. Players aged 16-18 years have to provide a written permission by their parents / legal guardian to be able to participate in the tournament.

All players need to have a minimum disability to be eligible to play in the tournament.

#### Playing rules

The 2019 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament will be played according to the updated "Wheelchair Handball Rules for European Tournaments" – see enclosure.

Referees and Delegates will be nominated by the EHF.

#### Playing kits

Each team shall provide 2 sets of playing kits (light colour / dark colour) to be presented on the occasion of the technical meeting. Each team will play approximately 4 matches in 2 days (depending on the number of participation teams).

#### Registration

A team delegation shall consist of maximum 20 persons (including team officials with a minimum of 12 players and a maximum of 16 players) and will be accommodated in an adapted hotel close to Zagreb. The detailed preliminary delegation list (including information on disability grad, special needs, food allergy, etc.) as well as the travel schedule shall be provided by the 15 November 2019 the latest.

Teams shall register via the enclosed registration sheet (to be submitted by the National Federation) by **31 October** at the latest.

#### Wheelchairs

The wheelchairs shall be equipment in a safe and fair way without any risk for the player him/herself, his/her team colleagues or the opponent team. A wheelchair can be banned from the game if there is any doubt in its safety or fairness (referee decision).

For details please refer to the "Wheelchair Handball Rules for European Tournaments" document (see enclosure).

Furthermore a colour code (sticker) will be applied to the wheelchair after the classification.

#### Anti-doping control

There will be obligatory Anti-Doping controls for the players during the tournament.

### **Insurance & Finance**

#### Insurance

The participating Member Federations are responsible for and undertake to conclude all necessary and adequate insurance cover, including accident and health insurance for their delegation members, including players, technical staff and officials, on their own expense for the whole duration of the 2019 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament in Portugal.

Claims for damages against the EHF are expressly excluded. Anyone involved must hold EHF harmless from any and all claims for liability arising in relation to the execution of single matches or any other events in connection with the 2019 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament.

#### **Finances**

The EHF and the local organiser will bear the following costs:

- Local transport from / to the announced airports
- Accommodation and full-board (2 drinks per meal and per person, additional drinks have to be paid directly to the restaurant) for max. 15 persons staying in the official team hotel
- · Hall rental
- Officials (referees, delegates, office staff)
- Classification of players

The National Federations participating have to bear the following costs:

- Travel to / from Croatia
- Insurance
- All costs in connection with administration/organisation of the team, etc.
- Lodging and accommodation for additional persons, exceeding 15. The daily rate per
  person including transport, lodging, accommodation, participation in side events has to be
  paid to the OC prior to the tournament and will be announced in due time.





## Overall time table

7 October 2019	Calling for participants
31 October 2019	Deadline for team registrations
November 2019	Team Info 1
15 November 2019	Providing preliminary delegation list, travel schedule to EHF & LOC
December 2019	Team Info 2
12 December 2019	Morning/Noon: Arrival day teams & Classification of players
12/13 December 2019	Classification of teams & Technical Meeting
13 December 2019	Welcome dinner
14 December 2019	Playing day 1
15 December 2019	Playing day 2 / Departure (evening)
16 December 2019	Departure (morning)

Depending on the number of teams and the playing schedule the departure day will be Sunday evening or Monday morning. The detailed time table and playing schedule will be provided in the first team info.

# **Registration form**

National Federation of
Size of delegation (max. 20 persons / including min 12 players & max. 16 players)
Contact person team
Name
email
Mobile
Contact person classification
Name
email
Mobile
Special requirements concerning hotel (amount of players & special needs):
Signature Date
Stamp

Please transmit the registration form to the EHF Office by email to rabenseifner@eurohandball.com by **31 October 2019** at the latest.

The registration shall be provided together with the complete documents regarding the players' classification and information.

