



2018 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament

30 November – 2 December 2018 in Leiria, Portugal



EUROPEAN HANDBALL
FEDERATION





Contact Information



The 2018 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament will be organised by the EHF in cooperation with the Portuguese Handball Federation.

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www.visiteleiria.pt/en/home/

Accommodation

Diocesan Seminary of Leiria

Largo Padre Carvalho

City: Leiria

Contact: seminario@leiria-fatima.pt

Airport

The two nearest airports are the following including the distance from the airport to the venue:

Lisbon / LIS (140 km)

Porto / OPO (200 km)

Playing rules: See enclosure



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 tournament 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 worldwide. Therefore, the EHF decided to organise 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. To continue the success the 3rd edition of the tournament, the 2018 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament will be hosted in Leiria/POR.

Following the proposal of the EHF Working Group "Wheelchair Handball" (consisting of EHF Methods Commission members as well as further experts in this field) the EHF Methods Commission adapted the EHF Wheelchair Handball rules from the first two editions and is working on Wheelchair Handball Classification Regulations for future events.

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

Jerzy Elias / Chairman MC

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Klaus Feldmann / Youth, School and Non-competitive Sports

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Participating teams

Teams from all EHF Member Federations are eligible to participate in the 2018 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament in Portugal. The tournament is limited to maximum 6 teams (following the first come – first served principle).

Classification of players

Following the fast development of wheelchair handball and the need to develop universally-applicable guidelines, this year's edition will be a pilot run concerning the classification of players. The EHF "Wheelchair Handball" Working Group together with European experts in the field of Paralympic classification are working on European Classification Regulations for further European tournaments and competitions. Before the next tournament all players will be classified (more information regarding the topic will be provided) - 1st workshop for National Classifiers will be organized on the occasion of the tournament in Portugal.

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. The results of the classification will not exclude anybody from the participation in the tournament.

Playing rules

The 2018 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 15 persons (including team officials and a maximum of 12 players) and will be accommodated in 3-bed and 2-bed rooms in Diocesan Seminary in Leiria. The detailed delegation list (including information on disability grad, special needs, food allergy, etc.) shall be provided by the end of August 2018 the latest.

Teams shall register via the enclosed registration sheet (to be submitted by the National Federation) by 20 August 2018 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).

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 2018 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 2018 European Wheelchair Handball Nations' Tournament.

Finances

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

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

The National Federations participating have to bear the following costs:

- Travel to / from Portugal
- Insurance
- All costs for administration / organisation of the team, etc.





Overall time table

June 2018	Calling for participants
20 August 2018	Deadline for team registrations
September 2018	Team Info 1
October 2018	Providing travel schedule to EHF & LOC
November 2018	Team Info 2
29 November 2018	Morning/Noon: Arrival day teams & classification of players 19:00: Welcome Dinner at Diocesan Seminary of Leiria
30 November 2018	Classification of teams & Technical Meeting
1 December 2018	Playing day 1
2 December 2018	Playing day 2
3 December 2018	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. 15 person / including max. 12 players*)

Contact person team

Name

e-mail

Mobile

Contact person classification

Name

e-mail

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 jelic@eurohandball.com by **20 August 2018** the latest.

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

