

Procedure for the draw of the Qualification Groups

Date: Thursday 14 April 2016 in Dubrovnik/CRO at 11:00 hrs.

Venue: Lovrijenac Fortress in Dubrovnik/CRO

A total number of 16 teams will participate in the final tournament.

Directly Qualified for the Men´s EHF EURO 2018 in Croatia: CRO (Organiser)

Apart from the organiser Croatia, 37 national teams have registered to take part in the qualification for the Men´s EHF EURO 2018.

At the qualification draw a total of 28 teams will be drawn into seven groups of four. The first and the second ranked teams as well as the best third ranked team will qualify for the Men´s EHF EURO 2018 in Croatia.

Here are the dates for the matches of the qualification phase 2:

Round	Day	Dates
Round 1	Wednesday - Thursday	2 to 3 November 2016
Round 2	Saturday - Sunday	5 to 6 November 2016
Round 3	Wednesday - Thursday	3 to 4 May 2017
Round 4	Saturday - Sunday	6 to 7 May 2016
Round 5	Wednesday - Thursday	14 to 15 June 2017
Round 6	Saturday - Sunday	17 to 18 June 2017

Here are the participating teams in alphabetical order:

Austria (AUT), Bosnia and Herzegovina (BIH), Belarus (BLR), Belgium (BEL), Czech Republic (CZE), Denmark (DEN), Spain (ESP), Finland (FIN), France (FRA), Germany (GER), Hungary (HUN), Iceland (ISL), Latvia (LAT), Lithuania (LTU), FYR Macedonia (MKD), Montenegro (MNE), Netherlands (NED), Norway (NOR), Poland (POL), Portugal (POR), Romania (ROU), Russia (RUS), Slovenia (SLO), Serbia (SRB), Switzerland (SUI), Slovakia (SVK), Sweden (SWE), Ukraine (UKR).

The teams are divided into four pots according to the EHF Men´s National Team Ranking:

Pot 1: FRA, ESP, DEN, POL, GER, SWE, ISL

Pot 2: MKD, RUS, NOR, HUN, SLO, BLR, AUT

Pot 3: SRB, CZE, MNE, BIH, NED, POR, LTU

Pot 4: SVK, LAT, UKR, SUI, ROU, BEL, FIN

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6	Group 7

Step 4: 7 teams of pot 1 to row 1

Step 3: 7 teams of pot 2 to row 2

Step 2: 7 teams of pot 3 to row 3

Step 1: 7 teams of pot 4 to row 4

The Men´s EHF EURO 2018 Final Tournament will take place from 12 to 28 January 2018.