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VELUX EHF Champions League
Season 2018/19

MATCH OF THE WEEK

Group Phase, Round 7
HC PPD Zagreb (CRO)

VS

RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko (SLO)

Arena Zagreb (Zagreb, CRO)

Saturday 10 November, 20:00 hrs



HC PPD Zagreb (CRO) vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko (SLO)

Group B



Most Games vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko:

Mirza Dzomba	8
Zlatko Horvat	7
Josip Valcic	7
Tonci Valcic	7
Slavko Goluba	6
Silvio Ivandija	6
Bozidar Jovic	6
Venio Losert	6
Ivan Stevanovic	6
Ivica Udovicic	6

Most Goals vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko:

Kiril Lazarov	36
Mirza Dzomba	34
Stipe Mandalinic	33
Bozidar Jovic	24
Zlatko Horvat	22

Saturday 11 November 2018, 20:00 hrs



Playing hall

Arena Zagreb
Laniste 30,
10000 Zagreb,
Croatia
Capacity: 15,200

- Zagreb have participated in more CL seasons (25) than any other club. Next on the list are Veszprém (24) and Zagreb's MOTW opponent, Celje (23).
- Zagreb are ranked 4th in the all-time CL standings with 116 wins, 28 draws, 118 defeats in 262 matches, Celje are 7th with 109 wins, 14 draws, 99 defeats in 222 matches.
- From all VELUX EHF Champions League 2018/19 Group Phase duels, this one and Barça vs Veszprém in Group A have been played the most times: 18. Zagreb won ten times, Celje seven, and one match ended in a draw.
- In the group phase of both 2015/16 and 2016/17, Zagreb and Celje duelled for a Last 16 spot, with Zagreb taking narrow wins (24:23, 23:21) and booking their ticket for the knockout stage on both occasions.
- Celje signed a new coach at the end of September, as Tomaz Ocvirk took over from Branko Tamse.
- Under Ocvirk, Celje earned four points in the CL by winning their home matches against Flensburg-Handewitt and Zaporozhye.
- Zagreb coach Lino Cervar is in his second stint with the Croatian club, after also leading them from 2004-09.
- Celje have not gained a point in an away match so far, while Zagreb gained all three of their points in away matches (31:31 in Skjern, 31:29 in Flensburg), so at least one series will end.
- Both sides signed late entries during the CL break: William Accambay joined Celje on loan from Veszprém (and scored 7 times against Zaporozhye last weekend) while goalkeeper Radivoje Ristanovic joined Zagreb from Maccabi Srago Rishon Lezion to replace injured Arian Jovic.
- Zagreb's Slovenian players Urh Kastelic and Gregor Potocnik both played for Celje in the past, but Celje's Croatian players have never played for Zagreb - and they were not even born in Croatia: Josip Sarac in Ljubuski (BIH) and Kristian Beciri in Heppenheim (GER).
- Zagreb's Arber Qerimi is the only Belgian player in the CL this season.
- This season, Zagreb line player Senjamin Buric and Flensburg goalkeeper Benjamin Buric became the only twins in CL history to have played against each other.
- Zagreb captain Zlatko Horvat has been with the Croatian club throughout since 2002; only Michael Guigou (Montpellier, since 2000) has a longer playing history at one CL club.
- While Celje won the CL in 2004 in their first and so far only final appearance, Zagreb were finalists four times between 1995 and 1999 but are yet to win the trophy.
- Zagreb are the only club to have lost three straight CL finals, from 1997-99.
- This MOTW features one former CL winner: Celje's French line player Igor Anic, who won the trophy with Kiel at the first VELUX EHF FINAL4 in 2010.
- Zagreb and Celje met three times in last season's SEHA league: after a 25:25 draw and a 30:23 win for Zagreb in the group phase, Zagreb beat Celje again in the semi-final (29:28) and ended the competition in second place, while Celje finished third.

Round 7



Most Games vs HC PPD Zagreb:

Dejan Peric	8
Alvaro Nacinovic	7
Roman Pungartnik	7
Rastko Stefanovic	7
Tomaz Tomsic	7
Renato Vugrinec	7
Luka Zvizej	7

Most Goals vs HC PPD Zagreb:

Rastko Stefanovic	39
Iztok Puc	30
Uros Serbec	26
Eduard Koksharov	23
Luka Zvizej	22

Domestic league

SEHA Liga

Last 3 games:

06/11 vs Meshkov Brest (BLR)	W29:24
30/10 vs Zeleznicar (SRB)	W30:28
16/10 vs HC Vardar	W26:23

Next game:

27/11 @ Presov (SVK)

Standings as of 8/11:

1. PPD Zagreb	8	216:182	21
2. Vardar	8	230:208	18
3. Nexe	8	220:200	18
4. Presov	8	226:199	15
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10. Izvidac	7	179:212	1

Domestic league

1. NLB Liga

Last 3 games:

07/11 vs Jeruzalem Ormoz	W34:28
31/10 @ Ivancna Gorica	W25:30
20/10 @ RK Dol Tki Hrastnik	W23:40

Next game:

14/11 @ Krka

Standings as of 8/11:

1. Celje	9	291:240	16
2. Ribnica	8	233:195	14
3. Gorenje	8	217:201	11
4. Maribor	9	246:247	11
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18. Ivancna Gorica	9	227:261	2

Historic encounters in the EC

HC PPD Zagreb vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko 10-1-7 (431:405) 21:15

27.09.1992	RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko vs RK Zagreb, Champions Cup – Qualification Round 2	18:17 (6:9)
03.10.1992	RK Zagreb vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko, Champions Cup – Qualification Round 2	26:17 (13:7)
11.11.1995	Celje Pivovarna Lasko vs Croatia Banka Zagreb, EHF Champions League – Qualification Round 3	25:21 (11:9)
18.11.1995	Croatia Banka Zagreb vs Celje Pivovarna Lasko, EHF Champions League – Qualification Round 3	25:20 (14:11)
04.01.1998	Celje Pivovarna Lasko vs Badel 1862 Zagreb, EHF Champions League – Group A	26:21 (13:8)
31.01.1998	Badel 1862 Zagreb vs Celje Pivovarna Lasko, EHF Champions League – Group A	26:22 (14:10)
22.03.1998	Badel 1862 Zagreb vs Celje Pivovarna Lasko, EHF Champions League – Semi-final	27:20 (14:10)
28.03.1998	Celje Pivovarna Lasko vs Badel 1862 Zagreb, EHF Champions League – Semi-final	25:24 (10:10)
26.11.2000	Celje Pivovarna Lasko vs Badel 1862 Zagreb, EHF Champions League – Group A	29:26 (12:12)
16.12.2000	Badel 1862 Zagreb vs Celje Pivovarna Lasko, EHF Champions League – Group A	22:22 (12:11)
21.02.2009	Celje Pivovarna Lasko vs HC Croatia Osiguranje-Zagreb, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	22:25 (11:16)
07.03.2009	HC Croatia Osiguranje-Zagreb vs Celje Pivovarna Lasko, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2	31:18 (14:6)
21.09.2013	HC Croatia Osiguranje Zagreb vs Celje Pivovarna Lasko, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	24:21 (13:10)
30.11.2013	Celje Pivovarna Lasko vs HC Croatia Osiguranje Zagreb, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	26:20 (14:11)
26.09.2015	RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko vs HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo Zagreb, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	20:21 (10:9)
27.02.2016	HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo Zagreb vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	24:23 (8:9)
24.09.2016	RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko vs HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo Zagreb, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	30:28 (14:13)
09.03.2017	HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo Zagreb vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	23:21 (14:10)

Details of the last HC PPD Zagreb vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko match: 09.03.2017 (Zagreb, Croatia)

(VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B) 23:21 (14:10)

Referees: Andrei Gousko/Siarhei Repkin (Belarus).

Suspensions: 4' – 6' (Vori 2', Cingesar 2' – Poteko 2', Beciri 4').

Number of 7m: 2/2 – 5/4.

Attendance: 11,500.



Ivan Stevanovic => Kadetten Schaffhausen
Matevz Skok => Sporting CP

(1)

Luka Mrakovcic

Tin Kontrec

Igor Vori => retired

(2) (6)

Darko Cingesar => PAUC

(1) (1)

Dobrivoje Markovic => MT Melsungen

(3) (3)

Zlatko Horvat

(5)

Leon Susnja

Josip Valcic => retired

(1) (2)

Lovro Jotic

Tonci Valcic => retired

(6)

Stipe Mandalinic => Füchse Berlin

(5)

David Miklavcic => Gorenje Velenje

(3)

Velko Markoski => HC Dobrogea Sud Constanta

(2)

Domagoj Pavlovic

(5)

Urban Lesjak => TSV Hannover
Ivan Gajic => retired



Jaka Malus

Povilas Babarskas => Bregenz Handball

Blaz Janc => PGE Vive Kielce

David Razgor

Gal Marguc

Matic Groselj

Vid Poteko => HC Meshkov Brest

Miha Zarabec => THW Kiel

Tilen Kodrin

Borut Mackovsek => Telekom Veszprém

Ziga Mlakar => Orlen Wisla Plock

Gasper Dobaj

Luka Zvizej => Minden

Kristian Beciri

Most Goals in one game HC PPD Zagreb vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko:

Kiril Lazarov	11	26.11.2000	Celje Pivovarna Lasko-Badel 1862 Zagreb	29:26
Patrik Cavar	10	18.11.1995	Croatia Banka Zagreb-Celje Pivovarna Lasko	25:20
Kiril Lazarov	10	07.03.2009	HC Croatia Osiguranje-Zagreb-Celje Pivovarna Lasko	31:18
Stipe Mandalinic	10	27.02.2016	HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo-RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko	24:23
Stipe Mandalinic	10	24.09.2016	RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko-HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo	30:28

Most Goals in one game RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko vs HC PPD Zagreb:

Iztok Puc	8	11.11.1995	Celje Pivovarna Lasko-Croatia Banka Zagreb	25:21
Rastko Stefanovic	8	11.11.1995	Celje Pivovarna Lasko-Croatia Banka Zagreb	25:21
Eduard Koksharov	8	26.11.2000	Celje Pivovarna Lasko-Badel 1862 Zagreb	29:26
Eduard Koksharov	8	07.03.2009	HC Croatia Osiguranje-Zagreb-Celje Pivovarna Lasko	31:18
Iztok Puc	7	04.01.1998	Celje Pivovarna Lasko-Badel 1862 Zagreb	26:21
Iztok Puc	7	31.01.1998	Badel 1862 Zagreb-Celje Pivovarna Lasko	26:22
Uros Serbec	7	28.03.1998	Celje Pivovarna Lasko-Badel 1862 Zagreb	25:24
Ziga Mlakar	7	27.02.2016	HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo-RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko	24:23
Luka Zvizej	7	24.09.2016	RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko-HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo	30:28

Last Ten Games in VELUX EHF Champions League:



HC PPD Zagreb: current run – winless four

03.11.2018 Nantes FRA	@ HBC Nantes FRA	L 23:20
14.10.2018 Zaporozhye UKR	@ HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR	L 35:27
07.10.2018 Skjern DEN	@ Skjern Handbold DEN	D 31:31
29.09.2018 Zagreb CRO	vs Paris Saint-Germain HB FRA	L 21:32
19.09.2018 Flensburg GER	@ SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER	W 29:31
16.09.2018 Osijek CRO	vs MOL-Pick Szeged HUN	L 23:24
04.03.2018 Zagreb CRO	vs IFK Kristianstad SWE	L 24:27
24.02.2018 Szeged HUN	@ MOL-Pick Szeged HUN	L 30:28
17.02.2018 Zagreb CRO	vs HBC Nantes FRA	W 23:22
10.02.2018 Plock POL	@ Orlen Wisla Plock POL	L 27:24



RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko: current run – won one

04.11.2018 Celje SLO	vs HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR	W 33:28
14.10.2018 Nantes FRA	@ HBC Nantes FRA	L 38:27
06.10.2018 Szeged HUN	@ MOL-Pick Szeged HUN	L 33:24
30.09.2018 Celje SLO	vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER	W 23:20
23.09.2018 Paris FRA	@ Paris Saint-Germain HB FRA	L 33:21
16.09.2018 Celje SLO	vs Skjern Handbold DEN	L 26:27
03.03.2018 Veszprém HUN	@ Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	L 29:22
24.02.2018 Celje SLO	vs Aalborg Handbold DEN	W 32:28
17.02.2018 Kielce POL	@ PGE Vive Kielce POL	L 37:31
11.02.2018 Celje SLO	vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA	L 26:31

HC PPD Zagreb vs Slovenian clubs 10-1-7

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
1992/93	RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko	26:17	17:18	Champions Cup – Round 2
1995/96	Celje Pivovarna Lasko	25:20	21:25	EHF Champions League – Qualification Round 3
1997/98	Celje Pivovarna Lasko	26:22	21:26	EHF Champions League – Group A
1997/98	Celje Pivovarna Lasko	27:20	24:25	EHF Champions League – Semi-final
2000/01	Celje Pivovarna Lasko	22:22	26:29	EHF Champions League – Group A
2008/09	Celje Pivovarna Lasko	31:18	25:22	EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2
2013/14	Celje Pivovarna Lasko	24:21	20:26	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2015/16	RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko	24:23	21:20	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2016/17	RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko	23:21	28:30	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B

RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko vs Croatian clubs 8-1-11

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
1992/93	RK Zamet Rijeka	25:17	11:18	Champions Cup – Round 1
1992/93	RK Zagreb	18:17	17:26	Champions Cup – Round 2
1995/96	Croatia Banka Zagreb	25:21	20:25	EHF Champions League – Qualification Round 3
1997/98	Badel 1862 Zagreb	26:21	22:26	EHF Champions League – Group A
1997/98	Badel 1862 Zagreb	25:24	20:27	EHF Champions League – Semi-final
2000/01	Badel 1862 Zagreb	29:26	22:22	EHF Champions League – Group A
2008/09	HC Croatia Osiguranje-Zagreb	22:25	18:31	EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2
2013/14	HC Croatia Osiguranje Zagreb	26:20	21:24	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2015/16	HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo Zagreb	20:21	23:24	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2016/17	HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo Zagreb	30:28	21:23	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B

HC PPD Zagreb players' career statistics against RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Arian Jovic	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Urh Kastelic	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Ivan Vekic	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Radivoje Ristanovic	MNE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Damir Bicanic	CRO	3	2	0	1	6	2,00	3	0
Josip Bozic Pavletic	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Senjamin Buric	BIH	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Josip Eres	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Zlatko Horvat	CRO	7	5	0	2	22	3,14	5 (3)	0
Matej Hrstic	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Lovro Jotic	CRO	4	2	0	2	6	1,50	3 (2)	0
Tin Kontrec	CRO	4	3	0	1	4	1,00	2 (2)	2'
Tin Lucin	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
David Mandic	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Luka Mrakovic	CRO	1	1	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Gregor Potocnik	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Arber Qerimi	BEL	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Valentino Ravnic	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Ivan Srsen	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Leon Susnja	CRO	5	4	0	1	0	0,00	0	2'
Josip Vekic	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Filip Vistorop	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Mario Vuglac	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Damir Bicanic (Reale Ademar 2009/10, Chambéry Savoie HB 2010/11); Lovro Jotic (Aalborg Handbold 2017/18)

Gorenje to present 'Player of the Match' trophy

The match of the week 'Player of the Match' trophy, introduced by EHF Marketing last season, will be awarded at all MOTWs in the VELUX EHF Champions League 2018/19 season.

The trophy will be handed over on court shortly after the match by alternating sponsors throughout the season.

The presenting sponsor at RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko vs HC PPD Zagreb is Gorenje and the trophy will be handed over to the awardee by Bruno Šetić, Key account manager at Gorenje Zagreb.

Awardees 2018/19:

- Round 1 : Arpad Sterbik (Telekom Vesprém HC)
- Round 2 : Ivan Pesic (HC Meshkov Brest)
- Round 3 : Dika Mem (Barça Lassa)
- Round 4 : Timur Dibirov (HC Vardar)
- Round 5 : Emil Nielsen (Skjern Handball)
- Round 6 : Benjamin Buric (SG Flensburg-Handewitt)





RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko players' career statistics against HC PPD Zagreb

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Klemen Ferlin	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jernej Mlakar	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Aljaz Panjtar	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
William Accambray	FRA	4	2	1	1	5	1,25	2 (2)	0
Igor Anic	FRA	3	2	1	0	2	0,67	2	2'
Kristian Beciri	CRO	2	1	0	1	2	1,00	2	6'
Anze Blagotinsek	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Nik Cirovic	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Tim Cokan	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Matic Groselj	SLO	2	1	0	1	0	0,00	0	0
Kristjan Horzen	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jan Jurecic	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Tadej Kljun	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Tilen Kodrin	SLO	4	1	0	3	3	0,75	3	0
Matic Kosec	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Domen Makuc	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jaka Malus	SLO	2	1	0	1	0	0,00	0	0
Gal Marguc	SLO	4	1	0	3	4	1,00	3	0
Drasko Nenadic	SRB	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Rok Ovnicsek	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Filip Rakita	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
David Razgor	SLO	6	2	0	4	4	0,67	3	0
Josip Sarac	CRO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Branko Vujovic	MNE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

William Accambray (Paris Saint-Germain Handball 2014/15, Paris Saint-Germain Handball 2015/16); Igor Anic (Montpellier HB 2004/05 – DNP, THW Kiel 2008/09, THW Kiel 2015/16); Branko Vujovic (KS Vive Tauron Kielce 2016/17 – DNP)

