



CHALLENGE CUP

**Women's Challenge Cup
2018/19**

Media Information



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Dear Media Representative,

Welcome to the 26th season of the Women's Challenge Cup. In the following media information you will find the essential facts you will require for the whole 2018/19 edition. Additional information can be found on the revamped europeancup.eurohandball.com website.

Media portal

All media representatives are invited to register for the EHF media portal on <http://members.ehf.eu>. The European Handball Federation's media portal is a one-stop-shop for media representatives offering all the EHF's media news such as press releases, event flash quotes directly after matches, press conference highlights, draw reactions and downloads of all relevant information including, but not limited to, media guides and event logos. Furthermore photographs that are free for editorial use will be available for download.

For further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the EHF Media and Communications Department and we will be happy to help you with any information you may require.

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Important regulations

Classification

All matches of the Challenge Cup shall be played in 2 x 30 minutes with a half-time break of 15 minutes.

Home and away matches

Classification shall be made by adding points as follows:

Win = 2 points
draw = 1 point
defeat = 0 points

The ranking of teams shall be based on the total number of points.

If after completion of the two matches both teams have won the same number of points, classification shall be made in the following sequence:

- goal difference
- greater number of plus goals scored in away match
- penalty throws

Rules for Execution of Penalty Throws

- Prior to penalty throwing, each team shall name five players eligible to play at the end of the match by handing the referees a list of numbers. These players shall then take one throw each until a decision (a winner) is reached, alternating with their opponents. Each team is free to determine the sequence in which throwers will take their throws.
- The goalkeepers may be freely selected from the roster and exchanged in accordance with the Rules of the Game. Goalkeepers may take throws and throwers may play as goalkeepers.


- The referees shall choose the goal at which throws are taken. The team taking the first penalty throw shall be determined by the referees by drawing lots. The team winning the draw may choose whether it wishes to throw first or last.
- If scores are equal after the first round of penalty throwing, it shall be continued until a decision is reached. In the second round, the other team shall start. Again five players shall be named who are eligible to play (the players named before may be named once again).
- In the second round, a decision (a winner) is reached when a goal difference arises after both teams have taken one throw each. After 5 throws, once again 5 players shall be named who are eligible to play (the players named before may be named once again).
- Eligible players and goalkeepers are players entered in the match report who have not been suspended or disqualified.
- Serious infractions committed during penalty throwing shall be sanctioned by disqualification. If a thrower is disqualified or suffers an injury, an eligible substitute player shall be named supplementary.
- While the throws are being taken, only the player taking the throw, the current goalkeeper and the referees may enter the respective half of the playing area.
- If the number of eligible players falls below five, players may be named to take a second throw in the same round.

[Find all the regulations here](#)



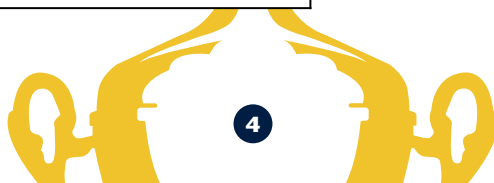
2018/2019 WOMEN'S CHALLENGE CUP



 CHALLENGE CUP		R 1	R 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Round 7
				30 teams	Last 16	1/4-finals	1/2-finals	finals
NATION				10/11.11.2018 first leg	02/03.02.2019 first leg	02/03.03.2019 first leg	06/07.04.2019 first leg	04/05.05.2019 first leg
NATION				17/18.11.2018 second leg	09/10.02.2019 second leg	09/10.03.2019 second leg	13/14.04.2019 second leg	11/12.05.2019 second leg
DRAWS:				17.07.2018	20.11.2018	12.02.2019	12.02.2019	16.04.2019
1	ESP	no matches	no matches	Rocasa Gran Canaria	15 Winners of Challenge Cup Round 3	8 Winners of Challenge Cup Round 4	4 Winners of Challenge Cup Round 5	2 Winners of Challenge Cup Round 6
2	POL			SPR Pogon Szczecin				
3	CRO			ZRK Koka				
4	TUR			Polatli Belediyespor				
5	NED			Dames 1 V&L				
6	SWE			Kristianstad HK				
7	MKD			ZRK Pelister 2012				
8	SUI			DHB Rotweiss Thun SPL1				
9	POR			Alavarium / Love Tiles				
10	SRB			ZRK Naisa				
11	AZE			Azeryol Baku				
12	KOS			KHF Istogu				
13	SLO			ZRK Z'Dezele Celje				
14	ISL			Valur				
15	LTU			ACME-Zalgiris Kaunas-2				
16	ISR			Holon HC				
17	BIH			ZRK Krivaja Zavidovici				
18	FIN			HIFK				
19	BEL			Femina Vise				
20	ITA			Cassano Magnago				
21	BLR			HC Gomel				
22	CYP			A.C. Latsia Nicosia				
23	MLT			La Salle				
24	ESP			Rincon Fertilidad Malaga				
25	CRO			ZRK Bjelovar				
26	TUR			Ankara Yenimahalle BSK				
27	NED			H.V. Quintus				
28	SWE			Boden Handboll IF				
29	MKD			WHC Kumanovo				
30	POR			Sir 1 Maio/Ada CJB				
31	ISR			Maccabi Srugo Rishon Lezion				



	10.11.2018 17:00	Thun (300)		17.11.2018 18:30	Malaga	28:28 (13:11)
	Ref.: Weijmans, Wolbertus NED Del.: Ivanovic SRB			Ref.: Korja, Metsämäki FIN Del.: Conceicao POR		
003	LTU	ACME-Zalgris-2 Kaunas	004	BLR	HC Gomel	31 : 35
	10.11.2018 11:00	Alytus (50)		17.11.2018 17:00	Gomel	31:35 (16:18)
	Ref.: Aghakishi, Aghakishi AZE Del.: Trojková CZE			Ref.: Ünü Hatipoglu, Simsek TUR Del.: Fegir UKR		
005	MLT	La Salle HC	006	MKD	ZRK Pelister 2012	24 : 30
	11.11.2018 16:00	Msida (282)		18.11.2018 18:00	Bitola	24:30 (12:17)
	Ref.: Capoccia, Jucker SUI Del.: Wills GBR			Ref.: Bytyqi, Kasapi KOS Del.: Genchev BUL		
007	CYP	A.C. Latsia Nicosia	008	CRO	ZRK Koka	
	16.11.2018 18:00	Varazdin		18.11.2018 17:00	Varazdin	
	Ref.: Backovic, Palackovic SLO Del.: Bajcinca Brestovci KOS			Ref.: Backovic, Palackovic SLO Del.: Bajcinca Brestovci KOS		
Both matches in CRO						
009	TUR	Polatli Belediyespor	010	ISR	Maccabi Srugo Rishon Lezion	26 : 24
	11.11.2018 13:00	Ankara (1200)		17.11.2018 15:00	Rishon Lezion	26:24 (17:12)
	Ref.: Beulakker, Gilis BEL Del.: Cojocarou ROU			Ref.: Ivanovic, Vujisic MNE Del.: Melkonyan ARM		
011	POL	SPR Pogon Szczecin	012	FIN	HIFK	54 : 43
	11.11.2018 16:00	Szczecin (1000)		12.11.2018 18:00	Szczecin (600)	33:22 (16:9)
	Ref.: Rakytina, Tkachuk UKR Del.: Kot BLR			Ref.: Rakytina, Tkachuk UKR Del.: Kot BLR		21:21 (9:11)
Both matches in POL						
013	NED	H.V. Quintus	014	ISL	Valur	45 : 40
	10.11.2018 19:00	Kwintsheul (550)		11.11.2018 16:00	Kwintsheul (600)	24:20 (13:8)
	Ref.: Merisi, Rosca ITA Del.: Cech SVK			Ref.: Merisi, Rosca ITA Del.: Cech SVK		21:20 (11:9)
Both matches in NED						
015	KOS	K.H.F. Istogu	016	ITA	Cassano Magnago	
	17.11.2018 20:00	Pejë		18.11.2018 17:00	Pejë	
	Ref.: Kaludjerovic, Vujacic MNE Del.: Constantinou CYP			Ref.: Kaludjerovic, Vujacic MNE Del.: Constantinou CYP		
Both matches in KOS						
017	CRO	ZRK Bjelovar	018	SWE	Kristianstad Handboll	45 : 49
	09.11.2018 19:00	Bjelovar (1300)		10.11.2018 19:00	Bjelovar (1500)	23:22 (12:11)
	Ref.: Hannes, Hannes GER Del.: Nagel SUI			Ref.: Hannes, Hannes GER Del.: Nagel SUI		22:27 (8:14)
Both matches in CRO						
019	TUR	Ankara Yenimahalle BSK	020	AZE	Azeryol Baku	
	17.11.2018 17:00	Cankaya/Ankara		18.11.2018 17:00	Cankaya/Ankara	
	Ref.: Xhema, Jahja KOS Del.: Gelashvili GEO			Ref.: Xhema, Jahja KOS Del.: Gelashvili GEO		
Both matches in TUR						
021	MKD	ZRK Kumanovo	022	NED	Geonius V&L	36 : 70
	10.11.2018 18:00	Kumanovo (1500)		11.11.2018 18:00	Kumanovo (1000)	15:39 (8:19)
	Ref.: Jakovljevic, Sando SRB Del.: Beslija MNE			Ref.: Jakovljevic, Sando SRB Del.: Beslija MNE		21:31 (10:16)
Both matches in MKD						
023	BIH	ZRK Krivaja	024	POR	Alavarium / Love Tiles	
	17.11.2018 18:30	Aveiro		18.11.2018 18:30	Aveiro	
	Ref.: Fremstad, Pedersen NOR Del.: Mamo MLT			Ref.: Fremstad, Pedersen NOR Del.: Mamo MLT		
Both matches in POR						
025	SLO	ZRK Z'Dezele Celje	026	SWE	Boden Handboll IF	
	17.11.2018 15:00	Boden		18.11.2018 13:00	Boden	
	Ref.: Jovchev, Yonchev BUL Del.: Mikucionis LTU			Ref.: Jovchev, Yonchev BUL Del.: Mikucionis LTU		
Both matches in SWE						
027	POR	SIR 1MAIO/ADA CJB	028	SRB	ZRK Naisa Nis	40 : 58
	11.11.2018 16:00	Marinha Grande (300)		12.11.2018 20:00	Marinha Grande (300)	17:28 (5:13)
	Ref.: Rauchs, Linster LUX Del.: Dubedout FRA			Ref.: Rauchs, Linster LUX Del.: Dubedout FRA		23:30 (10:14)
Both matches in POR						



029	ISR	Holon Handball Club	030	BEL	Femina Vise	45 : 52
	10.11.2018 18:00 Vise (400)			11.11.2018 17:00 Vise (400)		23:26 (9:11)
	Ref.: Sekulic, Jovandic SRB Del.: Grima MLT			Ref.: Sekulic, Jovandic SRB Del.: Grima MLT		22:26 (4:17)
Both matches in BEL						



Previous season top scorers

Rank	Name & nation	Club	Goals
1	Larissa Kalaus (CRO)	HC Lokomotiva Zagreb (CRO)	58
2	Dagmara Nocun (POL)	MKS Perla Lublin (POL)	54
3	Haridian Rodriguez Hernandez (ESP)	Rocasa Gran Canaria (ESP)	53
4	Seynabou Mbengue Rodriguez (ESP)	Rocasa Gran Canaria (ESP)	51
5	Malgorzata Rola (POL)	MKS Perla Lublin (POL)	48
6	Neslihan Akcanca (TUR)	Ardesen GSK (TUR)	46
7	Cigdem Demirbas (TUR)	Ardesen GSK (TUR)	45
8	Asli Iskit (TUR)	Kristianstad Handball Klubb (SWE)	40
9	Olha Vashchuk (TUR)	Ardesen GSK (TUR)	39
10	Joanna Drabik (POL)	MKS Perla Lublin (POL)	38
	Marta Gega (POL)	MKS Perla Lublin (POL)	38
12	Kinga Achruk (POL)	MKS Perla Lublin (POL)	36
13	Claudia Correia (POR)	Alavarium / Love Tiles (POR)	34
	Marina Glavan (CRO)	HC Lokomotiva Zagreb (CRO)	34
	Daisy Hage (NED)	Virto / Quintus (NED)	34
	Jelena Kajfes (CRO)	HC Lokomotiva Zagreb (CRO)	34
17	Tanja Vuckovic (SRB)	Zagnospor (TUR)	32
18	Sarah Carlström (SWE)	Kristianstad Handball Klubb (SWE)	31
	Manuela Pizzo (ITA)	Rocasa Gran Canaria (ESP)	31
	Carmen Reiss (AUT)	UHC Müllner Bau Stockerau (AUT)	31
21	Lidija Horvat (CRO)	Zagnospor (TUR)	30
	Perihan Topaloglu Acar (TUR)	Ardesen GSK (TUR)	30
	Tiddara Trojaola Cabezudo (ESP)	Rocasa Gran Canaria (ESP)	30
24	Stela Posavec (CRO)	HC Lokomotiva Zagreb (CRO)	28
25	Bojana Milic (SRB)	ZJRK Bor RTB (SRB)	26
	Lois Strik (NED)	Virto / Quintus (NED)	26
	Kubra Yilmaz (TUR)	Ardesen GSK (TUR)	26

Women's Challenge Cup past winners

(formerly called City Cup in the first seven seasons)

2018	MKS Perla Lublin	POL
2017	HC Lokomotiva Zagreb	CRO
2016	Rocasa Gran Canaria ACE	ESP
2015	Union Mios Biganos-Begle	FRA
2014	H65 Höör	SWE
2013	DHK Banik Most	CZE
2012	HAC Havre	FRA
2011	Mios Biganos	FRA
2010	Buxtehuder SV	GER
2009	Handball Cercle Nimes	FRA
2008	VfL Oldenburg	GER
2007	HC Naisa Nis	SRB
2006	C.S. Rulmentul Brasov	ROU
2005	TSV Bayer 04 Leverkusen	GER
2004	1.FC Nürnberg	GER
2003	Borussia Dortmund	GER
2002	Non Profit S.A. Uni	ROU
2001	Handball Cercle Nimes	FRA
2000	Rapid Bucuresti	ROU
1999	Napredak Krusevac	YUG
1998	Ikast F.S.	DEN
1997	Frankfurter Handball Club	GER
1996	AS Silcotub Zalau	ROU
1995	Rotor Volgograd	RUS
1994	Buxtehuder SV	GER

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