



**EVENT RULES for the  
IKF KCL R1 - R4  
(Club teams; all qualification rounds till finals)**

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## 1 General

- 1.1 These rules are drawn up under the requirements of the IKF Competition Regulations (latest version). Except for Articles 4 and 5 of those regulations, which are not applicable, all Articles of the IKF Competition Regulations shall be deemed to be part of these tournament event rules.
- 1.2 The Korfball Champions League (KCL club teams) R1 – R4 shall be held every year.
  - 1.2.1 R1: third full weekend of September
  - 1.2.2 R2: third full weekend of November
  - 1.2.3 R3: first full weekend of January (not including New Years Day)
  - 1.2.4 Satellite final: last full weekend of January
  - 1.2.5 Challenger final: first full weekend of February
  - 1.2.6 Champions League final (R4): second full weekend of February
- 1.3 The dates and venues of the tournament are determined by the European Competitions Working Group (ECWG) on behalf of the Executive Committee of IKF Europe and will be communicated to the national organisations concerned normally **before 1<sup>st</sup> June** of the year preceding the tournament. The qualification round's matches will be played over three days, preferably Friday to Sunday, see at 1.2. The R3 and Finals will be played over 2 days, preferably Friday and Saturday. The ECWG reserves the right to play the finals on Saturday and Sunday should the host country have very strong reasons for changing to those days - e.g. TV coverage, requirements from major sponsors etc.
- 1.4 If still needed, the Covid-19 Protocol will be provided to you ultimately 14 days before the start of the event. Just as is the case with the corresponding Covid-19 Event Rules, changes can be made until the last moment based on new or changed regulations impacting some or all participants.
- 1.5 Only one team shall qualify (nr 1 ranked) from the both R1 tournaments towards R2 tournament, which will be held with max 8 teams.
- 1.6 For the purposes of the requirements laid down in the IKF Competition Regulations and these rules, all different rounds shall be considered as separate tournaments.
- 1.7 The actual dates and venues for all rounds each year will be stated in the appendix to these rules.
- 1.8 Teams must comply with any timing requirements for arrival, departure, games etc. demanded of them by the ECWG and mentioned in the appendix. With respect to their arrival, teams must arrive in time to declare their team to the Jury at the pre-tournament meeting. This meeting shall normally be held on the evening prior to the first match in the tournament. The IKF will announce in advance the time by which all teams must be present. (It shall not be necessary for the whole team to arrive at this time but it is essential that at least one representative is present. In the final rounds teams shall be free to leave after the prize-giving and closing ceremony. The earliest possible departure time shall be indicated in the schedule.
- 1.9 The requirements of the IKF with respect to the organisation of the tournament will be laid down in a contract to be signed between the IKF and the host country.
- 1.10 The maximum number of players from each team that may participate shall be 7 male and 7 female in line with the latest IKF Playing Rules.

1.11 The closing date for submitting the **Long List Form** referred to in Article 6.2 of the Competition Regulations shall be 28 days prior to the start of the tournament. All listed players (max 28 players) must have their eligibility approved in accordance with the IKF Competition Regulations Article 3.

1.12 For a player to be eligible to play in this tournament the player must have been a member of the entering club as follows:

Unless the match or tournament rules state otherwise, to take part in an official IKF match or match series a player must have been a bona fide, registered member of that club for a minimum period of 3 months. If a player plays for a club in a preliminary round or rounds of an official IKF match or match series, then that player is not allowed to play for another club in the final round, nor in any other IKF club competition during the same season.

If required, Members will be required to certify that this condition has been met. Infringements of this rule may lead to sanctions being taken against the IKF Member as well as the club concerned.

1.13 The **Final Players' Declaration Form** referred to in Article 6.3 of the Competition regulations shall be returned to the IKF 14 days before the event. **The signed document "Country Athletes Officials Consents"** list will be confirmed to the Jury at the eligibility pre-tournament meeting between the Jury and Team managers. Players listed in this form **must** have been included in the **Information Form (Long List)** and any emergency changes in this list **must** also have been listed in the original **Information Form (Long List)**. The final selection shall be signed off by the club at the pre-tournament Team Managers' meeting with the Jury.

## 2 Participation

2.1 The invited teams of the national leagues/competitions of the European national organisations (must be member of the IKF) during the preceding season may participate in the tournament. See all criteria mentioned in Appendix 4, attached is the KCL-document to this document.

2.2 No more than 4 teams can participate in the different finals of the KCL tournament. For the first-round R1 2021 more than 8 teams can enter for that tournament based on criteria (see Appendix 4) laid down by the IKF European Competition Working Group (ECWG).

2.3 All arrangements concerning the payment of the travelling and lodging expenses of the participating teams and their accompanying officials, together with the payment of any costs of participation, will be made by the participating clubs in accordance with Article 2.8 of the Competition Regulations of the IKF unless the Executive Committee of the IKF decides differently.

## 3 Entries

3.1 Entries of the participating teams must be submitted to the IKF secretariat by the national organisation to which the club(s) is(are) affiliated no later than the **31<sup>st</sup> May** of the year preceding the KCL R1 – R4 of this club-team tournament. If a national organisation is unable to name its champion club by this date then it should ascertain if the team/s likely to become champions is/are likely to want to participate and enter the team/s provisionally, confirming which team will participate within one week of its competition's winners having been determined.

3.2 Within one week of the closing date for entries, the ECWG will advise the national organisations concerned if their club will be required to play in first round tournaments/matches and the venues for any such first round tournament. Any first round tournaments/matches must be completed by the full third weekend of September of the year preceding the finals. The host

country of the different R3 and finals will be informed of the competing clubs for the finals within one week of the completion of the second round and R3 tournaments/matches.

- 3.3 Qualification for the R1 – R4 is part of the KCL-document, see attachment
- 3.4 Clubs which cancel their entries may be punished by the Executive Committee of the IKF in accordance with Article 2.6 of the Competition Regulations of the IKF and Article 12.3 of the IKF Disciplinary Procedures.
- 3.5 The participating clubs must, before the start of any round of the tournament in which they participate, confirm in writing to the IKF secretariat that they have complied with Article 2.10 of the Competition Regulations concerning suitable insurance being taken out to cover the cost of any medical treatment, including those for Covid-19 (when applicable), of the members of their delegation during their stay in the places where the tournament is being held.

#### **4 Playing-schedules**

- 4.1 The playing schedules for each round of the tournament will be an appendix to these rules and will be published separately.
- 4.2 No deviation from the playing schedules may be made without the approval of the ECWG.
- 4.3 Should a club cancel its entry after the final clubs have been named, the ECWG shall have the power to permit the replacement of this club if this is desirable for the organisation of the tournament. If a replacement is not possible then article 4.2 may not fully apply and a new playing schedule will be organised.

#### **5 Details arising from the Competition Regulations**

- 5.1 Matches in the R3 and finals shall take place according to scenario D1 and on during R1 and R2 to scenario D3 as mentioned in Appendix 2 of the IKF Competition Regulations unless the ECWG determines otherwise.
- 5.2 Art.21.4 – Matches shall be played with Mikasa K5 IKF balls.
- 5.3 Art.21.4 – Matches shall be played with approved artificial korfs. For all official IKF Tournaments the korfs shall be those manufactured by Korfbizz BV (identified by serial number 01-79348-NL or 02-79348-NL on the korfs).
- 5.4 Art 3.8.2 – For the first round tournament(s) the period of membership of a club that is required for a player to be eligible to participate shall be mentioned in the last published IKF Competition Regulations.
- 5.5 Matches in the first round R1 tournament(s) shall take place according to scenario C2 in Appendix 2 of the Competition Regulations unless the ECWG determines otherwise.

#### **6 Late starts of matches**

- 6.1 Should any team not be ready to start within 5 minutes of the scheduled starting time the Jury will decide whether the match should be abandoned or re-scheduled. In accordance with Article 19 of the Competition Regulations, if a match is abandoned in such circumstances then the matter will be reported to the TDP, along with the reasons for the team's late arrival. The TDP will then decide whether the team concerned forfeits the match (in accordance with Article 19.3) or if no disciplinary action is taken (in which case Article 19.2 shall apply).

#### **7 Arrival and Departure of Teams**

- 7.1 In the Appendix showing the schedule for each tournament the latest arrival time and earliest departure time shall be listed for each event. These times, which are set with the obligatory pre-



tournament meeting, playing schedule and award ceremony in mind, must be adhered to by participating teams.

## 8 Final Provision

The jury shall have the power to deal with any matter that is not provided for under these rules.

Laid down by the Executive Committee of the IKF to take effect from 1 January 2019 updated for tournaments the years after.

## APPENDICIES

### **Arrival and Departure of teams:**

Teams must arrive in time for their supporting eligibility documents to be checked by the Jury at the mandatory pre-tournament meeting:

**Meeting 1:** This Team Managers meeting will be a virtual meeting.

**Meeting 2:** This eligibility meeting shall be held on the day before the first match in the R1 and R2 tournament at 8 pm at the venue. If any change in time is made then this shall be sent to the competing teams nearer the date of the tournament but cannot be earlier than the time stated here.

Teams shall be free to leave one hour after the scheduled start time for the prize-giving and closing ceremonies.

**Dates:** **R1** matches shall be played during full third weekend of September 2022 in POL Wroclaw and POR Lisbon, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

**R2** matches shall be played during full third weekend of November 2022 in CZE Prostejov, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

**R3** matches shall be played during full first weekend of January 2023 (not New Years Day) in BEL Antwerp, Friday and Saturday

### **Finals:**

**Satellite finals:** matches shall be played during the last full weekend of January 2023 in XXX, Friday/Saturday or Saturday/Sunday

**Challenger finals:** matches shall be played during the first full weekend of February 2023 in XXX, Friday/Saturday or Saturday/Sunday

**Champions League finals:** matches shall be played during the second full weekend of February 2023 in NED, Friday Saturday or Saturday/Sunday

## APPENDIX 1: playing schedule

### Pool A

A1 - ENG2	Tornadoes Korfball Club Korfbal klub
A2 - CZE2	Brno
A3 - SCO1	Glasgow Korfball Club
A4 - HUN3	Kékvölgy SE

### Pool B

B1 - POL1	AZS Balluff Wrocław
B2 - FRA1	SJBAGB
B3 - SVK1	SKK Dolphins Prievidza
B4 - TUR2	Yıldız Teknik University SC

### Match Scenario D3

Preparation time 10 min	Playtime	40	
4x 8 min RPT	Warmup	10	
1x TO per team	Timeout	4	
6x subs per team	HT	5	
HT 5 min	Golden Goal	8,25	average procedure
GG 5 min RPT	Protocol Match time	3 70,25	minutes

Day	Game Name	Time	Home	Away
Friday	1	12:30	B1	B3
	2	13:40	B2	B4
	3	14:50	A2	A4
	4	16:00	A1	A3
	5	17:10	B2	B3
	6	18:20	B1	B4
	7	19:30	A1	A4
	8	20:40	A2	A3
Saturday	9	09:30	B1	B2
	10	10:40	A1	A2
	11	11:50	B3	B4
	12	12:00	A3	A4
	BREAK	13:00	BREAK	BREAK Place
	SF1	16:00	Place A1	B2 Place
	SF2	17:10	Place A2	B1 Place
	XF1	18:20	Place A3	B4 Place
	XF2	19:30	Place A4	B3



<b>Sunday</b>	7th-8th	09:00	Loser XF1	Loser XF2
	5th-6th	10:10	Winner XF1	Winner XF2
	3rd-4th	11:20	Loser SF1	Loser SF2
	1st-2nd	12:30	Winner SF1	Winner SF2

**APPENDIX 2 (IKF Competition Regulations)**

In all scenarios substitutes are allowed to return to the match and real playing time shall be used.

Scenario	Length of each half (real playing time)	Length of half time	Length of “golden goal” period	Number of time outs allowed
A1	25 minutes	10 minutes	10 minutes	2 per team
B1	20 minutes	10 minutes	10 minutes	2 per team
C1	16 minutes	4 minutes	5 minutes	1 per team
D1	20 minutes split in two periods of 10 minutes with 1 minute break between each period	10 minutes	10 minutes	1 per team
D3	16 minutes split in two periods of 8 minutes with 1 minute break between each period	5 minutes	5 minutes	1 per team

**Note 1:** When there is a break between quarters it shall be administered like a time-out (i.e. a signal from the scorer will be made after 50 seconds upon which players are expected to return to the field)

**Note 2:** The number of substitutions, the golden goal procedures and the penalty shoot-out provisions will be done according to the “IKF Rules of Korfball”

If IKF deems necessary some adjustments can be expressed in the event rules.

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## **APPENDIX 3: Media and clothing in IKF Events**

### **GENERAL**

The IKF is keen to increase korfbal awareness to the outside world or even more explicit; outside our global korfbal community. We want to attract more and more people to our sport.

The media are a major distributor of our korfbal content. Our media are: written media like newspapers and magazines, radio, Tv, (live) web casting and all social media.

Under all circumstances the IKF as owner of the IKF events and the event content follows the rules of the media.

We try to realise that korfbal must look good and professional under all aspects and under various circumstances; big screens (Tv), smaller screens (Tv, Pc, laptop) and small screens (Tablets, smart phones).

This delivers restrictions to our recordings. We want to minimize the risk media will refuse to use our recordings for their distribution channels as a consequence of too equal clothing of the two teams.

### **TV AND (LIVE) WEB CASTING**

We are aware our sport needs Tv and web casting for a broader distribution of IKF events within and outside the korfbal community.

In the market of sports and distribution of content we must strive to have a higher ranked position. We evade points, like equal clothing, that might harm our potential high rank position.

We will do our utmost to reach our goal.

Since 2012 we work successfully with web casting thru our own web casting team. We record all matches of the major IKF events and distribute these via worldkorfbal.sport, the ikfchannel on You Tube, the IWGA channel and the Olympic channel.

In the years since 2012 we improved the quality of the recordings, the screens we show and the commentary to bring high quality to the end users all over the world.

Since 2015 the national broadcasters of Belgium, The Netherlands, Germany, Suriname acknowledge our quality improvements; in recordings and colours, obey to the local media rules, pay attention to enough differences in shirt colours. For that reason we remain strict in our shirt colour strategy and do not allow colours that are closely related.

The national broadcasters did use (parts of) our web casting recordings for their local programs.

We (IKF) have been asked by them to do our utmost to deliver high quality:

1. We record all matches in HD quality
2. We record all matches with two or more cameras and listen careful to their comments re. camera positions and shots taken



3. From the teams we ask clothing, shirts and shorts, that shows in the best way TEAM A and TEAM B
4. We ask the teams since many years to bring at least two sets of shirts with different colours to an IKF event with fixed numbers per player in the front and on the back. In the team managers meeting we mention the use of the shirts might be point of discussion between teams and with the jury. The decision of the jury is final and without appeal following the rules mentioned in the IKF Competition Regulations.
5. We have no influence on the colours of the shorts as yet
6. The jury is aware of the media requirements re. shirts
7. One of the other aspects is: be aware of colour-blindness amongst our viewers
8. In that way; where shorts are more or less equal, shirts must make all the difference. From that point of view we do not approve colours of shirts that might look the same or are closely related at any time.

See also letter by IKF about IKF Competition Regulations 2022, sent 15-1-2022 (attached)

#### **APPENDIX 4: Criteria participating at Korfball Champions League (KCL) tournaments R1 – R4**

See attachment about the set-up and criteria KCL

- Letter new KCL
- Letter KCL for Countries