



RULES for the
IKF WORLD KORFBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

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INTERNATIONAL KORFBALL FEDERATION

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1 General

- 1 These rules are drawn up under the requirements of Article 1 of the IKF Competition Regulations. All articles of the IKF Competition Regulations shall be deemed to be part of these tournament rules.
- 2 The IKF World Korfball Championship 2023 shall be used as a qualification tournament for the World Games 2025 (see appendix 4).
- 3 The IKF World Korfball Championship 2023 will be a qualification event for the IKF European Korfball Championship A- and B-Division 2024. The top eight ranked EU participants of the IKF WKC 2023 final ranking will qualify for the IKF EKC-A 2024. The other EU countries at the IKF WKC 2023 will automatically play in the IKF EKC-B, together with the remaining qualified teams. At the end of 2023 an extra qualification event will take place for the remaining positions at the IKF EKC-B.
- 4 The dates and venues of the tournament were determined by IKF and communicated to the national organisations concerned. This WKC will be played with 24 qualified teams.
- 5 The actual dates and venues for the tournament are stated in the appendix to these rules.
- 6 The requirements of the IKF with respect to the organisation of the tournament are laid down in a contract signed between the IKF and the host country.
- 7 Teams must comply with any timing requirements for arrival, departure, games, etc. demanded of them by the IKF and mentioned in the appendix.
- 8 The maximum number of players from each team that may participate shall be 14 in total on the final list and match-form: seven (7) male and seven (7) female.
- 9 The closing date for submitting the **IKF Long List** referred to in Article 6.2 of the Competition Regulations shall be **1 September 2023**. All listed players must have their eligibility approved in advance in accordance with the IKF Competition Regulations Article 3.
- 10 The **Final Form** referred to in Article 6.3 of the Competition regulations shall be submitted to the IKF no later than **1 October 2023, including the signed document "Country Athletes Officials Consents" according to Article 2.2** of the Competition Regulations. The last mentioned list will be confirmed to the Jury at the pre-tournament meeting between the Jury and Team managers. Players listed in the form **must** have been included in the **Long List** and any emergency changes in this list **must** also have been listed in the original **Long List**.

2 Participation

- 1 The tournament is opened to National selections of players from countries who are members of the IKF in accordance with Article 8 of the IKF Statutes.
- 2 The IKF shall determine which countries are eligible to participate.
- 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 teams in accordance with Article 2.8 of the Competition Regulations of the IKF, unless the Executive Committee of the IKF decides differently.

- 4 The participating countries must 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 of the members of their delegation during their stay in the places where the tournament is being held.

3 Playing-schedules

- 1 The playing schedule will be an appendix 2 to these rules and will be published separately at least two months prior to the start of the event.
- 2 The participating teams were placed into the pools after a public drawing by the IKF Competitions Committee (CC) broadly based on the rankings of the countries. The pools and match schedules shall be as shown in this appendix 2.
- 3 No deviation from the playing schedules may be made without the approval of the CC.
- 4 IKF jury can decide that in the last pre-round matches the match-schedule can be changed on starting-time (hall 1 and hall 2 same time)

4 Details arising from Article 22 of the Competition Regulations

- 1 Matches shall be played with approved artificial korfs and Mikasa K5-IKF balls (art.22.4).
- 2 The matches shall be played according to schedule D1 in appendix 2 of the IKF Competition Regulations 2023. The schedule sets out the length of each half, length of 'real playing time' per half, the length of half time, the length of any 'golden goal' period, the provisions for any penalty shoot-out, whether or not substitutes may return to the game, the number of substitutions allowed and the number of time-outs allowed.
- 3 In accordance with paragraph 3.3 of the IKF Rules of Korfball update 2023, valid from 1-9-2023, the shot clock will be used in this competition.
- 4 If the scores are equal after normal time golden goal extra time shall be played under the conditions laid down in the IKF Rules of Korfball update 2023.
- 5 If the scores are still level after golden goal extra time then the match shall be decided by penalties, under the conditions laid down in the IKF Rules of Korfball update 2023.

5 Late starts of matches

- 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 20 of the IKF Competition Regulations, if a match is abandoned in such circumstances then the matter will be reported to the Tournament Disciplinary Panel (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 20.3) or if no disciplinary action is taken (in which case Article 20.2 shall apply).

6 Final Provision

- 1 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
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APPENDIX 1

Arrival and Departure of teams:

Teams must arrive in time for their supporting eligibility documents to be checked by the Jury at the pre-tournament meeting. This meeting shall be held on the day before the first match in the tournament. The time of the meeting shall be considered to be 1600 for the purposes of this travel requirement. 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.

Also a mandatory virtual team-managers meeting will be held, this is one week before the start of the event presenting all tournament rules & regulations. Invitations will then be sent out by the IKF Office in time.

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

Dates: Matches shall be played during the period 20 October – 29 October 2023, both dates inclusive.

Venues: Taipei (TPE)
Taipei Gymnasium

Groups:

Group A Netherlands, Slovakia, Brazil
Group B Belgium, Hong Kong China, Türkiye
Group C Chinese Taipei, New Zealand, Ireland
Group D Germany, Australia, Japan
Group E China, England, India
Group F Portugal, Poland, South Africa,
Group G Suriname, Hungary, Malaysia
Group H Czech Republic, Catalonia, Thailand



APPENDIX 2

Match- and training schedule

IKF WORLD KORFBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 2023 MATCH AND TRAINING SCHEDULE

Match Scenario D1
preparation time 20'
2x 20' RPT split in two periods of 10' minutes with 1 minute break between each period
2 time outs per team on demand
2 technical time outs after 10' in each half
8 (reversible) subs
HT 10'
GG 10' RPT
Penalties (team): sudden death

day 0
19 Oct 2023

Time schedule day 0

TRAINING											
Court 1				Court 2				Court 3			
14.00 - 15.00	NED	GER		14.00 - 15.00	BEL	BRA		14.00 - 15.00	TUR	JPN	
15.00 - 16.00	ENG	NZL		15.00 - 16.00	IND	RSA		15.00 - 16.00	POR	CHN	
16.00 - 17.00	THA	SVK		16.00 - 17.00	MAS	CAT		16.00 - 17.00	SUR	CZE	
17.00 - 18.00	HUN	AUS		17.00 - 18.00	POL	TPE		17.00 - 18.00	IRL	HKG	

day 1
20 Oct 2023

8 matches in total

FIRST GROUP STAGE

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
NED	BEL	TPE	GER	CHN	POR	SUR	CZE
SVK	HKG	NZL	AUS	ENG	POL	HUN	CAT
BRA	TUR	IRL	JPN	IND	RSA	MAS	THA

Match 1	Match 2	Match 3	Match 4	Match 5	Match 6	Match 7	Match 8								
A1	A3	B1	B3	C1	C3	D1	D3	E1	E3	F1	F3	G1	G3	H1	H3

Time schedule day 1

TRAINING											
Court 1				Court 2				Court 3			
09.30 - 10.15	NED	GER		09.30 - 10.15	TUR	JPN		09.30 - 10.15	BEL	BRA	
10.15 - 11.00	IND	POR						10.15 - 11.00	CHN	RSA	
11.00 - 11.45	MAS	THA						11.00 - 11.45	SUR	CZE	
11.45 - 12.30	IRL	CAT						11.45 - 12.30	TPE	SVK	
								12.30 - 13.15	HKG	NZL	
								13.15 - 14.00	AUS	ENG	
								14.00 - 14.45	POL	HUN	

MATCHES											
Court 1				Court 2				Court 3			
13:00 Match 2	BEL	TUR		11:15 Match 1	NED	BRA					
14:45 Match 5	CHN	IND		13:00 Match 4	GER	JPN					
16:30 Match 7	SUR	MAS		14:45 Match 6	POR	RSA					
18:15 Opening ceremony				16:30 Match 8	CZE	THA					
19:15 Match 3	TPE	IRL									

day 2
21 Oct 2023

8 matches in total

Match 9	Match 10	Match 11	Match 12	Match 13	Match 14	Match 15	Match 16								
A2	A3	B2	B3	C2	C3	D2	D3	E2	E3	F2	F3	G2	G3	H2	H3

Time schedule day 2

TRAINING											
Court 1				Court 2				Court 3			
09.30 - 10.15	SVK	NZL		09.30 - 10.15	HKG	BRA		09.30 - 10.15	TUR	IRL	
10.15 - 11.00	IND	RSA		10.15 - 11.00	AUS	POL		10.15 - 11.00	ENG	JPN	
11.00 - 11.45	HUN	SUR		11.00 - 11.45	THA	CZE		11.00 - 11.45	CHN	MAS	
11.45 - 12.30	POR	NED		11.45 - 12.30	BEL	CHN		11.45 - 12.30	GER	TPE	

MATCHES											
Court 1				Court 2				Court 3			
14:00 Match 10	HKG	TUR		14:00 Match 9	SVK	BRA					
15:45 Match 12	AUS	JPN		15:45 Match 11	NZL	IRL					
17:30 Match 14	POL	RSA		17:30 Match 13	ENG	IND					
19:15 Match 16	CAT	THA		19:15 Match 15	HUN	MAS					

day 3
22 Oct 2023

8 matches in total

Match 17	Match 18	Match 19	Match 20	Match 21	Match 22	Match 23	Match 24								
A1	A2	B1	B2	C1	C2	D1	D2	E1	E2	F1	F2	G1	G2	H1	H2

Time schedule day 3

TRAINING											
Court 1				Court 2				Court 3			
09.30 - 10.15	BEL	NZL		09.30 - 10.15	SVK	TPE		09.30 - 10.15	NED	HKG	
10.15 - 11.00	POR	GER		10.15 - 11.00	CHN	AUS		10.15 - 11.00	POL	ENG	
11.00 - 11.45	CAT	TUR		11.00 - 11.45	SUR	BRA		11.00 - 11.45	HUN	CZE	
11.45 - 12.30	RSA	MAS		11.45 - 12.30	THA	IND		11.45 - 12.30	IRL	JPN	

MATCHES											
Court 1				Court 2				Court 3			
14:00 Match 17	NED	SVK		14:00 Match 18	BEL	HKG					
15:45 Match 19	TPE	NZL		15:45 Match 20	GER	AUS					
17:30 Match 21	CHN	ENG		17:30 Match 22	POR	POL					
19:15 Match 23	SUR	HUN		19:15 Match 24	CZE	CAT					

day 4
23 Oct 2023

12 matches in total

SECOND GROUP STAGE

I	J	K	L
A3	B1	C3	D1
B3	B2	C1	D2
H1	G1	F1	E1
H2	G2	F2	E2

Other		
A3	E3	
B3	F3	
C3	G3	
D3	H3	

Match 25	Match 26	Match 27	Match 28				
A1	B1	C2	F2	G1	E2		
Match 29	Match 30	Match 31	Match 32				
A3	B1	B2	G1	C3	E1	D2	E1

Match 33	A3	H3	Cross match
Match 34	B3	G3	Cross match
Match 35	C3	F3	Cross match
Match 36	D3	E3	Cross match

* Losers cross matches play round robin 21-24



Time schedule day 4

Court 1			Court 2			Court 3		
09:30 - 10:15	A3	B1	09:30 - 10:15	H3	H2	09:30 - 10:15	G2	A1
10:15 - 11:00	B9	D1	10:15 - 11:00	G3	F2	10:15 - 11:00	E2	C1
11:00 - 11:45	C3	B2	11:00 - 11:45	F3	H1	11:00 - 11:45	G1	A2
11:45 - 12:30	D3	D2	11:45 - 12:30	E3	F1	11:45 - 12:30	F1	C2

Court 1			Court 2			Court 3		
14:00 Match 25	A1	H2	14:00 Match 26	E1	G2	14:00 Match 33	A3	H3
15:45 Match 27	C1	F2	15:45 Match 28	D1	E2	15:45 Match 34	B3	G3
17:30 Match 29	A2	H1	17:30 Match 30	B2	G1	17:30 Match 35	C3	F3
19:15 Match 31	C2	F1	19:15 Match 32	D2	F1	19:15 Match 36	D3	E3

day 5

12 matches in total

Match 37	Match 38	Match 39	Match 40	Match 45	Match 46	Match 47	Match 48
A3	H1	B3	G1	C2	F1	D1	E1
A3	H1	B3	G1	C2	F1	D1	E1
A3	H1	B3	G1	C2	F1	D1	E1
A3	H1	B3	G1	C2	F1	D1	E1

*Result match first group stage included in ranking second group stage

Time schedule day 5

Court 1			Court 2			Court 3		
09:30 - 10:15	I5	D1	09:30 - 10:15	I5	C1	09:30 - 10:15	I1	F1
10:15 - 11:00	I5	B1	10:15 - 11:00	I5	A1	10:15 - 11:00	G1	H1
11:00 - 11:45	wn 33	B2	11:00 - 11:45	wn 35	A2	11:00 - 11:45	G2	H2
11:45 - 12:30	wn 34	D2	11:45 - 12:30	wn 36	C2	11:45 - 12:30	E2	F2

Court 1			Court 2			Court 3		
14:00 Match 39	C1	F1	14:00 Match 40	D1	E1	14:00 Match 47	I5	I6
15:45 Match 37	A1	H1	15:45 Match 38	B1	G1	15:45 Match 48	I5	I6
17:30 Match 41	A2	H2	17:30 Match 42	B2	G2	17:30 Match 49	wn 33	wn 35
19:15 Match 43	C2	F2	19:15 Match 44	D2	E2	19:15 Match 46	wn 34	wn 36

day 6

Global rest day

places 1-8 C2 - SF - F	places 9 - 12 round robin	places 13-20 C2 - SF - F	places 21-24 round robin
I1	I9	wn 45	I5
I2	I9	wn 46	I5
I1	I9	I5	I5
I2	I9	I5	I5
K1	I9	I5	I5
K2	I9	I5	I5
L1	I9	I5	I5
L2	I9	I5	I5

*Wn45, wn46, I5 and I6 are ranked based on the results in the cross matches, see CR article 23
 *I5 4 pool A-D are ranked based on the results in the 2nd group stage, result against number 1 is not included

Court 1			Court 2			Court 3		
09:30 - 10:15	I5	I1	09:30 - 10:15	Nr 4 pool I-I (1)	I2	09:30 - 10:15	I2	I1
10:15 - 11:00	I5	K1	10:15 - 11:00	Nr 4 pool I-I (2)	L2	10:15 - 11:00	I2	I1
11:00 - 11:45	I5	J3	11:00 - 11:45	I5	L3	11:00 - 11:45	K3	I3
11:45 - 12:30	I5	wn 46	11:45 - 12:30	Nr 4 pool I-I (3)	I5	11:45 - 12:30	4 pool I-I	wn 45

day 7

12 matches in total

Match 49	Match 50	Match 51	Match 52	Match 53	Match 54	Match 59	Match 60
I1	I1	I1	K1	I3	J3	I5	I5
I1	I1	I1	K1	I3	J3	I5	I5
I1	I1	I1	K1	I3	J3	I5	I5
I1	I1	I1	K1	I3	J3	I5	I5

Time schedule day 7

Court 1			Court 2			Court 3		
09:30 - 10:15	I3	I5	09:30 - 10:15	L1	Nr 4 pool I-I (1)	09:30 - 10:15	I2	L3
10:15 - 11:00	J3	I5	10:15 - 11:00	J1	Nr 4 pool I-I (2)	10:15 - 11:00	K2	K3
11:00 - 11:45	wn 45	I5	11:00 - 11:45	I1	I5	11:00 - 11:45	I2	Nr 4 pool I-I (3)
11:45 - 12:30	wn 46	I5	11:45 - 12:30	K1	I5	11:45 - 12:30	I2	Nr 4 pool I-I (4)

Court 1			Court 2			Court 3		
14:00 Match 49	I1	I2	14:00 Match 53	I3	L3	14:00 Match 55	I5	Nr 4 pool I-I (1)
15:45 Match 50	J1	K2	15:45 Match 54	J3	K3	15:45 Match 56	I5	Nr 4 pool I-I (2)
17:30 Match 51	I1	L2	17:30 Match 57	wn 45	Nr 4 pool I-I (3)	17:30 Match 59	I5	I5
19:15 Match 52	K1	J2	19:15 Match 58	wn 46	Nr 4 pool I-I (4)	19:15 Match 60	I5	I5

day 8

10 matches in total

Match 61	Match 62	Match 63	Match 64	Match 65	Match 66	Match 67	Match 68	Match 69	Match 70
I5	wn 49	I5	wn 50	I3	I3	I5	wn 55	I5	wn 58
I5	wn 49	I5	wn 50	I3	I3	I5	wn 55	I5	wn 58
I5	wn 49	I5	wn 50	I3	I3	I5	wn 55	I5	wn 58
I5	wn 49	I5	wn 50	I3	I3	I5	wn 55	I5	wn 58

Time schedule day 8

Court 1			Court 2			Court 3		
09:30 - 10:15	wn 55	I5	09:30 - 10:15	I5	I5	09:30 - 10:15	I5	wn 56
10:15 - 11:00	wn 57	I5	10:15 - 11:00	wn 49	I5	10:15 - 11:00	wn 51	wn 58
11:00 - 11:45	I3	I5	11:00 - 11:45	I5	I5	11:00 - 11:45	I5	I3
11:45 - 12:30	I3	I5	11:45 - 12:30	wn 52	I5	11:45 - 12:30	wn 50	K3

Court 1			Court 2			Court 3		
14:00 Match 61	I5	I5	14:00 Match 68	wn 55	wn 56	14:00 Match 67	I5	I5
15:45 Match 62	wn 49	wn 51	15:45 Match 70	wn 57	wn 58	15:45 Match 69	I5	I5
17:30 Match 63	I5	I5	17:30 Match 65	I3	I3	17:30 Match 68	I5	I5
19:15 Match 64	wn 52	wn 50	19:15 Match 66	I3	K3	17:30 Match 69	I5	I5



day 9 8 matches in total

28 Oct 2023

Match 71	Is 33	Is 34	Round Robin
Match 72	Is 35	Is 36	Round Robin

Match 77	K3	L3	Round Robin
Match 78	I3	J3	Round Robin

Match 73	Is 67	Is 69	places 19-20
Match 74	wn 67	wn 68	places 17-18
Match 75	Is 68	Is 70	places 15-16
Match 76	wn 68	wn 70	places 13-14

Time schedule day 9

TRAINING

Court 1				Court 2				Court 3			
09:30 - 10:15	Is 35	wn 67		09:30 - 10:15	Is 33	Is 36		09:30 - 10:15	Is 34	wn 69	
10:15 - 11:00	wn 68	Is 68		10:15 - 11:00	Is 67	Is 70		10:15 - 11:00	Is 69	wn 70	
11:00 - 11:45	Is 64	wn 64		11:00 - 11:45	K3	I3		11:00 - 11:45	I3		
11:45 - 12:30	wn 62	Is 62		11:45 - 12:30	wn 61	Is 61		11:45 - 12:30	wn 63	Is 63	

MATCHES

Court 1				Court 2				Court 3			
14:00 Match 71	Is 33	Is 34	places 21-24	14:00 Match 72	Is 35	Is 36	places 21-24				
15:45 Match 73	Is 67	Is 69	places 19-20	15:45 Match 74	wn 67	wn 68	places 17-18				
17:30 Match 75	Is 68	Is 70	places 15-16	17:30 Match 76	wn 68	wn 70	places 13-14				
19:15 Match 77	K3	I3	places 9-12	19:15 Match 78	I3	J3	places 9-12				

day 10 4 matches in total

29 Oct 2023

Match 79	Is 61	Is 63	places 7-8
Match 80	wn 61	wn 63	places 5-6
Match 81	Is 62	Is 64	places 3-4
Match 82	wn 62	wn 64	places 1-2

Time schedule day 10

MATCHES

Court 1			
09:30 Match 79	Is 61	Is 63	places 7-8
10:45 Match 80	wn 61	wn 63	places 5-6
12:45 Match 81	Is 62	Is 64	places 3-4
14:45 Match 82	wn 62	wn 64	places 1-2
16:00	Medal Ceremony		



APPENDIX 3

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
A1	25 minutes	10 minutes	10 minutes
D1	20 minutes split in two periods of 10 minutes with 1 minute break between each period	10 minutes	10 minutes
D3	16 minutes split in two periods of 8 minutes with 1 minute break between each period	5 minutes	5 minutes

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 number of time outs, 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.



APPENDIX 4

IKF QUALIFICATION CRITERIA FOR THE WORLD GAMES (TWG) 2025

There are eight qualification places available for TWG. The framework aims at having 4 Continents representing Korfball at the TWG 2025 out of the five Continents represented in the WKC 2023 - Africa, Americas, Asia, Europe, Oceania. To make this happen, participants from 4 Continents should finish in the top-11 at the IKF WKC 2023.

The upcoming IKF WKC 2023 in Taipei will be used as the only qualification event for The World Games 2025 (TWG) in Chengdu, China.

Therefore, the final ranking at the IKF WKC 2023 decides which National Teams qualify for the TWG 2025, taking into consideration the following criteria:

1. All qualified teams for the TWG 2025 must participate in the WKC 2023
2. As host of TWG 2025, CHN must be ranked in top 13 at the WKC 2023 to guarantee the qualification as host of TWG 2025. If CHN does not finish in top 13 of the WKC 2023, a wildcard will be given to be decided by IKF Council vote, taking the interest of quality of the competition, global representation, and marketing impact into account.
3. If the top 8 ranking, including CHN, consists of participants of at least 4 Continents the top 8 will qualify directly.
4. If four continents are represented in the Top 11 then
 - a. CHN qualifies (if in top 13) but does not count on behalf of Asia
 - b. If CHN does not finish in top 13 of the WKC 2023, a wildcard will be given to be decided by IKF Council vote
 - c. Considering only Top 11 teams, the highest ranked team from each continent qualify
 - d. Starting with the highest ranked team and descending, teams who have not qualified via the steps above are then added until eight places are filled.
5. If three or two continents are represented in the Top 11 then
 - a. CHN qualifies (if in top 13) but does not count on behalf of Asia
 - b. If CHN does not finish in top 13 of the WKC 2023, a wildcard will be given to be decided by IKF Council vote
 - c. Considering only Top 11 teams, the highest ranked team from each of those continents qualifies
 - d. Starting with the highest ranked team and descending, teams who have not qualified via the steps above are then added until eight places are filled.
6. If only one continent is represented in the Top 11 then
 - a. CHN qualifies (if in top 13) but does not count on behalf of Asia
 - b. If CHN does not finish in top 13 of the WKC 2023, a wildcard will be given to be decided by IKF Council vote
 - c. Starting with the highest ranked team and descending, teams who have not qualified via the step above are then added until eight places are filled.