



Men's World Championship Qualification Europe



The 27th Men's World Championship (IHF Event) in Egypt will be held 15 to 31 January 2021

TEAM INFO No.1

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Dear Handball Friends,

The draw for the 2021 Men's World Championship Qualification Europe matches took place in Vienna, Austria, on 23 July 2019.

Please find below the draw results and an overview about the Qualification Europe for the 2021 Men's World Championship in Egypt:

Total entries:	39 teams
Total teams at final tournament:	32 teams
Places Europe at final tournament:	13 teams, DEN (World Champion 2019) not included
Qualified for final tournament:	DEN (World Champion 2019) and up to three best ranked team from EHF EURO 2020 in SWE / AUT / NOR
Qualified for Phase 2 part 2 (Play-off):	Participants of the OG Qualification tournaments
Qualified for Phase 2 part 1:	Remaining participants of the EHF EURO 2020: AUT, BIH, BLR, CRO, CZE, ESP, FRA, GER, HUN, ISL, LAT, MKD, MNE, NED, NOR, POL, POR, RUS, SLO, SRB, SUI, SWE, UKR (20 out of these 23) and four Winners of the WCh Qualification Phase 1
Qualification Phase 1:	All registered teams, which did not qualify for EHF EURO 2020: BEL, CYP, EST, FAR, FIN, GEO, GRE, ISR, ITA, KOS, LTU, LUX, ROU, SVK, TUR

The remaining European places (10) will be decided in the WCh Qualification Europe Phase 1 and Phase 2 (part 1 and part2).

Draw Results:

Row	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
1	LTU	ISR	ITA	TUR
2	SVK	GRE	ROU	BEL
3	FAR	FIN	KOS	EST
4	LUX	CYP	GEO	

I. Qualification Phase 1:

The Qualification Europe for the 2021 Men's World Championship will be played over three weeks in home and away matches. These matches will be played in 3 groups of 4 teams and 1 group of 3 teams. The winner of each group qualifies for the Qualification Europe Phase 2 part 1.

The following three periods are available for the Qualification Europe Phase 1 matches:

home and away matches:

Round	Day	Dates	Basic playing schedule 4 teams	Basic playing schedule 3 teams
Round 1	Wednesday – Thursday	23. – 24.10.2019	1 - 3 + 4 – 2	1 - 3
Round 2	Saturday – Sunday	26. – 27.10.2019	2 - 1 + 3 – 4	3 - 1
Round 3	Wednesday – Thursday	01. – 02.01.2020	4 - 1 + 2 - 3	3 - 2
Round 4	Saturday – Sunday	04. – 05.01.2020	1 - 4 + 3 – 2	2 - 3
Round 5	Wednesday – Thursday	08. – 09.01.2020	3 - 1 + 2 – 4	2 - 1
Round 6	Saturday – Sunday	11. – 12.01.2020	1 - 2 + 4 - 3	1 - 2

Alternative playing format:

The Member Federations of the teams in each group of the Phase 1 may decide to play their matches in the format of a tournament in one venue. In a specific group, the majority of all Member Federations must agree or disagree (3:1 or 1:3 decision) accordingly and the EHF must be informed of the respective agreement and its particulars within the deadline. If the Member Federations do not find an agreement (in case of 1:3 or 2:2 decision) among them to play the matches in a tournament, the home and away format and the corresponding playing modalities decided by the EHF and communicated are to be implemented.

In case of an agreement among the teams of one group to play the qualification matches in a tournament in one venue the teams have to inform the EHF about their decision latest **by Monday, 26 August 2019.**

The respective organisation right will be drawn as soon as all necessary information is available!

Available playing dates for the tournaments are:

Friday 25 to Sunday 27 October 2019

Friday 3 to Sunday 5 January 2020

Friday 10 to Sunday 12 January 2020.

Tournaments Basic playing schedule 4 teams:

1 st match day	2 – 4	1 - 3
2 nd match day	3 – 2	4 - 1
3 rd match day	3 – 4	1 - 2

Tournaments Basic playing schedule 3 teams:

1 st match day	3 - 1
2 nd match day	2 - 3
3 rd match day	1 - 2

Expenses in case of home and away matches or tournament:

- Local costs of all teams for a maximum of 21 persons per delegation (board and accommodation, local transport, etc.) – **Host Federation**
- Additional costs arising from an enlargement of the delegation (additional players or officials – maximum 4 persons), apart from the costs of local transport - **Participants** (daily rate to be pre-defined between EHF and organising federations 2 months prior the respective match)
- Complete organisation of all travels of the EHF Referees and Delegates – **EHF!**
- Expenses for travel (invoice will follow by EHF), for board, lodging and local transport of the referees and delegates – **Host Federation**
- Daily allowances and match payments for the EHF Referees and EHF Delegates (pre-paid by EHF) – **Host Federation**
- Travel costs “teams” to/from international arrival/departure airport – **Participants** (each team has to pay its own travel costs)

Details relating to the match details:

Regarding the individual matches, it is important for each hosting Federation to proceed immediately with the fixing of the full match details for each match.

The information regarding the playing day(s) and the arrival airport is absolutely essential.

We therefore kindly ask you to take note that the deadline for the information regarding the match and tournaments details are:

- **Monday, 26 August 2019** - for the 1st playing period (home & away matches and in case a tournament during the 1st playing period).
- **Monday, 30 September 2019** - for the 2nd playing period and for the 3rd playing period (home & away matches and in case a tournament during the 2nd or 3rd playing period).

Please remember that it is mainly in the interest of all participating Federations to have fixed the most important details of each match as early as possible and we therefore count on a positive co-operation in this issue by all parties concerned.

Official Squad:

The “Official Squad” with a total number of 28 players, including the assignment of player’s numbers, and up to six team officials (function to be stated) must be submitted in writing to the **Claudia Brantl**: brantl@eurohandball.com nine days prior to the each playing period of the 2021 Men’s World Championship Qualification Europe:

- **Monday, 14 October 2019, until 12:00 hrs.** prior to the 1st playing period
- **Monday, 16 December 2019, until 12:00 hrs.** prior to the 2nd playing period and prior to the 3rd playing period

Please do not forget to submit the correct shirt number of each of the players. During the entire duration of the 2021 Men’s World Championship Qualification Europe, the players must wear the same shirt number, regardless of their position (goalkeeper or court player). The contingent of 28 players is the official/final squad of players of each participating nation. A maximum of 16 players from the official 28 have to be announced at the Technical Meeting (the valid passports or national identity cards of each of the sixteen (16) players must be presented to the EHF Delegate for verification).

TV:

In all matches the rights for TV, radio, film and video are with the home Federation. If a TV-signal is available, the EHF shall have the right to broadcast the match live or delayed on “www.ehfTV.com” and, if required by existing contracts with TV-partners, with a blocked access in the countries of the two participating teams. Furthermore the EHF shall be allowed to use, free of charge, existing television footage for production and broadcasting of a magazine or promotion clips at a later date.

II. Qualification Phase 2 - part 1:

Directly qualified for the Qualification Phase 2 – part 2 (play-off matches) are all participants in the Olympic Games Qualification tournaments from Europe (to be played between 16 and 19 April 2020). The remaining participants of the EHF EURO 2020 play together with the winners of Qualification Europe Phase 1 play-off matches. The play-off matches will be played in a KO-system with first and second leg matches in the National Team Week parallel to the Olympic Games Qualification tournaments as follows:

Qualification Phase 2 – part 1 home and away matches:

Round	Day	Dates
1 st leg	Wednesday – Thursday	15. – 16.04.2020
2 nd leg	Saturday – Sunday	18. – 19.04.2020

The winners of the Qualification Phase 2 - -part 1 matches qualify for the Phase 2 – part 2 matches. The draw of the 2021 Men’s World Championship Qualification Phase 2 – part 1 matches is planned to take place end of January 2020.

III. Qualification Phase 2 – part 2 (play-off matches)

Denmark and up to three best ranked teams from the EHF EURO 2020 in SWE / AUT / NOR qualify directly for the participation in 2021 Men's World Championship in Egypt. The winners of the Phase 2 – part 1 matches play against the European Teams in the Olympic Games Qualification tournaments play-off matches in a KO-system with first and second leg matches as follows:

Qualification Phase 2 – part 2 home and away matches:

Round	Day	Dates
1 st leg	Friday – Sunday	05. – 07.06.2020
2 nd leg	Tuesday – Thursday	09. – 11.06.2020

The winners of the Phase 2 – part 2 matches will qualify for the final tournament of the 2021 Men's World Championship in Egypt.

The draw of the 2021 Men's World Championship Qualification Phase 2 – part 2 matches is planned to take place end of January 2020.

Time-table:

Draw:	➤ Phase 1:		23 July 2019
	➤ Phase 2 – part 1 and part 2:		End of January 2020
Matches:	➤ Phase 1:	Round 1, 2	23 to 27 October 2019
		Round 3, 4	1 to 5 January 2020
		Round 5, 6	8 to 12 January 2020
	➤ Phase 2 – part 1:	Leg 1:	15 to 16 April 2020
		Leg 2:	18 to 19 April 2020
	➤ Phase 2 – part 2:	Leg 1:	5 to 7 June 2020
		Leg 2:	9 to 11 June 2020
Draw for the final round (organised by the IHF):			To be defined by the IHF
Final round in EGY (organised by the IHF):			15 to 31 January 2021

The EHF Business Unit National Team Competitions with Peter Sichelschmidt in the lead will be at your disposal for any questions you may have.

Looking forward to a continuously positive cooperation we remain with best regards.

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