

CZECH OPEN 2024

32nd year of the International Floorball Tournament

Date

August 8th-11th, 2024

The tournament starts on August 8th at 8:00. Late arrivals will not be accepted.

Organizer

TJ TATRAN STŘEŠOVICE z.s.

Men's categories

ELITE

- Selected teams from elite divisions in Czech Republic, Finland, Sweden and Switzerland
- Maximum 8 teams
- Players must be 15 years or older (born in 2009 and older)

PRO

- Selected teams from the elite, 1st and 2nd division in Czech Republic, Finland, Sweden and Switzerland
- Selected teams from the elite divisions in other countries
- Maximum 16 teams
- The start of national teams is not excluded
- Players must be 15 years or older (born in 2009 and older)

U21

- **For the teams with players under 21 years**
- Maximum 16 teams
- Players born between years 2003 and 2009 inclusive

OPEN

- Lower divisions
- Maximum 128 teams
- Players must be 15 years or older (born in 2009 and older)

Women's categories

ELITE

- Selected teams from the elite division in Czech Republic, Finland, Sweden and Switzerland
- Maximum 8 teams
- Players must be 15 years or older (born in 2009 and older)

PRO

- Teams from the elite and 1st, division in Czech Republic, Finland, Sweden and Switzerland and from elite division in other countries.
- Maximum 16 teams
- The start of national teams is not excluded
- Players must be 15 years or older (born in 2009 and older)

OPEN

- Lower divisions
- Maximum 64 teams
- Players must be 15 years or older (born in 2009 and older)

The organizer has the right to cancel a category if there are less teams registered in the category. The organizer keeps the right to reassign the team to another category if it is necessary. The organizer holds the right to decide which teams play in the tournament or which team will be on the waiting list. The JURY of the tournament has the right to give a wild card.

Team list

Every team must complete the on-line team list on the tournament website till the start of the tournament at the latest (8:00 am August 8th). No addition to the list is allowed after the tournament starts. The JURY can approve the additional change of the roster, **in the case of player's injury**. Such a change must be done as replacing a player, not adding a new one. The substitute must fulfil everything necessary for the players participations, including payment of the individual fee. Overaged players will be added by the organizer.

Players participation

- A player may only play for one team in the tournament. This rule doesn't apply to juniors players (born 2006-2009), these players can play for more teams in different categories **in one club**.
- Player's identification may be requested in case of misgivings. The player's passports or other ID must be for disposal for this case. The player's identification can be requested by the opponent but only by the end of the break between the 1st and 2nd

period after handing over the protest fee. In case of an unauthorized start, the JURY will deal with the whole matter, including the amount of the penalty.

- All players in the ELITE categories (both Men and Ladies) category must be registered in a club as specified by IFF rules. Any player not following this rule will be penalized by awarding the game to the opposing team by default for illegal entry in the tournament.
- In OPEN MALE category is allowed to play max. 3 female players in case they are added to the team list of teams and aren't participating in the tournament in another team in women category.

Over-aged players

- **Players from the U21 category** (born in the year 2003 - 2009) can play at the same time without restriction within the same club in the ELITA M or male PRO category if the tournament schedule allows it. However, these players must be marked in advance on both lists.
- Upon request, **a maximum of 3 older players belonging to the male category** (born in 2009 and older) can be listed on the U21 team roster, and all these players can play in the match at the same time. If the club has registered teams in the men's categories (ELITA, PRO, OPEN), these players can also play for these teams. However, these players must be marked in advance on both team lists.
- **All requests for age exemptions must be reported no later than July 7th via Club Zone, later requests will not be accepted!!! The organizer has 10 days to confirm the application and then the organizer adds the player with age exception to the team list – not team leader!**
- The exception must be approved by the Tournament JURY
- An exception are also players with status „national player“, who may additionally play for the juniors' national team of his or her country (if match schedule for that category allows it). The exception doesn't apply to eliminative stages of the tournament (i.e. play-off games, played until one side wins), then player may play only for the team on whose roster he or she entered the tournament. An exception for players must be requested **by June 30th** via Club Zone. After approval of the tournament jury the player will be added to the roster directly by the organizer.

Tournament jury

Kristýna Matoušová, Jan Jirovský, Vojtěch Pulda

Referees

Referees are licensed by Czech Floorball or other partnership floorball federation.

Protest

A potential protest must be delivered to the JURY in a written form and handed over to the hall supervisor 15 minutes after the match at latest, including the protest fee. Protest fee: €40.

In case of refusing the protest, the fee is not refunded. The verdict of the JURY is final and cannot be questioned.

Insurance

Every player is taking part in the tournament at his or her own risk. **The participants are not insured by the organizer.**

Registration

Clubs may register only via the on-line form published on www.czechopen.cz before **May 30th**. Completing this registration means the club agrees with Conditions of participation in the CZECH OPEN 2024 and TERMS OF GDPR.

Registration of teams from Sweden

OLKA Sportresort, local representative, will handle all bookings, including registration for tournament and all accommodation for participating teams from Sweden. All contact and communication will go through OLKA Sportresort (info@olka.se; tel: +46 31 137 400).

Registration fee

- EUR 280 per team in OPEN Category
- EUR 325 per team in Women PRO Category
- EUR 370 per team for categories Men PRO, U21 and Women ELITE
- EUR 500 per team for category Men ELITE
- **Must be at the account TJ Tatran Střešovice no later than May 30th**
- The bank charges are to be covered by the transferring team.
- The organizer has the right to exclude the team from the tournament if the registration fee is not paid by the due date.
- **In the case a team cancels their registration to the tournament after June 30th the registration fee will not be refunded.**
- All instructions for payment (as well as proforma invoices) will be published in the Club zone on www.czechopen.cz

Registration fee payment:

Tatran Střešovice

Account Nr. 51-2685890227/0100

IBAN: CZ29 0100 0001 1569 2939 0287

SWIFT: KOMBCZPPXXX

Bank address: Komerční banka, Na Příkopě 33, Praha 1

Registration confirmation

The team's registration and all important information will be confirmed not later than on **June 20th**.

Individual fee

Any team that does not accept any of the lodging alternatives offered by the organizer is obligated to pay the individual fee, 45 EUR per person for each member of the team. Everybody who paid individual fee gets ID wristband. The fee includes the Activity Card and also the costs for international promotion of the tournament and higher service costs for foreign teams.

Individual fees must be transferred by July 10th. The instructions for payment (as well as proforma invoice) you find in the Club zone on www.czechopen.cz. **The payment of the individual fee is obligatory for the participants!**

The activity card (ID wristband) includes:

- Entrance to the sport halls
- Public transport ticket valid in buses, trams, metro during tournament
- Entrance to the Final day programme
- „Boost Up“ program contribution
- Free entrance to the pool Petynka
- Free entrance to the tournament parties
- Other activities will be published during preparing the tournament.

Accommodation and board

The lodging is provided by Excalibur tours Praha spol. s.r.o. from August 7th till August 11th, and can be extended both before and after these days (the teams are welcome to arrive earlier for a training camp). All lodgings are within an easy reach from the city centre and the sport arenas.

The accommodation is arranged in the following categories:

Youth hostel

lodging is provided in multi-bedded rooms with common facilities. Bedding provided.

Hotel B

Simple tourist class hotels, lodging is basically provided in multi-bedded rooms with private facilities.

Hotel A

Good tourist class hotels, lodging is provided in triple, double or single rooms with private facilities.

Hotel A+

First class hotels, lodging is provided in triple, double or single rooms with private facilities.

Hotel AA

Four stars hotel in the Prague Centre.

Higher hotel categories - upon request.

The prices will be sent to you at your request – info@tcse.cz. All lodging prices include Activity Card and breakfast. Bus transfers are not included. **The deadline for reservations is June 30th.**
For accommodation and board prices, please contact us or the local representatives.

Write exact number of people for accommodation and board! Please, specify the final details of the numbers no later than July 10th. If the number of actual team members is lower than a reservation of more than 1 person, the price will be charged according to the reservation. A breakage deposit is EUR 20-30 per person in every type of hostel or hotel.

The accommodation fee is to be transferred by July 10th on the account of Excalibur tours Praha:

Excalibur tours Praha spol. s.r.o.
IBAN: CZ16 0300 0000 0004 7837 5573
SWIFT CODE: CEKOCZPP
Bank: Československá obchodní banka
Address: Na Příkopě 18, 115 20 Praha 1, Czech Republic
Variable symbol: ID of the team

The instructions for payment (as well as proforma invoice) you find in the Club zone on www.czechopen.cz.

Bus transfers

Bus transfers from or to the airport/railway station or to the venues may be booked separately on the web page in the Club zone. It is also possible to book mini-buses or cars for smaller groups. The exact conditions and prices are listed on the web.

Penalty

The penalty of EUR 400 will be charged if a team cancels their registration later than July 10th.

Training hours and friendly matches

- It is necessary to book it in the Club zone on www.czechopen.cz till July 10th.
- 1 training/friendly match = 60 minutes in tournament arenas – rinks and goals included
- EUR 110 per training or friendly match – paid by ordering team.
- Friendly match with a referee EUR 130
- **The organizer has the right to reschedule the requested time of a training or a friendly match.**

TOURNAMENT RULES

The tournament is played according to the valid IFF Rules. The organizer keeps the right to edit the rules in cooperation with the Czech Floorball – testing the innovation.

System

- Groups of 4 or 5 – Round Robin series
- All play off matches will be decided by the cup system
- The organizer **guarantees minimum 4 games** to each team
- **The organizer keeps the right to change the system if there are less teams registered**
- The system of ELITE categories could be different

Field size

Standard field size.

Playing time

MEN ELITE

- **3x15** min in groups and in quarterfinal. The playing time will be measured effectively, break is 5 min.
- **3x20** min in the semifinal (A and B), the final and all placement matches. The playing time will be measured effectively, break is 10 min.
- Time-out is allowed during whole tournament.

WOMEN ELITE

- **2x20** min in groups and eliminating games except final - The playing time will be measured effectively. Break is 5 min.
- **3X15** min the final game - The playing time will be measured effectively – break 5 min.
- Time-out is allowed from the eliminating matches starting from the quarterfinal.

MEN PRO

- **2x20** min in groups and eliminating games except final - The playing time will be measured effectively. Break is 5 min.

- **3X15** min the final game - The playing time will be measured effectively – break 5 min.
- Time-out is allowed from the eliminating matches starting from the quarterfinal.

WOMEN PRO

- **2x20** min in groups and eliminating games also in the final game - The playing time will be measured effectively.
- Break is 5 min.
- Time-out is allowed from the eliminating matches starting from the quarterfinal.

MEN U21

- **2x20** min in groups and eliminating games also in the final game - The playing time will be measured effectively.
- Break is 5 min.
- Time-out is allowed from the eliminating matches starting from the quarterfinal.

MEN, WOMEN OPEN

- **2x15** min - The playing time will not be measured effectively, a break is 2 min.
- Time-out is allowed from the eliminating matches starting from the quarterfinal.
- **2x20** min quarterfinal, semifinal, a break is 5 min – The playing time will not be measured effectively, only last 3 minutes.
- The final game will be played **2x20** min and the time will be measured effectively.
- Time-out is allowed from the quarterfinals.

Qualification key

Victory in group games gives 3 points, draw 1 point and lost game 0 points. If two/more teams reach the same number of points after the group matches their final order will be determined by:

1. The number of points reached **in mutual direct matches**.
2. The score difference reached **in mutual direct matches**.
3. The total amount of scored goals **in mutual direct matches**.
4. The total score differences.
5. The total amount of scored goals.
6. draw

A draw in the eliminating matches is followed by:

1. 3 penalty shots
2. Penalty sudden death

A draw in all matches in Men ELITE category is followed by:

- In groups and quarterfinals:
 1. 3 penalty shots
 2. Penalty sudden death
- From semifinal:
 1. 5 penalty shots
 2. Penalty sudden death

Match protocol

The match protocol must be filled in via tournament website in advance. We are using the paperless system. The further instructions will be find on our websites https://s3.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/assets.designeo.cz/co-prod/cms/na-vod-za-pis-o-utka-ni-pdf_20230721093311.pdf

Walk over

The maximum waiting time is 5 minutes, after that the default result will be 0:5. Any team missing two matches due to the walk over will be excluded from the tournament and all played matches annulled.

Match penalty

- Match penalty 1 leads automatically to suspension till the end of the respective match
- Match penalty 2 leads to suspension in the respective and the following match and after the Jury's decision can even lead to the player's suspension till the end of the tournament.

Jersey colours

In case referees decide that one team should change shirts due to the similarity of the opponent's colours, the team listed as away team in the official match schedule is obliged to do it.

Warm up

It will not be possible to warm up on the floorball ground. Warm up before every match will have to take place next to the ground or outside the hall. (That does not apply for the Men Elite category)

Dressing rooms

The number of dressing rooms in all halls is limited, therefore it must be used by "walking through" system. After changing before the match please take all the teams belongings and bags with you. **The organizers are not responsible for any loss of personal belongings during the tournament.**

Match schedule

The organizers have the right to change the published match schedule. If this happens, a notice will be given to each team leader affected by the change. The team leaders are supposed to keep the actual contact (e-mail and phone number) during the tournament updated in their own interest. The estimated time of the ELITE M final is 4 PM.

Awards

The best teams in each category will be awarded with a cup and medals (max. 20 per team). Also, awards will be given for the best players of the tournament in each category.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- **May 30th** - deadline for registration and registration fee payments
- **June 20th** - the final registration confirmation and lodging specification is sent out by the organizer
- **July 10th** – deadline for overaged exceptions
- **July 10th** - the accommodation and the individual fee to be transferred, the deadline for booking trainings and friendly matches. Groups draw at our web site www.czechopen.cz
- **July 15th** - publishing the final game schedule at our website www.czechopen.cz
- **August 7th** - official arrival day, final team registration, trainings, and friendly matches
- **August 8th** - the 1st tournament day – group matches (start at 8:00 AM)
- **August 9th** - the 2nd tournament day
- **August 10th** - the 3rd tournament day, tournament party
- **August 11th** - the final tournament day – final matches (final **men ELITE approx. 4 pm**), Prizegiving Ceremony

Local representatives

For easier communication in your native language and help with the travel arrangements you may contact our representatives in your country:

Sweden

OLKA Sportresort

info@olka.se

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