



OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION

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To : European Clubs
European Federations
c/c : WS Europe - President - Mr Fernando Claro
From : WS Europe Rink-Hockey - Chairman

Object : **DRAW (EUROLEAGUE | WS EUROPE Cup | FEMALE LEAGUE Cup)**

1. **CORRIGENDUM**

Due to a typo, the date for the EUROLEAGUE Final Four, as reported in Official Communication n. 29 point 1.3.2., is changed to the following **15/16** May 2021.

2. **DRAW**

The WSE-RH Committee announces that the new draw for the European Club Competitions 2020-21, EUROLEAGUE, WS EUROPE Cup, FEMALE LEAGUE Cup, will be held on **Saturday, February 27, 2021, at 17.00 (Time PT & UK) at 18:00 (Central Europe Time)**, at the headquarters of the Portuguese Skating Federation in Lisbon (Portugal).

The draw will be broadcast on:

<http://europe.worldskate.tv/>

3. **COVID-19 PROVISIONS**

The Committee has ordered the integration of the specific Guidelines to make possible the organization and dispute of continental competitions, in times of Covid-19 emergency, to complete the previous ones, ensuring the resumption of competitions.

Any official WSE-RH competition will continue to follow all the latest health measures and protocols recommended and applied by the respective National and Local Authorities.

The guidelines are temporary, closely linked to the Covid-19 emergency may be subject to updates to comply with higher standards.

4. **CANCELLATION OF REGULATIONS IN FORCE**

The European Committee, considering the situation related to Covid-19, by derogation, for the 2020-21 season, cancels the current Regulation with respect to the formula of conduct of all European competitions for Club, EUROLEAGUE, WS Europe Cup, Female League Cup, as reported in Official Communication n. 12/2020 and Official Communication n. 18/2020.

These are the new formulas.

4.1 **EUROLEAGUE** -----

New Formula

9 teams registered

First phase - Qualifying phase

Second phase -Final Four

First phase: Group qualification phase and teams are divided into 3 distinct groups (A-B-C), each consisting of 3 teams (all against all) with one-way matches.

Definition of the “heads of series”, one per qualifying group, in accordance with the provisions of Official Communication no. 18/2020 in point 3.1.2.

Second phase: Final Four

The first ranked teams of each group of the first phase and the best second team ranked among the three qualifying groups qualify to next phase.



The four qualified teams play a 4-way final, divided into:

- Semi-finals** - 2 games, based on the pairings where the winning teams enter the Final
- Final** - Match in which the winner will be European Champion.



4.2 **WS EUROPE Cup** -----

New formula: Final SEVEN

7 teams registered

Llista Blava -Last WS Europe Cup winner played on 2018-19 that enters the Semi-Final directly.

A top team - **CE Lleida**

The other 6 (six) teams will play in the quarter finals, with one-way matches.

Quarter-finals - 3 games, the winners and CE Lleida Llista Blava are qualified to Semi-finals

The four qualified teams play:

- Semi-finals** - 2 games, based on the pairings where the winning teams enter the Final.
- Final** - Match in which you will have the winner of the WS Europe Cup 2020-21.



4.3 **FEMALE LEAGUE Cup** -----

New Formula : Final Eight

8 teams registered

The 8 teams will play in the quarter-finals stage, with one-way matches.

Quarter-finals - 4 games, the four winner will be qualified to Semi-finals.
The four qualified teams play:

Semi-finals - 2 games, based on the pairings where the winning teams enter the Final

Final - Match in which you will have the winner of the Female League Cup 2020-21

5. **MODEL OF COMPETITION**

5.1 **EUROLEAGUE** -----



5.1.1 **FORMULA**

9 clubs participate in this competition, which consists of 2 distinct phases:

First phase: Group qualification phase

The teams are divided into 3 distinct groups (A-B-C), each consisting of 3 teams (all against all) with one-way matches. This first phase will be played in three days.

Second phase: Final Four

The first ranked teams of each group of the first phase and the best second team ranked among the three qualifying groups qualify.

The four qualified teams play, in one weekend, a Final Four, divided into:

- Semi-final** - 2 games, based on the pairings where the winning teams enter the Final
- Final** - Match in which the winner will be European Champion

5.1.2 DEFINITION OF THE “HEADS OF SÉRIE” OF EACH GROUP OF THE 1ST.PHASE

The “*Heads of serie*” of the first phase, one per qualifying group, are established in accordance with the provisions of the Official Communiqué no. 18/2020 in point 3.1.2.

1. **Sporting C P** - EUROLEAGUE Champion 2018/19
2. **FC Porto** - National Champion 2018/19, in European Federation title with best rankings
3. **Barça** - National Champion 2019/20, in European Federation title with the second-best rankings

5.1.3 RULES OF THE DRAW

Three draws must be made:

- One to define the group of each heads of serie
- One for Portuguese teams
- One for Spanish teams

Draw in which there must be no more than two teams from the same country for each group

The draw will be integer

| EUROLEAGUE | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| FEDERATION | Club 1 | Club 2 | Club 3 | Club 4 | Club 5 |
| Portugal | FC PORTO | UD OLIVEIRENSE | SPORTING CP | SL BENFICA | OC BARCELOS HP SAD |
| Spain | BARÇA | HC DEPORTIVO LICEO | CE NOIA FREIXENET | REUS DEPORTIU | |
| IMPORTANT NOTES | | | | | |
| Total number of inscriptions: 9 clubs | | | | | |
| 4 HEADS OF GROUPS | | | | | |
| | SPORTING CP Last Euroleague Winner | FC PORTO Portugal Champion 2018/19 | BARÇA Spain Champion 2019/20 | | |
| | GROUP PHASE | TEAM 1 Head of Group | TEAM 2 | TEAM 3 | |
| | Group A | 1A | 2A | 3A | |
| | Group B | 1B | 2B | 3B | |
| | Group C | 1C | 2C | 3C | |
| Nr | Group "A" | | | | |
| 1 | 1A | 2A | 09/04/2021 | | |
| 4 | 2A | 3A | 10/04/2021 | | |
| 7 | 3A | 1A | 11/04/2021 | | |
| Nr | Group "B" | | | | |
| 2 | 1B | 2B | 09/04/2021 | | |
| 5 | 2B | 3B | 10/04/2021 | | |
| 8 | 3B | 1B | 11/04/2021 | | |
| Nr | Group "C" | | | | |
| 3 | 1C | 2C | 09/04/2021 | | |
| 6 | 2C | 3C | 10/04/2021 | | |
| 9 | 3C | 1C | 11/04/2021 | | |
| Nr | Final 4 Day 1 - 15/05/2021 | | | | |
| 10 | | | | | |
| 11 | | | | | |
| Nr | Final Day 2 - 16/05/2021 | | | | |
| 12 | Winner match 10 | Winner match 11 | FINAL 4 | | |

5.1.4 EQUALS

In case of parity in the standing to define the first team of each group and the best second ranked team, article 33 of the Official Rules -World Skate Game Rule of 23/09/2020 in force will be applied.

Specifically:

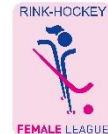
- a) **EQUAL SITUATION IN THE STANDINGS BETWEEN TWO TEAMS FROM THE SAME GROUP**
- b) **EQUAL SITUATION IN THE STANDINGS BETWEEN THREE TEAMS FROM THE SAME GROUP**
 In the event of further equality, point 5 of Rule 33 of the WS Regulation shall apply where the WSE-RH Committee decides on the criterion that is to evaluate in order, the team that has achieved in all the matches played, the fewest of:

- or TEAM FOULS
- or BLUE CARD
- or RED CARD

c) **DETERMINE THE BEST SECOND RANKED TEAM**

It is a transversal classification which is obtained by applying the following criterion:

- POINTS
- GENERAL GOAL DIFFERENCE
- GENERAL GOAL RATIO
- TEAM FOULS
- BLUE CARD
- RED CARD
- EUROLEAGUE RANKING 2018-19



6. **FEMALE LEAGUE Cup** -----

6.1 **Formula**

8 Clubs participate in the competition which consists of 2 distinct phases on the same weekend.

First phase : quarter finals 8 teams. Qualification with one-way match.
Second phase : **Final Four** - 4 winning teams from the first phase, in the second phase they play a Final 4, divided into:

Semi-final : 2 games, where the winning teams enter the Final
Final : 1 match whose winner will be Female League Cup Winner

The draw will be integer.

| FEMALE LEAGUE Cup - Registered Clubs | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| FEDERATION | Club 1 | Club 2 | Club 3 | Club 4 | Club 5 |
| Portugal | SL BENFICA | AS HC STUART MASSAMÁ | CACO | | |
| Spain | CP MANLLEU | GENERALI HC PALAU PLEGAMANS | CERDANYOLA CH | CP VOLTREGÀ | TELECABLE HOCKEY CLUB |
| IMPORTANT NOTES | | | | | |
| Total number of inscriptions: 8 clubs | | | | | |
| Nr | Final 8 Day 1 - 27/05/2021 | | 1/4 Finals | | |
| 13 | | | | | |
| 14 | | | | | |
| 15 | | | | | |
| Nr | Final 8 Day 2 - 28/05/2021 | | 1/2 Finals | | |
| 17 | Winner match | Winner match | | | |
| 18 | Winner match | Winner match | | | |
| Nr | Final 8 Day 3 - 29/05/2021 | | FINAL | | |
| 19 | Winner match 17 | Winner match 18 | | | |



7. **WS EUROPE Cup** -----

7.1 **Formula**

7 Clubs participate in this competition which consists of 2 stages on the same weekend.

First phase : **Quarter-finals** - 6 teams that are not seeded. Qualification with one first leg matches
Second phase : **Final Four** - 3 winning teams from the first phase, and the team already qualified, play a Final 4 - divided into:

Semi-finals: 2 games, where winning teams advance to the Final
Final: 1 match whose winner will be WS Europe Cup champion.

DEFINITION OF THE “HEADS OF SÉRIE”

A top team - **CE Lleida Llista Blava** - Last WS Europe Cup winner played 2018-19 that enters the Semi-Final directly.

7.2 RULES OF THE DRAW

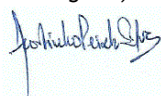
The first stage of the quarter-finals will take place among all the participating teams, not identified as seed, with one-way matches.

In the second phase, the winners of the 3 matches of the first phase (quarter-final phase) plus the top seed will qualify.

The draw will be complete and integer.

| WS EUROPE Cup | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| FEDERATION | Club 1 | Club 2 | Club 3 | Club 4 | Club 5 |
| Italy | ASD HOCKEY SARZANA | | | | |
| Portugal | RIBA D'AVE HC | | | | |
| Spain | GIRONA CH | CH CALDES RECAM LÁSER | IGUALADA HC | CP CALAFELL TOT L'ANY | CE LLEIDA LLISTA BLAVA |
| IMPORTANT NOTES | | | | | |
| Total number of inscriptions: 7 clubs | | | | | |
| 1 Head of Serie to Semi-Finals - the others 7 to the 1/4 Finals | | | | | |
| Nr | Final 8 Day 1 - 30/04/2021 | | 1/4 Finals | | |
| 20 | | | | | |
| 21 | | | | | |
| 22 | | | | | |
| Nr | Final 8 Day 2 - 01/05/2021 | | 1/2 Finals | | |
| 23 | Winner match | Winner match | | | |
| 24 | Winner match | Winner match | | | |
| Nr | Final 8 Day 3 - 02/05/2021 | | FINAL | | |
| 25 | Winner match 23 | Winner match 24 | | | |

Best regards,



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