

**International Youth
Floorball Tournament
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Floorball Regulations

The games are generally played according to the official rules of the International Floorball Federation (IFF). The following special regulations apply specifically to the United World Games.

Most Important Rule – FAIR PLAY

All participants are expected to act respectfully and politely toward everyone involved, in the spirit of fair play. This applies not only to referees but also to other officials, opponents, teammates, and spectators.

1. Age Groups & Playing Time

Boys*:

| Category | Cutoff Date | Playing Time | Minimum number of players |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| U 17 (large rink) | Born 01.01.2009 or younger | 2 x 15 minutes running time | 6 players (5+1) |
| U 15 (small rink) | Born 01.01.2011 or younger | 2 x 15 minutes running time | 4 players (3+1) |
| U 13 (small rink) | Born 01.01.2013 or younger | 2 x 15 minutes running time | 4 players (3+1) |

*Girls allowed in teams as well.

Game Time Regulations:

The game clock is stopped for penalties, goals, or at the referee's discretion. In all other situations, the clock continues to run. In the last two minutes of the second half, the clock is stopped for every interruption in play – including whistles, out-of-bounds, and goals. The halftime break is 3 minutes.

Balls:

Each team is responsible for bringing their own warm-up balls. The United World Games will only provide the official match balls.

Exemptions:

Due to the varying cut-off dates of national floorball federations, the tournament regulations allow each team to include up to **two players** in their roster who exceed the age limit for their category **by up to six months**. In all male categories, it is additionally permitted for girls to participate who **exceed the age limit by up to one year**. These players must be registered in advance with the organizing committee and must be marked accordingly on the team roster as having an official exemption.

2. Squad List & ID Checks

Each participating team must submit its **squad-list** online via the UWG account at <https://my.unitedworldgames.com/> **by May 31st, 2026**, which then will be approved. A team can only complete check-in and receive its relevant documents after the squad list has been successfully reviewed and approved. If the squad list is not completed, an additional processing fee will be charged.

Coaches are required to carry the **UWG-approved squad list** and **player ID cards/passports** for all games. It is highly recommended to have a printed version of the squad list on hand to avoid any issues due to potential internet problems at the venues and to ensure access at all times.

During the tournament, coaches have the right to request a pre-game ID check of the opposing team and verify players. If this check is not requested before the match starts, the right to do so expires.

In addition, a maximum of two players from the opposing team may be checked during the time of the match. Player verification is carried out by the referees in coordination with the venue supervisors.

If a team:

1. uses players who do not meet the age requirements,
2. uses players who are not listed on the official squad list, or
3. uses a squad list that has not been approved by UWG,

the current match will be automatically recorded as a defeat for the respective team.

In the case of a repeated violation of the squad list regulations, the team will be disqualified from the tournament.

It is generally allowed for a player to participate in two different teams, as long as they are not competing in the same competition category. In such cases, the player must be listed on both squad list. (Example: A player competing in the U13 category may also be listed on a U15 team and play for both, as long as the match schedule allows it).

If a club enters multiple teams in the same category, players may not be moved between teams. Each player may only appear on the squad list of one team per competition.

3. Arrival at the sports venue

All teams must arrive at their designated venue **no later than 15 minutes before** the start of the match and must check in with the **venue supervisor**.

If a team arrives, for example, only 10 minutes before the match or fails to check in properly, the game will be officially forfeited. However, the referee, together with the coaches of both teams, may decide whether the game will actually be forfeited or played as scheduled. If the team that arrived on time insists on the forfeit, it will be enforced accordingly.

The changing rooms will only be available approximately 10 minutes before the match, as they are reserved for the teams currently playing. Please note that changing rooms are shared with other teams. Teams are kindly asked to vacate the changing rooms promptly after the match to ensure a smooth transition for the following teams.

4. Squad Size & Substitution of Players

The maximum team size is 20 players. Substitutions are allowed without restrictions and take place using the so-called "rolling substitution" system. The entering player may only step onto the field after the player being substituted has fully left the field.

5. Tournament Mode, Points & Advancement Rules

The tournament begins with a group stage in a round-robin format (each team plays against every other team). This is followed by the knockout phase (playoffs).

The Points are awarded as follows:

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| Wien | 2 Points |
| Draw | 1 Points |
| Loss | 0 Points |

After the preliminary round, a table reflects the order of the teams. These are the criteria for determining the ranking in the group stage:

1. Number of points (Win: 2 points, Draw: 1 point, Loss: 0 points)
2. Lower number of forfeited games due to disqualification
3. Better score difference (Goals for – Goals against)
4. Higher number of scored goals (Goals for)
5. If two or more teams are equal in all of the above criteria, only the matches between these teams will be considered to determine their ranking (criteria 1–4 apply in the same order)
6. If no decision can be made after applying all of the above criteria, the ranking will be determined by lot (automated random draw by computer)

If a comparison of the best second-, third-, fourth- or fifth-placed teams (etc.) across different groups is required, the following criteria apply:

1. Number of points / Number of games played
2. Number of forfeited games due to disqualification (DSQ) / Number of games played
3. Score difference / Number of games played
4. Number of scored goals (Goals for) / Number of games played
5. If no decision can be made after applying all of the above criteria, the ranking will be determined by lot (automated random draw by computer)

6. Walk over

A team that fails to present itself on the court without any reported valid reason is automatically disqualified with 0:7 (w.o.).

All further actions and decisions are the responsibility of the Tournament Director or Venue Supervisor (in consultation with the referee).

7. Insurance & Disclaimer

All of the participants are not insured by the organizer for the entire duration of their stay at the United World Games. It is the responsibility of the team officials and participating teams to ensure that all participants have adequate insurance coverage. The organizer assumes no liability for illnesses, lost or stolen valuables, or any injuries.

The tournament officials are only authorized to arrange medical transport in case of an injury. This will generally only be done upon explicit request or instruction by a staff member. Medical transport will be arranged without such a request only in emergencies. If a participant is uninsured or if their home country has no agreement for medical care with Austria, the costs for treatment must be covered by the participant themselves.

Each participant confirms that they have trained sufficiently and that their participation poses no medical concerns.

Important notice: It is strongly advised not to leave valuables or sports equipment unattended!

8. Injury Management & First Aid

Teams and participants are generally advised to bring their own cool packs and first aid supplies.

Additionally, participants have the option to purchase single-use cool packs for 4 euros/each or rent reusable gel cool packs for a fee of 5 euros/each at the stadium check-in.

In case of acute emergencies, the emergency services must be contacted immediately at the emergency number 144.

9. Disciplinary Remark

In the case of serious offenses, such as excessively rough fouls, the player in question will be automatically suspended for the next match. Depending on the severity of the incident, the tournament organizers reserve the right to impose further suspensions. If a red card is issued due to a confrontation or insult directed at referees, the player will be suspended for the remainder of the tournament.

Furthermore, the tournament organizers reserve the right to exclude entire teams from the tournament in cases of disrespectful behavior towards referees, opponents, or tournament officials, or in the event of any other inappropriate conduct.

10. Final Remark

The organizers of the United World Games are at the understanding that each participant and team leader knows all the items as mentioned in these regulations.

IMPORTANT: In emergencies the emergency number 144 must be called. Please also note that if an injured athlete has to be transported to the hospital with an ambulance, a coach, manager or parent/guardian of the affected team must always accompany them.