

Meiningen, 14th July 2023

16th USPE European Police Championship Handball Men

17th – 24th September in Balatonfüred/Hungary

Invitation to Enter

Hungarian Police Sport Federation was entrusted by the Union Sportive des Polices d'Europe (USPE) with the organisation of the 16th USPE European Police Championship (EPC) Handball Men from 17th to 24th September 2023 in Balatonfüred/Hungary.

The following regulations are issued for the 16th USPE EPC Handball Men 2023.

They have been adopted on the basis of the Statutes, Rules and Regulations, Competition Rules and Anti-Doping-Regulations of the USPE.

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1. General organiser

Union Sportive des Polices d'Europe (USPE)

2. Organiser

Hungarian Police Sport Federation

- President: Dr. Péter Varga
- Head of Organisation: Dr. Péter Varga
- Contact: hun.police.sport@gmail.com

3. Date

- Arrival: 17th September 2023
- Departure: 24th September 2023

4. Venue

The competition takes place at

- Venue: Balaton Leisure and Conference Center

5. Accommodation/Travelling

All participants, delegates and guests will be accommodated in:

- Hotel: Danubius Hotel Marina
- Web: <https://www.danubiushotels.com/en/our-hotels-balatonfured/hotel-marina>

The meals for the teams will start with dinner on 17th September 2023 and end with breakfast on 24th September 2023. The schedule will be specified in the information "Welcome" upon arrival.

6. Travel Information / Visa procedure

6.1 Travel information

The organiser will provide transport from Budapest Liszt Ferenc Airport and from the main Railway Stations of Budapest according to the travelling details of the delegations. Teams arriving by their own car/bus are requested to go directly to the hotel.

6.2 Shuttle service

The venue is approximately five minutes walking from the hotel. Shuttle service will not be provided.

6.3 Visa procedure

Delegations which need a VISA are requested to contact the host in time.

7. Safety Requirements

The organiser will ensure that all safety requirements are met according to the rules of the respective sports discipline. The organiser will ensure that a medical first aid will be present at the Final Round. The organiser is responsible for a safety and security analysis of the risks during this EPC to determine the necessary precautions and measures.

8. Insurance

Everyone involved in the USPE EPC Handball Men 2023 is responsible for his/her own insurance cover. The participating member countries are responsible for and undertake to conclude all necessary and adequate insurance cover (e.g. accident and health insurance) for their whole delegation members at their own expense for the whole duration of this EPC. Claims for damages against the USPE are expressly excluded.

9. Competition rules

The provisions of the USPE Competition Rules, paragraph 4.3 shall apply.

https://www.uspe.org/statuten/2023_01_01_USPE_Competitions_Rules_ENG.pdf

10. Event

10.1 Draw and mode of the Final Round

The following eight USPE member countries announced their participation:

- Austria
- Denmark
- France
- Germany
- Hungary
- Monaco
- Norway
- Switzerland

The Final Round will be played in a group stage considered of two groups of four teams each playing against each other in their group. After the group stage, the first two teams of each group will play crossover in the Semi-Finals for the Bronze Final and Final. The two teams placed 3rd will play for 5th place. The two teams placed 4th will play for 7th place.

Hungary as the host is seeded as A1. Germany as the winner of the last USPE EPC Handball Men is seeded as B1 for the Final Round.

The draw for the Final Round took place on 14th July 2023 at the Headquarter of the European Handball Federation (EHF) in Vienna/Austria with the following result:

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GROUP A		GROUP B	
1	- Hungary	1	- Germany
2	- Denmark	2	- Monaco
3	- Switzerland	3	- Austria
4	- France	4	- Norway

10.2 Competition area

The Matches for the Final Round will be played at:

Balaton Leisure and Conference Centre

10.3 Participants

Each team may enter up to 16 players and four attendants for the Final Round.

All players may take part in every match of his team.

The list of the players is closed during the Technical Meeting. No changes will be allowed afterwards.

10.4 Sport equipment

Official ball for the Final Round: "MOLTEN"

The organiser will have ten balls during the matches as well ten balls for training. If a team needs more balls, they must bring them by their own.

All teams shall wear uniform sportswear displaying the emblems of their individual member union.

The shirts of the players must have numbers according to the international rules. Every player has to play with the same number in all matches in the Final Round of this EPC.

For the Final Round each team will have to envisage two sets of shirts of various colours. During the control, the team leader of delegations will have to indicate their set A and B of the shirts.

In the event of similar colours at the time of a match, the team named second must change their shirt.

The teams will be provided with glue "SELECT" by the organiser. No other glue is allowed to be used during the matches and the training.

10.5 Official Training

The official training will be arranged on 17th September 2023.

10.6 Decorations and Honours

The winner of the Final Round of an EPC is "European Police Champion".

Medals:

Teams taking first, second and third places are awarded with prize medals.

Other prizes

The organiser will honour:

- best goalkeeper
- best goal scorer
- most valuable player
- fair play

11. Referees

The provisions of the USPE Competition Rules, paragraph 2.4, shall apply.

The organiser is in charge of ensuring a sufficient number of referees. He is supported in this by the EHF.

The minimum standard for referees is the highest national level.

Exceptions must be approved by the responsible member of the USPE Technical Commission in charge for the respective sport and the USPE Secretary General.

12. Provisional Timetable

Sunday, 17th September 2023

During the day	Arrival, Control, Accreditation, Training (Depends on the arrival of the teams)
18:00	Dinner
20:00	Opening Ceremony
22:00	Technical Meeting

Monday, 18th September 2023

10:00 – 20:00	Group Matches Day 1
10:00 – 11:30	A1 – A2
12:45 – 14:15	B1 – B2
15:30 – 17:00	A3 – A4
18:15 – 19:45	B3 – B4



Tuesday, 19th September 2023

10:00 – 20:00	Group Matches Day 2
10:00 – 11:30	B2 – B4
12:45 – 14:15	A2 – A4
15:30 – 17:00	B1 – B3
18:15 – 19:45	A1 – A3

Wednesday, 20th September 2023

10:00 – 20:00	Group Matches Day 3
10:00 – 11:30	A2 – A3
12:45 – 14:15	B2 – B3
15:30 – 17:00	A1 – A4
18:15 – 19:45	B1 – B4
20:00	Delegates Program

Thursday, 21st September 2023

Rest day

The organiser will provide a VIP program and program for each team (the program will be specified later). Opportunity to use the hotel facilities for regeneration.

Friday, 22nd September 2023

10:00	Semi-Final 1	1 st Group B – 2 nd Group A
12:45	Semi-Final 2	1 st Group A – 2 nd Group B
15:30	Match for 7 th place	4 th Group A – 4 th Group B
18:15	Match for 5 th place	3 rd Group A – 3 rd Group B

Saturday, 23rd September 2023

11:00	Bronze Final	Looser SF1 – Looser SF2
15:00	Final	Winner SF1 – Winner SF2
After Final	Award Ceremony and Closing Ceremony	
20:00	Gala Dinner	

Sunday, 24th September 2023

Departure

Changes may occur - the exact program will be announced in time. The final timetable including the schedule for lunch and dinner will be provided to the delegations upon accreditation.

13. Jury of Appeal

The provisions of the USPE Rules and Regulations, Article R 19, shall apply.

The Jury of Appeal is installed at each European Police Championship. It is responsible for all appeals concerning the organisation and the regular course of events of the championship in question.

It is comprised of:

1. USPE Secretary General Andreas Röhner or his appointed deputy as chairperson,
2. Mr. Rigas Oustampasidis, the responsible USPE Technical Delegate,
3. Hungarian Police Sport Federation President Dr. Péter Varga,
4. Mr. Istvan Rupp from the Hungarian Handball Association.

In the case where the Jury of Appeal cannot reach consensus, the vote of the chairperson shall be final.

All appeals have to be made in writing by the delegate or one of the attendants of the member union in question within one hour of the posting or publication of the results unless the respective international sport rules specify different.

The delegate or one of the attendants of the member union has to enclose an appeal fee with the appeal in order for the appeal to be valid. The deposited sum will be refunded to its owner if the appeal proves to be justified. If the appeal is rejected the sum deposited shall be retained by the USPE. The appeal fee will be a total of 100,00 €, paid in cash.

14. Eligibility to start

The provisions of the Statutes, the Rules and Regulations, the Competition Rules as well as the Anti-Doping Regulations of the USPE shall apply. They have to satisfy the provisions set out in Article 23 of the USPE Statutes.

The participation in USPE Championships and Preliminary Rounds is restricted to athletes, who

1. meet the starting requirements of their international union,
2. belong to a national sports organisation that is a member of the USPE,

3. actually is a member of police organisation/force at the time of the championship or
4. are police students at a public police academy,
5. have reached the age of 18 at the time of the Championships or the Preliminary Rounds,
6. have signed the Anti-Doping Declaration and
7. submit the USPE Declaration of Participation signed by the respective President/Secretary General to the competent member of the Technical Commission.

The police are a set of all bodies and institutions in charge of maintenance of public law and order (administrative police and crime investigation departments).

Military police, members of the military, members of the fire brigades and civil servants that do not belong to the police are excluded from the European Police Championships and the Preliminary Rounds.

Competitors suspended from sports contests by the USPE or by the respective sports association due to having violated the relevant doping regulations are not eligible to enter.

15. Accreditation/Verification of eligibility to enter

For verification of a person's eligibility, the police ID and passport or national ID-card (including a photo) must be presented to the Delegate of the USPE. In case of a document deficiency, the permission to start may be refused.

According to the USPE Statutes, all participating countries must present the USPE Declaration of Participation for each athlete who will participate, signed by the respective President or Secretary General.

Without this Declaration, the participation in the USPE EPC is not possible!

The competent member of the USPE Technical Commission, Mr. Rigas Oustampasidis, will supervise the verification during the accreditation.

To assist and ensure a smooth accreditation process, all teams must complete the Declaration of Participation Form prior to arrival.

16. **Anti-Doping**

Doping tests (urine and/or blood, total of eight) will be conducted during the USPE EPC Handball Men with the current NADA list of prohibited substances being applicable (<http://www.antidoping.hu/main.php?Lang=EN>).

According to the USPE Statutes, all participating athletes must present the self-signed USPE Anti-Doping Declaration.

Without this Declaration, the participation in the USPE EPC is not possible!

Please note the data protection notices for the Anti-Doping Declaration: https://www.uspe.org/AntidopingDokumente/Data_protection_notices_USPE_Anti_Doping_Declaration.pdf.

Each athlete can apply for TUE, i.e. permission to use, for therapeutic purposes, substances or methods contained in the list of prohibited substances or methods where use would otherwise be prohibited.

Please note the data protection notices for the TUE Application Form: https://www.uspe.org/AntidopingDokumente/Template_USPE_TUE_Application_Form.pdf.

More information are available on the USPE website: www.uspe.org.

17. **Financial provisions**

17.1 Travelling expenses

Each member union will pay for its own travelling expenses.

17.2 Board and lodging

- Delegate

The organiser will pay for the expenses incurred by the delegate (Article R 11 of the USPE Rules and Regulations) of the participating member union.

- Team

For every other participant (athlete/attendant) 60,00 € per person/per night must be paid to the organiser (Article R 14/3 of the USPE Rules and Regulations).

- Guests

In case a member country intends to be accompanied by guests and the organiser is able to provide the respective accommodation, each guest has to pay the actual costs incurred by themselves. The hotel will offer a special rate to guests for accommodation. Costs regarding food will be announced in due course. The organiser will send the respective invoices in time.

Each Team and guest is obligated to indicate a billing address (e-mail) to the organiser of this EPC. According to Form 3 invoice and bank details will be sent by the host. This fee has to be paid no later than 31st August 2023.

17.3 Registration fee

Prior to a championship, each participating country has to pay a registration fee in the amount of 500,00 € to the USPE before the opening of the championship.

The USPE General Treasurer will send the respective invoices in time.

18. Registration

Each participating member country is requested to send the enclosed forms to:

1. Hungarian Police Sport Federation, (hun.police.sport@gmail.com)
2. Office of the USPE Secretary General, (office@uspe.org)
3. USPE Technical Delegate, Rigas Oustampasidis, (oustampasidis@uspe.org)

Please meet the following deadlines

Form 2	Number of participants	15th June 2023
Form 3	Names of the participants	31st July 2023
Form 4	Travelling details	25th August 2023

Data protection notice:

The member countries are responsible for the data protection of their participants' data. Sending these forms by unencrypted e-mail is not a secure way of transmission. It is recommended to send the forms by post, fax or encrypted e-mail.

19. Restriction of personality rights

The corresponding agreement (art. 6, par. 1 lit, and art. 7 European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)) of all participants (athletes, delegates, attendants) allowing the use of personal data during the competition, during the preparation for the competition, as well as after the competition and follow-up documentation of the competition in pictures and video sequences as PR procedures, for example by the USPE, has been obtained by the participating member country and is at hand in the original.

All needed documents referring to Data protection are available to download on the USPE website:

https://www.uspe.org/data_protection.php.

It is the responsibility of the participating member country to ensure that every participant from their member country has consented to the GDPR agreement and the original consent document should be held by the member country.

20. Downloads

All needed documents are available to download on the USPE website under:

<https://www.uspe.org/downloadcenter.php>.

It is in the responsibility of all participating countries to present them to the responsible USPE Technical Delegate, Mr. Rigas Oustampasidis, during the accreditation.

21. Disclaimer

The USPE and the host shall not assume any liability in the event of accidents, theft and other events of damage or loss.

The disclaimer shall be recognised upon registration for the event.

22. Corona measures

With regard to the Covid-19 pandemic the organiser will draw up an appropriate hygiene concept for the implementation of the 16th USPE EPC Handball Men, adapted to the current situation and the applicable regulations of the Government of Hungary and the City of Baltonfüred.



23. **Notes**

One contestant per team must wear **the police uniform** of their respective country at the Opening Ceremony.

As to the Final Banquet all participants are requested to attend adequately dressed to suit the occasion (no blue jeans).

All teams shall wear uniform sportswear displaying the emblem of their individual member union.

Signed in the original

Andreas Röhner
USPE Secretary General

Dr. Péter Varga
Hungarian Police Sport
Federation President