

WMH Indoor World Cup 2026

**035 – 65's Men & Women
Nottingham, England**



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Intros

Technical Delegate: Michael Talbot (ENG)

Lead Umpire Manager : Karen Evans (WAL)

Annette Harvey (ENG), Helen Henderson (SCO), Jozann Jackson (USA), Liz Pelling (ENG), Robert Kierboom (NED), Simon Gillet (ENG)



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The WMH officials' team is committed to developing an open and honest working relationship with players, coaches and team management to deliver a World class event

Let's work together to achieve this



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Abusive outbursts and misconduct are not the best advertisement for our sport. We must be mindful of the negative impacts of these types of actions in terms of the marketing of our sport.

The crowding of players around an umpire is not acceptable.

One player only may approach an umpire – the umpires have been instructed to award a green card if two or more players approach them. Unless there is a need for a translator

After the game – respect the umpires' space ... Recognise & congratulate when they've umpired a great match



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Rule change clarification 2023-26

Some important information regarding rules and interpretations to allow as much consistency as possible

R2.3g Guidance note changed to: *This includes not stopping the time for a goalkeeper substitution, including following a goalkeeper injury or suspension if a field player needs to put on protective equipment. (The aim is to clarify the rule application).*

R13.5h was removed. *If a bully is awarded during a PC without any of the conditions of R13.5, the PC is retaken. (The aim is to align between Indoor and Outdoor rules).*

R13.6e was changed to: *no attacker enters the circle before permitted, the player taking the push from the backline is required to go to a point within 9.1 metres of the backline at the far end of the pitch; the penalty is retaken. (The aim is to align between Indoor and Outdoor rules).*



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Points to note

1. Dangerous play
2. Break Down Play
3. Ball played intentionally over the back line - PC
4. Trapping
5. Time Wasting
6. PCs – No time stopped /protective equipment
7. Penalties: Low to High Impact
8. Lifted ball
9. **Masks – Must be worn at PC's & until the PC is over**



Our Aim

Teamwork, Cooperation and Support

- ❑ **get the correct decision**

Proactive Communication & Clarity

- ❑ **no surprises**

Allow the game to flow

- ❑ **less or quicker whistle**

Manage as necessary

- ❑ **set the standards and keep the sport safe**



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THANK YOU

**We wish you all an
enjoyable and successful
tournament**

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