



# WORLD MASTERS HOCKEY

## 2026 World Cup Schiedam 22nd July - 1st August

### OVER 35, 40

(Version 1.00 1-Jul-26)

**VENUE: HC Schiedam**

Olympiaweg 63 Park, Harga, Schiedam, 3118 JD, Netherlands

#### SEEDING & POOLS

#### 35 Men

A
England
South Africa
Australia
New Zealand
Germany
Scotland
France
Wales
Spain
Ireland
Ghana
United States
Sri Lanka
Italy
Netherlands
<i>Australia B</i>
<i>South Africa B</i>

#### 40 Men

A
South Africa
Australia
England
New Zealand
Germany
France
Malaysia
Singapore
United States
Kenya
Argentina
Zimbabwe
India
Sri Lanka
Ireland
Wales
Italy
Hong-Kong
Scotland
<i>South Africa B</i>

#### 35 Women

A
South Africa
Netherlands
England
Australia
New Zealand
Scotland
Germany
Argentina
Ireland
Wales
France
United States
Ghana
India
Paraguay
Kenya
Belgium

#### 40 Women

A
Australia
Argentina
Chile
England
Uruguay
Wales
United States
Ireland
New Zealand
South Africa
Scotland
Kenya
Canada
Belgium
Czech Republic
Spain
Netherlands
Italy

**FORMATS:** As per WMH Competition Handbook Part B with variations for combined competitions.  
The results against IMC teams will count towards the Group Stage pool results.  
Teams reaching the Semifinal get 7 matches; all other teams get 6 matches in the tournament.

**35 Men:** One Pool (A) of 17 teams  
(15 + 2 IMC teams) Each team plays 4 games in pool  
**8 team Quarterfinal** (Top 8 of Pool A)  
Quarterfinal winners advance to Semifinals  
Quarterfinal runners up are ranked RU1 - RU4 based on Pool A standing  
**Semifinal** (Winners of Quarterfinals)  
**Final** (Winners of Semifinals) Class 1-2  
**Class 3&4** (Losers of Semifinals) Class 3-4  
RU1 and RU2 play for Class 5&6; RU3 and RU4 play for Class 7&8 Class 5-8  
Crossover and classification games for Pool A 9th - 12th Class 9-12  
Round robin (Pool B) for Pool A 13th - 15th Class 13-15  
The two IMC teams play Friendly and Final in Rotterdam

**40 Men:** One Pool (A) of 20 teams  
(19 + 1 IMC teams) Each team plays 4 games in pool  
**8 team Quarterfinal** (Top 8 of Pool A)  
Quarterfinal winners advance to Semifinals  
Quarterfinal runners up are ranked RU1 - RU4 based on Pool A standing  
**Semifinal** (Winners of Quarterfinals)  
**Final** (Winners of Semifinals) Class 1-2  
**Class 3&4** (Losers of Semifinals) Class 3-4  
RU1 and RU2 play for Class 5&6; RU3 and RU4 play for Class 7&8 Class 5-8  
Crossover and classification games for Pool A 9th - 12th Class 9-12  
Crossover and classification games for Pool A 13th - 16th Class 13-16  
Round robin (Pool B) for Pool A 17th - 19th Class 17-19  
The IMC team play Friendly games in Rotterdam

**35 Women:** One Pool (A) of 17 teams  
(17 teams) Each team plays 4 games in pool  
**8 team Quarterfinal** (Top 8 of Pool A)  
Quarterfinal winners advance to Semifinals  
Quarterfinal runners up are ranked RU1 - RU4 based on Pool A standing  
**Semifinal** (Winners of Quarterfinals)  
**Final** (Winners of Semifinals) Class 1-2  
**Class 3&4** (Losers of Semifinals) Class 3-4  
RU1 and RU2 play for Class 5&6; RU3 and RU4 play for Class 7&8 Class 5-8  
Crossover and classification games for Pool A 9th - 12th Class 9-12  
Pool A 13th and 14th play two matches for Class 13&14 Class 13-14  
Round robin (Pool B) for Pool A 15th - 17th Class 15-17

<b>40 Women:</b>	One Pool (A) of 18 teams	
(18 teams)	Each team plays 4 games in pool	
	<b>8 team Quarterfinal</b> (Top 8 of Pool A)	
	Quarterfinal winners advance to Semifinals	
	Quarterfinal runners up are ranked RU1 - RU4 based on Pool A standing	
	<b>Semifinal</b> (Winners of Quarterfinals)	
	<b>Final</b> (Winners of Semifinals)	Class 1-2
	<b>Class 3&amp;4</b> (Losers of Semifinals)	Class 3-4
	RU1 and RU2 play for Class 5&6; RU3 and RU4 play for Class 7&8	Class 5-8
	Crossover and classification games for Pool A 9th - 12th	Class 9-12
	Pool A 13th and 14th play two matches for Class 13&14	Class 13-14
	Crossover and classification games for Pool A 15th-18th	Class 15-18

**Glossary : Explanation of abbreviations and labels used in the schedule**

IMC: International Master Cup

Semi M9: Semifinal Match #9

Q/F M1 4th A v 5th A: Quarterfinal Match #1 between 4th and 5th ranked team of pool A

X/O M6 10th A v 11th A: Crossover Match #6 between 10th and 11th ranked team of pool A

Class 3&4: Classification Match for 3rd and 4th place

Final Winners M1 v M2: Final between the winners of matches #1 and #2

RU1: Top ranked runner up of Quarterfinal (based on relative Pool A standing)

RU4: Bottom ranked runner up of Quarterfinal (based on relative Pool A standing)

RU eample: If 8th A, 2nd A, 6th A and 4th A lose their respective Quarterfinals, they are ranked:

RU1=2nd A, RU2=4th A, RU3=5th A and RU4=8th A

### WEDNESDAY 22nd JULY

	Pitch 1		Pitch 2		Pitch 3		Pitch 5
19:00	Opening Ceremony						

### THURSDAY 23rd JULY

	Pitch 1		Pitch 2		Pitch 3		Pitch 5
9:00	35M (A) ITA v SCO	9:00	40M (A) RSA v USA	9:00	35W (A) RSA v IRL	9:00	40M (A) MAS v IRL
10:50	35M (A) GER v SRI	10:50	40M (A) KEN v AUS	10:50	35W (A) WAL v NED	10:50	40M (A) WAL v SGP
12:40	35M (A) AUS v GHA	12:40	40M (A) ENG v ARG	12:40	35W (A) ENG v FRA	12:40	40W (A) KEN v ENG
14:30	35M (A) IRL v RSA	14:30	40M (A) ZIM v NZL	14:30	35W (A) IND v SCO	14:30	40W (A) RSA v ARG
16:20	35M (A) USA v NZL	16:20	40M (A) GER v IND	16:20	35W (A) USA v AUS	16:20	40W (A) CHI v SCO
18:10	35M (A) ENG v ESP	18:10	40M (A) SRI v FRA	18:10	35W (A) NZL v GHA	18:10	40W (A) AUS v NZL

**BYE:** 35M AUS B, FRA, NED, RSA B, WAL; 40M HKG, ITA, RSA B, SCO; 35W ARG, BEL, GER, KEN, PAR; 40W BEL, CAN, CZE, ESP, IRL, ITA, NED, URU, USA, WAL

### FRIDAY 24th JULY

	Pitch 1		Pitch 2		Pitch 3		Pitch 5
9:00	40W (A) BEL v WAL	9:00	35M (A) RSA B v IRL	9:00	40M (A) SGP v RSA	9:00	35W (A) SCO v ENG
10:50	40W (A) URU v CAN	10:50	35M (A) RSA v FRA	10:50	40M (A) IRL v HKG	10:50	35W (A) ARG v RSA
12:40	40W (A) USA v CZE	12:40	35M (A) SCO v AUS	12:40	40M (A) IND v RSA B	12:40	35W (A) NED v GER
14:30	40W (A) ESP v IRL	14:30	35M (A) WAL v ENG	14:30	40M (A) SCO v SRI	14:30	35W (A) BEL v WAL
16:20	40W (A) NZL v NED	16:20	35M (A) GHA v AUS B	16:20	40M (A) AUS v MAS	16:20	35W (A) FRA v KEN
18:10	40W (A) ITA v RSA	18:10	35M (A) NED v USA	18:10	40M (A) ITA v WAL	18:10	35W (A) PAR v USA

**BYE:** 35M ESP, GER, ITA, NZL, SRI; 40M ARG, ENG, FRA, GER, KEN, NZL, USA, ZIM; 35W AUS, GHA, IND, IRL, NZL; 40W ARG, AUS, CHI, ENG, KEN, SCO



### SATURDAY 25th JULY

	Pitch 1		Pitch 2		Pitch 3		Pitch 5
9:00	35W (A) AUS v NZL	9:00	40W (A) ARG v USA	9:00	35M (A) NZL v GER	9:00	40M (A) NZL v GER
10:50	35W (A) GHA v IND	10:50	40W (A) WAL v CHI	10:50	35M (A) ESP v RSA B	10:50	40M (A) FRA v ENG
12:40	35W (A) KEN v ARG	12:40	40W (A) ENG v URU	12:40	35M (A) AUS B v WAL	12:40	40M (A) USA v ITA
14:30	35W (A) GER v PAR	14:30	40W (A) SCO v ITA	14:30	35M (A) FRA v NED	14:30	40M (A) HKG v KEN
16:20	35W (A) IRL v BEL	16:20	40W (A) CZE v BEL	16:20	35M (A) SRI v ITA	16:20	40M (A) ARG v SCO
18:10	40W (A) IRL v AUS	18:10	40W (A) CAN v ESP	18:10	40M (A) RSA B v ZIM	18:10	40W (A) NED v KEN

**BYE:** 35M AUS, ENG, GHA, IRL, RSA, SCO, USA; 40M AUS, IND, IRL, MAS, RSA, SGP, SRI, WAL; 35W RSA, NED, ENG, SCO, WAL, FRA, USA; 40W NZL, RSA

### SUNDAY 26th JULY

	Pitch 1		Pitch 2		Pitch 3		Pitch 5
9:00	40M (A) IND v AUS	9:00	35W (A) GHA v NED	9:00	40M (A) USA v FRA	9:00	35M (A) AUS v USA
10:50	40M (A) ARG v NZL	10:50	35W (A) ENG v USA	10:50	40W (A) CHI v BEL	10:50	35M (A) SRI v RSA
12:40	40M (A) RSA v SRI	12:40	35W (A) RSA v IND	12:40	40W (A) AUS v ESP	12:40	35M (A) ENG v ITA
14:30	40M (A) ENG v ZIM	14:30	35W (A) FRA v AUS	14:30	40W (A) CZE v ARG	14:30	35M (A) GHA v NZL
16:20	40M (A) GER v KEN	16:20	35W (A) NZL v WAL	16:20	40W (A) CAN v ENG	16:20	35M (A) GER v IRL
18:10	40M (A) MAS v SGP	18:10	35W (A) IRL v SCO	18:10	40W (A) URU v KEN	18:10	35M (A) ESP v SCO

**BYE:** 35M AUS B, FRA, NED, RSA B, WAL; 40M HKG, IRL, ITA, RSA B, SCO, WAL; 35W ARG, BEL, GER, KEN, PAR; 40W IRL, ITA, NED, NZL, RSA, SCO, USA, WAL

### MONDAY 27th JULY

	Pitch 1		Pitch 2		Pitch 3		Pitch 5
9:00	35M (A) NED v ENG	9:00	40M (A) AUS v WAL	9:00	35W (A) PAR v RSA	9:00	40W (A) NED v AUS
10:50	35M (A) IRL v GHA	10:50	40M (A) FRA v RSA B	10:50	35W (A) NED v KEN	10:50	40W (A) ARG v ITA
12:40	35M (A) FRA v WAL	12:40	40M (A) ITA v ENG	12:40	35W (A) USA v IRL	12:40	40W (A) NZL v IRL
14:30	35M (A) USA v ESP	14:30	40M (A) NZL v HKG	14:30	35W (A) GER v ARG	14:30	40W (A) USA v RSA
16:20	35M (A) RSA B v AUS	16:20	40M (A) IRL v RSA	16:20	35W (A) BEL v ENG	16:20	40W (A) SCO v WAL
18:10	35M (A) RSA v AUS B	18:10	40M (A) SCO v GER	18:10	35W (A) WAL v FRA	18:10	40M (A) SRI v IND

**BYE:** 35M GER, ITA, NZL, SCO, SRI; 40M ARG, KEN, MAS, SGP, USA, ZIM; 35W AUS, GHA, IND, NZL, SCO; 40W, BEL, CAN, CHI, CZE, ENG, ESP, KEN, URU



## TUESDAY 28th JULY

	Pitch 1		Pitch 2		Pitch 3		Pitch 5
9:00	40W (A) ESP v URU	9:00	35W (A) KEN v NZL	9:00	35M (A) SCO v NED	9:00	40M (A) KEN v ITA
10:50	40W (A) WAL v CZE	10:50	35W (A) SCO v PAR	10:50	35M (A) NZL v RSA B	10:50	40M (A) WAL v ARG
12:40	40W (A) ITA v CHI	12:40	35W (A) IND v GER	12:40	35M (A) AUS B v GER	12:40	40M (A) ZIM v IRL
14:30	40W (A) BEL v USA	14:30	40W (A) KEN v NZL	14:30	35M (A) ITA v FRA	14:30	40M (A) RSA B v MAS
16:20	35W (A) ARG v GHA	16:20	40W (A) IRL v CAN	16:20	35M (A) WAL v SRI	16:20	40M (A) SGP v SCO
18:10	35W (A) AUS v BEL	18:10	40W (A) ENG v NED	18:10	40W (A) RSA v SCO	18:10	40M (A) HKG v USA
<b>BYE:</b> 35M AUS, ENG, ESP, GHA, IRL, RSA, USA; 40M AUS, ENG, FRA, GER, IND, NZL, RSA, SRI; 35W ENG, FRA, IRL, NED, RSA, USA, WAL; 40W, ARG, AUS							

## WEDNESDAY 29th JULY

	Pitch 1		Pitch 2		Pitch 3		Pitch 5
9:00	40M Q/F M1 4th A v 5th A	9:00	35M Q/F M1 4th A v 5th A	9:00	40W Q/F M1 4th A v 5th A	9:00	35W Q/F M1 4th A v 5th A
11:00	40M Q/F M2 3rd A v 6th A	11:00	35M Q/F M2 3rd A v 6th A	11:00	40W Q/F M2 3rd A v 6th A	11:00	35W Q/F M2 3rd A v 6th A
13:00	40M Q/F M3 2nd A v 7th A	13:00	35M Q/F M3 2nd A v 7th A	13:00	40W Q/F M3 2nd A v 7th A	13:00	35W Q/F M3 2nd A v 7th A
15:00	40M Q/F M4 1st A v 8th A	15:00	35M Q/F M4 1st A v 8th A	15:00	40W Q/F M4 1st A v 8th A	15:00	35W Q/F M4 1st A v 8th A
18:00	Dutch Tournament Party						
<b>BYE:</b> N/A							

## THURSDAY 30th JULY

	Pitch 1		Pitch 2		Pitch 3		Pitch 5
8:00		8:00		8:00		8:00	
10:00	40M X/O M5 9th A v 12th A	10:00	35M X/O M5 9th A v 12th A	10:00	40W X/O M5 9th A v 12th A	10:00	35W X/O M5 9th A v 12th A
12:00	40M X/O M6 10th A v 11th A	12:00	35M X/O M6 10th A v 11th A	12:00	40W X/O M6 10th A v 11th A	12:00	35W X/O M6 10th A v 11th A
14:00	40M X/O M7 13th A v 16th A	14:00	35M (B) 14th A v 15th A	14:00	40W X/O M7 15th A v 18th A	14:00	35W Class 13&14 14th A v 13th A
16:00	40M X/O M8 14th A v 15th A	16:00	40W Class 13&14 14th A v 13th A	16:00	40W X/O M8 16th A v 17th A	16:00	35W (B) 16th A v 17th A
18:00	40M (B) 18th A v 19th A	18:00		18:00		18:00	
<b>BYE:</b> N/A							



### FRIDAY 31st JULY

	Pitch 1		Pitch 2		Pitch 3		Pitch 5
8:00	35M (B) 15th A v 13th A	8:00	35W (B) 17th A v 15th A	8:00	40M (B) 19th A v 17th A	8:00	35W Class 7&8 RU3 v RU4
10:00	40M Semi M9 Winners M4 v M1	10:00	40W Semi M9 Winners M4 v M1	10:00	40M Class 7&8 RU3 v RU4	10:00	35W Class 9&10 Winners M5 v M6
12:00	40M Semi M10 Winners M3 v M2	12:00	40W Semi M10 Winners M3 v M2	12:00	40M Class 9&10 Winners M5 v M6	12:00	35W Class 11&12 Losers M6 v M5
14:00	35M Semi M7 Winners M4 v M1	14:00	35W Semi M7 Winners M4 v M1	14:00	40M Class 11&12 Losers M6 v M5	14:00	35W Class 13&14 13th A v 14th A
16:00	35M Semi M8 Winners M3 v M2	16:00	35W Semi M8 Winners M3 v M2	16:00	40M Class 13&14 Winners M7 v M8	16:00	40W Class 11&12 Losers M6 v M5
18:00	35M Class 9&10 Winners M5 v M6	18:00	40W Class 7&8 RU3 v RU4	18:00	40M Class 15&16 Losers M8 v M7	18:00	40W Class 13&14 13th A v 14th A
20:00	35M Class 11&12 Losers M6 v M5	20:00	40W Class 9&10 Winners M5 v M6	20:00	40W Class 17&18 Losers M8 v M7	20:00	40W Class 15&16 Winners M7 v M8
<b>BYE: N/A</b>							

### SATURDAY 1st AUGUST

	Pitch 1		Pitch 2		Pitch 3		Pitch 5
10:00	40W Final Winners M9 v M10	9:00	40W Class 3&4 Losers M10 v M9	9:00	40W Class 5&6 RU1 v RU2	9:00	35M (B) 13th A v 14th A
12:00	40M Final Winners M9 v M10	11:00	40M Class 3&4 Losers M10 v M9	11:00	40M Class 5&6 RU1 v RU2	11:00	40M (B) 17th A v 18th A
14:00	35W Final Winners M7 v M8	13:00	35W Class 3&4 Losers M8 v M7	13:00	35W Class 5&6 RU1 v RU2	13:00	35W (B) 15th A v 16th A
16:00	35M Final Winners M7 v M8	15:00	35M Class 3&4 Losers M8 v M7	15:00	35M Class 5&6 RU1 v RU2	15:00	35M Class 7&8 RU3 v RU4
18:00	Closing Ceremony						
<b>BYE: N/A</b>							

