

# Official Bulletin 1 of IFA 2018 FISTBALL U18 MEN'S AND WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS USA



## Summary To-dos Member Federations

INFO	DEADLINE	TO BE SENT TO
Drawing of group stage		Covered on Facebook on 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2018
Team nomination (Long List)	<b>31 May 2018</b>	Details will be provided in Bulletin 2
Team Photo	<b>31 May 2018</b>	<a href="mailto:office@ifa-fistball.com">office@ifa-fistball.com</a>
Final Team nomination (Short List)	<b>20 June 2018</b>	Details will be provided in Bulletin 2

## 1. Participation, Teams and Quota

The following teams applied for admission:

Women	Men
Austria	Argentina
Brazil	Austria
Chile	Brazil
Germany	Chile
India	Germany
Switzerland	India
USA	Italy
	Switzerland
	USA

Only Member federations that have fulfilled their financial liabilities to IFA will be admitted to the IFA 2018 Fistball U18 Men's and Women's World Championships USA.



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Each team has to consist of up to ten players and up to 3 officials. Additionally, every Federation is allowed to nominate 1 Head of Delegation, who may also be one of the team officials.

Maximum accreditation quota per federation thus is 27 people.

The players have to be born in year 2000 or later.

## 2. Regulations

The IFA Competition Rules (IFCR) and the IFA Regulations World Championships form the basis for the event.

## 3. Schedule

Date	Day	Round	Amendment
10 July 2018	Tuesday		Practising Day 17:00 Heads of delegations' meeting 18:00 IFA Youth Congress
11 July 2018	Wednesday	Preliminary Round	Schedule of event: 10:00 First Match 14:30 Official Opening Ceremony
12 July 2018	Thursday	Preliminary Round	19:00 IFA reception
13 July 2018	Friday	Double Elimination	
14 July 2018	Saturday	Double Elimination Semi-finals	
15 July 2018	Sunday	Placement Matches and Finals	20:00 Final banquet
16 July 2018	Monday		Departure

The matches take place from Wednesday 11 July 2018 to Sunday 15 July 2018.

The World Championship finishes with the final banquet dated Sunday 15 July 2018

## 4. Tournament Format / Drawing

### Format of WOMEN'S Competition

#### 1. Preliminary round (2 Groups (A/B)), best of 5 sets

7 participating teams in the tournament.

4 teams in group A, 3 teams in group B: depending on the result of IFA draw

Positions and groups are drawn according to results of the 2016 World Championships in Nuremberg (Germany), that means first and second place could be drawn as A1 or B1 etc.

Matches of preliminary round are carried out in a round-robin system, all of them being played best of 5 sets.

#### 2. Double Elimination round (best of 5 sets)

##### Round 1:

DE 1: 1A vs BYE

DE 2: 2B vs 3A

DE 3: 2A vs 3B

DE 4: 1B vs 4A

##### Round 2A: Winners enter round 4 (=semi-finals), Losers enter round 3 (=qualifiers for semi-finals))

DE 5: Winner DE1 vs Winner DE2

DE 6: Winner DE3 vs Winner DE4

**Round 2B: Winners enter round 3 (=qualifiers for semi-finals), Losers enter round 5 (=placement matches 5/6/7, "President's Cup")**

DE 7: Loser DE1 vs Loser DE2

DE 8: Loser DE3 vs Loser DE4

**Round 3: Qualifiers for semi-finals: Winners enter semi-finals, Losers enter round 5 (=placement matches for positions 5/6/7)**

DE 9: Loser DE5 vs Winner DE8

DE 10: Loser DE6 vs Winner DE7

**Round 4: Semi-finals (best of 5 sets)**

DE 11: Winner DE5 vs Winner DE 10

DE 12: Winner DE6 vs Winner DE 9

### **3. Round 5: Placement matches**

Positions 5/6/7: Loser of round 2B and losers of round 3 (round robin, best of 3 sets)

Positions 3/4: Losers of semi-finals (best of 5)

Positions 1/2: Winners of semi-finals (best of 5)

### **Format of MEN'S Competition**

#### **1. Preliminary round (2 Groups (A/B)), best of 5 sets**

9 participating teams in the tournament.

5 teams in group A, 4 teams in group B: depending on the result of IFA draw.

Positions and groups are drawn according to results of the 2016 World Championships in Nuremberg (Germany), that means first and second place could be drawn as A1 or B1 etc.

Matches of preliminary round are carried out in a round-robin system, all of them being played best of 5 sets.

#### **2. Qualification round (Teams ranked 4th and 5th at preliminary round)**

Those teams compete against each other in a round robin system.

The better 2 out of the 3 teams qualify for the next round (=double elimination).

Matches are being played best of 3 sets.

The team ranked 1st will be seeded 7th, the team ranked 2nd is seeded 8th.

The team ranked 3rd moves on to round 5 (=Placement matches)

#### **3. Double Elimination round (best of 5 sets)**

Round 1:

DE 1: 1A vs SEED 8

DE 2: 2B vs 3A

DE 3: 2A vs 3B

DE 4: 1B vs SEED 7

Round 2A: Winners enter round 4 (=semi-finals), Losers enter round 3 (=qualifiers for semi-finals))

DE 5: Winner DE1 vs Winner DE2

DE 6: Winner DE3 vs Winner DE4

**Round 2B: Winners enter round 3 (=qualifiers for semi-finals), Losers enter round 5 (=placement matches 7-9, "President's Cup")**

DE 7: Loser DE1 vs Loser DE2

DE 8: Loser DE3 vs Loser DE4

**Round 3: Qualifiers for semi-finals: Winners enter semi-finals, Losers enter round 5 (=placement matches for positions 5/6)**

DE 9: Loser DE5 vs Winner DE8

DE 10: Loser DE6 vs Winner DE7

**Round 4: Semifinals**

DE 11: Winner DE5 vs Winner DE 10

DE 12: Winner DE6 vs Winner DE 9

#### **4. Round 5: Placement matches**

Positions 7-9: Losers of round 2 and loser qualification (round robin, best of 3)

Positions 5/6: Losers of round 3 (best of 5)

Positions 3/4: Losers of semi-finals (best of 5)

Positions 1/2: Winners of semi-finals (best of 5)

#### **5. Balls**

On the basis of the court and weather conditions, IFA and referees are going to decide which of the following types of balls is used during a match:

- Ludwig Leather dry / trocken, MAJ1, Men / Männer
- Ludwig Microfaser all-weather, MFM2, Men / Männer
- Ludwig Leather dry / trocken, FAJ1/2, Women/ Minors, Frauen/ Schüler
- Ludwig Microfaser all-weather, MFF, Women/ Minors, Frauen/ Schüler

#### **6. IFA Competition Management at IFA Fistball U18 World Championships**

The IFA Competition Manager of the IFA 2018 Fistball U18 Men's & Women's World Championship USA is Christoph Oberlehner.

IFA Technical Delegate of the IFA 2018 Fistball U18 Men's & Women's World Championship USA is Winfried Kronsteiner.

Those two form the IFA Jury according point 36 of the IFA Juridical Regulations.

The IFA Team embraces 5 people in Roxbury:

- IFA President Karl Weiss
- Competition Manager Christoph Oberlehner
- Technical Delegate Winfried Kronsteiner
- Media: Sönke Spille
- Chair of the IFA Youth Commission: Uwe Schneider

#### **7. Venue Information**

Horseshoe Lake  
Roxbury Township, New Jersey 07876, USA

1 Center Court with stands, up to 3 further match courts and 3 practice fields.

- I - Main Field
- P - Practice Fields
- B - Bathrooms
- M - Main Building



## 8. Visa Information

Generally, a citizen of a foreign country who wishes to enter the United States must first obtain a visa, either a non-immigrant visa for temporary stay, or an immigrant visa for permanent residence. Visitor visas are non-immigrant visas for persons who want to enter the United States temporarily for business (visa category B-1), tourism, pleasure or visiting (visa category B-2), or a combination of both purposes (B-1/B-2).

### How to Apply

There are several steps to apply for a visa. The order of these steps and how you complete them may vary at the U.S. Embassy or Consulate where you apply. Please consult the instructions available on the U.S. Embassy or Consulate website where you will apply.

**Complete the Online Visa Application:** <https://travel.state.gov/content/visas/en/visit/visitor.html>

- **Online Nonimmigrant Visa Application, Form DS-160** – Learn more about completing the DS-160. You must:
  - 1) complete the online visa application and
  - 2) print the application form confirmation page to bring to your interview.
- **Photo** – You will upload your photo while completing the online Form DS-160. Your photo must be in the format explained in the Photograph Requirements.

### Schedule an Interview

While interviews are generally not required for applicants of certain ages, consular officers have the discretion to require an interview of any applicant, regardless of age.

You must schedule an appointment for your visa interview, generally, at the U.S. Embassy or Consulate in the country where you live. You may schedule your interview at any U.S. Embassy or Consulate, but be aware that it may be difficult to qualify for a visa outside of your place of permanent residence.

Participants being in need for Visa are requested to register online as mentioned above prior to the deadlines given.

The Organizing Committee will **upon request** send invitation letters to the respective Federation.

The Organizers would like to underline that Visa procedures are the responsibility of the applying person/s. In any case but in particular in the case of late registration or failing respective procedures the Organizers are not responsible for the participant's visas. The Organizers however will be glad to assist when questions on Visa procedures should apply.

## **9. IFA Fistball Academy**

Within the framework of the IFA 2018 Fistball U18 Men's and Women's World Championships USA IFA will organize an IFA Fistball Academy for teachers and trainers as full day training program on Friday 13 July 2018 and Saturday 14 July 2018. The target of the education is to provide the basic rules of Fistball, training and the essentials for school sports for students 10 years and older.

**The following programme is scheduled:**

### Friday, July 13th, 2018

From 9:00 – 12:00 AM: Basic practical training measures, part 1  
Starting 2:00 h PM: Observation of the World Championships

### Saturday, July 14th, 2018

From 9:00 – 12:00 AM: Basic practical training measures, part 2  
Starting 2:00 h PM: Review of the training and advanced education and visiting the semi-finals

### As an option: Sunday, July 15th, 2018

Visiting the final games of the IFA 2018 U 18 World Championships

The participation of the training and advanced education is free of charge. Only the costs for travelling, lodging and catering are to be covered by the participants. The number of participants is limited. All participants will receive a certificate of attendance and additionally they will get the possibility to purchase a reduced Fistball starter package after having finished the academy. Regarding the organisation we ask for your registration by April 15th, 2018 with name and contact information to: [http://tiny.cc/Academy\\_Registration](http://tiny.cc/Academy_Registration)

## **10. IFA Youth Congress**

The IFA Youth and Sports Commission is planning to organize the 2. IFA Youth Congress within the framework of the World Championships. The aim of the IFA Youth Congress is to discuss and share the ideas of youth concepts from the IFA member federation to increase the youth appeal of fistball. Details are provided in due time.

The IFA Youth Congress takes place on Tuesday 10 July 2018, 6pm.

## **11. Official Website and Contact**

The official website of U18 World Championships is [www.fistballu18wc.com](http://www.fistballu18wc.com)

Facebook: [facebook.com/USFistball/](https://www.facebook.com/USFistball/)

We would be glad if you use the Hashtag #fistballu18wc and #fistball to inform the spectators about every activity within the context of U18 World Championships.

### **Contact information / Imprint**

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**Appendix 01 Overview Economic Conditions IFA Fistball World Championships (excerpt)**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>QUANTITY</b>	<b>DESCRPITION</b>	<b>COST HOST</b>	<b>COST IFA</b>	<b>COST TEAMS</b>
Participating teams	12 - 16	Travelling Expenses			X
		Accommodation & Full Board			X
		Transfer to/from airport			X
		Transfer to/from venue			X
Overall Organisation				X	
Medals				X	
IFA Reception	100 - 130	2 per team, IFA, host, media	X		
Final dinner (Banquet)	~ 300	All players, IFA, host, media	X		