

# Official Bulletin 1 of IFA 2021 FISTBALL U18 MEN'S AND WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS AUSTRIA and EFA 2021 FISTBALL U21 MEN'S EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP AUSTRIA



## Summary To-dos Member Federations

INFO	DEADLINE	TO BE SENT TO
Team nomination (Long List)	by 15 May 2021	<a href="http://www.fistball.org">www.fistball.org</a>
Final Team nomination (Short List)	15 May – 15 June 2021	<a href="http://www.fistball.org">www.fistball.org</a>
Team photo	by 15 May 2021	Upload on <a href="http://www.fistball.org">www.fistball.org</a>
Travel Information	by 15 June 2021	<a href="http://www.fistball.org">www.fistball.org</a>
Jersey Colours	by 15 June 2021	<a href="http://www.fistball.org">www.fistball.org</a>
Registration for IFA Youth Congress	by 30 June 2021	<a href="http://tiny.cc/YouthCongress2021">http://tiny.cc/YouthCongress2021</a>
Order Team Catering	by 30 June 2021	<a href="http://tiny.cc/U18WC-TeamCatering">http://tiny.cc/U18WC-TeamCatering</a>



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## **1. COVID-Situation and entry permission from Austrian Sports Ministry**

The worldwide COVID19 pandemic still affects all of us. From the beginning the organizers of the U18 World Championships and U21 European Championships have been working within several scenarios to carry out the events.

Currently, the local organizing committee in Grieskirchen are confident that they will be able to hold events with at least a reduced number of spectators and appropriate protective measures. Of course, IFA and the local organizers will do everything to minimize the risk for all participants. The health of all involved people is and will be our top priority.

Even if there are no spectators allowed, the event should be held and carried out as a festival for all Fistball players.

So far, our regulation was: "Because of the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic each team can withdraw their registration because of COVID reasons until 30 April 2021 without any consequences and get back 100% of the deposit already paid." **This deadline will be extended to 31 May 2021 to support the federations in the decision-making process and to give them more time to find the best decision possible.**

If a team is affected by any verifiable travel restrictions to Austria due to the COVID-19 pandemic after 30 April, IFA will also return 100% of the deposit. This deadline will be also extended to 31 May 2021.

### **YOUR FEEDBACK APPRECIATED:**

We are glad to receive a short information from all participating member federations about your point of view if you still plan to participate or what measures would be necessary for you to participate by 18 April 2021. We appreciate your support and are looking forward to receiving feedback from all of you by mail to [office@ifa-fistball.com](mailto:office@ifa-fistball.com)!

### **Entry regulations to Austria:**

Please find attached a confirmation by the Austrian Sports Ministry which allows all participating member federations to enter Austria without quarantine. This exception is valid for athletes and officials who participate in the U18 World Championship or the U21 European Championship. Please note this exception is based on the current laws and restrictions.

Faustball Austria has to confirm all members of your delegation and you'll receive a confirmation from Faustball Austria by the end of June. The confirmation is valid for all members on the short list of your delegation.

Translation of the attached entry permission from Austrian Sports Ministry:

*According to § 4 (3) Z 2 COVID-19 entry regulation in the current version, top athletes are entitled to enter Austria according to § 3 Z 6 BSFG 2017. Provided that a valid negative PCR test, not older than 72 hours, or antigen test negative for SARS-CoV-2, which is not older than 48 hours, can be presented, no quarantine has to be entered after entry.*

*The entrant has to carry a confirmation of the professional association confirming that he/she is a top athlete according to § 3 Z 6 BSFG 2017.*

### **COVID19 could change some organizational topics:**

Please note that several organizational aspects like Opening Ceremony or Welcome Dinner etc. have to be re-confirmed because of COVID-19 regulations. The organizers are prepared to offer other solutions and will inform you before the start of the event.

## 2. Schedule

The U18 World Championships take place from Thursday 29 July 2021 to Sunday 1 August 2021. They end with the victory ceremony for all teams on Sunday 1 August 2021.

The U21 European Championship starts on Friday 30 July and ends on Saturday 31 July with the victory ceremony for all teams.

The World Championship starts on **Thursday 29 July 2021**. The organizers plan a player's party on Saturday 31 July and Sunday 1 August after the victory ceremony.

*The times given in the schedule (match, training, ...) are to be considered as draft. They may also be changed due to the number of participating nations and covid19-restrictions.*

Day	Competition days U18	Competition days U21
Wednesday 28 July	09:00 Training day U18 m+f 14:00 Youth Congress 16:00 Technical Meeting (Head of Delegations' Meeting - including Referees) 17:00 Round Table Referees	-
Thursday 29 July	09:30 Matches U18 m+f 18:45 Start march in the city center to the Opening Ceremony- Meeting point at venue 19:15 Start Opening Ceremony in the city center (obligatory for all teams)	09:00 Training day U21 m 18:45 Start march in the city center to the Opening Ceremony- Meeting point at venue 19:15 Start Opening Ceremony in the city center (obligatory for all teams)
Friday 30 July	09:30 Matches U18 m+f 19:30 Welcome Dinner for all teams Possibility to hand over guest mementos/presents	14:15 Matches U21 m 19:30 Welcome Dinner for all teams Possibility to hand over guest mementos/presents
Saturday 31 July	09:30 Matches U18 m+f  Followed by Player's Party	12:00 Matches U21 m 18:30 Final U21m 20:00 Victory Ceremony (obligatory for all U21 teams) Followed by Player's Party
Sunday 1 August	09:30 Matches U18 m+f 15:00 Final U18f 16:30 Final U18m 17:30 Victory Ceremony (obligatory for all teams U18 teams) Followed by Player's Party	-

### 3. 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.

#### U18 Competitions:

- Errea Men FAUST (dry and wet conditions)
- Errea Women ANDROMEDA (dry and wet conditions)



#### U21 Competition:

- Sportastic Men Premium Competition dry 350 (dry conditions)
- Sportastic Men Micro dry 350 (dry conditions)
- Sportastic Men Micro wet 350 (wet conditions)



#### Purchase the balls here:

Errea Balls: [www.fistball-shop.com](http://www.fistball-shop.com)

Sportastic balls: <https://www.sportastic.com/sortiment/baelle/faustbaelle/>

### 4. Registration of players/coaches/officials and pictures

The registration process will be open from

**1 April 2021 – 15 May 2021.**

A player/coach/official/extra official can only be registered if all information is available. We kindly ask you to register each player/official/staff member for your entire delegation in the fistball database by **15 May 2021**: [www.fistball.org](http://www.fistball.org)

If you have problems with the database or questions, please contact Theresa Eidenhammer ([t.eidenhammer@ifa-fistball.com](mailto:t.eidenhammer@ifa-fistball.com)) anytime.

All information in this form is definitely necessary for the TV production, professional media work, accreditation and for the media work of the organizers.

For the registration process, the following mandatory data are required:

- Gender
- Representing Country
- Passport Family Name
- Passport Given Name
- Preferred Family Name
- Preferred Given Name
- Date of Birth
- Place of Birth
- Club Name
- Photo
- Height
- Player's email
- Jersey Number
- Number of Matches in national team
- Position (spiker, setter, defense player)
- Specials (Vegetarian/Allergies etc.)

Please use the mail address of the player.

It is of special importance to us to assure that we see a major obligation to handle the data submitted to us with care and to protect these from misuse. For future events it's not necessary to register a player again, it's possible to add that registered player to a long list or final team nomination just by one click.

Information about portrait pictures:

- upright format
- neutral, single-colour (grey or white) background
- Motive: Head and chest
- High resolution
- Official clothes (shirt, sweater etc.)
- Please do not upload photos taken with mobile phones.

The pictures will be used for the accreditation card, the program, videowall and the internet presentation.

## 5. Final team nomination

The national federation have to provide a long list with all possible players until **15 May 2021** by registering all players in the database mentioned in bulletpoint 3. **No player can be added after 15 May 2021.**









The final team nomination has to be made out of the long list between **15 May and 15 June 2021** by selecting the players in the database on [www.fistball.org](http://www.fistball.org).

**The substitution of an ill/injured player is possible until the beginning of the tournament, but the players must have been announced at the long list provided by 15 May 2021.**

## 6. Team Photo

The club team has to upload a team picture to [www.fistball.org](http://www.fistball.org) latest by **15 May 2021.**

- Log in on [www.fistball.org](http://www.fistball.org)
- Menu: Events – choose the correct event
- Button in the right bottom corner “Add club information
- “Insert Picture”
- Upload the team picture
- Click “Save” button

Longlist	Shortlist
 Min players: 5	 Min players: 5
 Max players: 20	 Max players: 10
 Max staff: 10	 Max staff: 10
 Deadline: 2020-05-15	 Deadline: 2020-06-15


[ADD CLUB INFORMATION](#)

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[ASSIGN PLAYER](#)   [ASSIGN STAFF](#)   [INSERT JOURNEY](#)   [INSERT JERSEYS](#)   **[INSERT PICTURE](#)**

### Insert Picture

Please upload an up-to-date picture of your team.

 Drop Picture here or [Click to Upload](#)

## 7. Arrival and Departure Information & Transportation

On days of arrival and departure a free shuttle bus transfer from and to **Airport Linz-Hörsching** or the **Grieskirchen-Gallspach Train Station** will be at the disposal of the arriving / departing delegations.

A shuttle service from/to the official team accommodations from/to the venue is also provided.

Please inform us about your detailed travel information by filling them in on [www.fistball.org](http://www.fistball.org) latest by **15 June 2021**.

- Log in on [www.fistball.org](http://www.fistball.org)
- Menu: Events – choose the correct event
- Button in the right bottom corner “Add club information”
- “Insert Journey”
- Fill in the data
- Click “Save” button

The screenshot shows the 'Insert Journey' form within a web application. At the top right, there is a green button labeled 'ADD CLUB INFORMATION'. Below this is a navigation bar with five tabs: 'ASSIGN PLAYER', 'ASSIGN STAFF', 'INSERT JOURNEY' (which is highlighted in green), 'INSERT JERSEYS', and 'INSERT PICTURE'. The main content area is titled 'Insert Journey' and contains the instruction 'Please fill in some information about your planned journey.' The form includes several input fields: 'Arrival Date' (with a calendar icon), 'Arrival Time' (with a clock icon), 'Location of Arrival', and 'Transport Number of Arrival'. Below these are 'Departure Date' (with a calendar icon), 'Departure Time' (with a clock icon), 'Location of Departure', and 'Transport Number of Departure'. There is also a 'Size of Delegation' input field and a 'Pickup needed?' toggle switch. At the bottom, there is a text area for 'Any other important information we should know?' with a character count '0 / 1000'. A green 'SAVE' button is located at the bottom left of the form.

## 8. Jerseys

Every team must bring 2 sets of jerseys in different and contrasting colours. Coaches and substitute players wear shirts of a different colour than the team's colour. The jersey colours have to be added on [www.fistball.org](http://www.fistball.org) latest by **15 June 2021**.

- Log in on [www.fistball.org](http://www.fistball.org)
- Menu: Events – choose the correct event
- Button in the right bottom corner “Add club information”
- “Insert Jerseys”
- Fill in the data
- Click “Save” button

The screenshot shows the 'Insert Jerseys' form within a web application. At the top right, there is a green button labeled 'ADD CLUB INFORMATION'. Below this is a navigation bar with five tabs: 'ASSIGN PLAYER', 'ASSIGN STAFF', 'INSERT JOURNEY', 'INSERT JERSEYS' (which is highlighted in green), and 'INSERT PICTURE'. The main content area is titled 'Insert Jerseys' and contains the instruction 'Please fill in the colors of your jerseys and pants.' The form includes four input fields: 'Home Jersey Color', 'Home Pants Color', 'Away Jersey Color', and 'Away Pants Color'. At the bottom, there is a text area for 'Any other important information we should know?' with a character count '0 / 1000'. A green 'SAVE' button is located at the bottom left of the form.

The IFA Technical Delegate decides about the colours of the jerseys for the following day. Regarding advertising the IFA Competition Rules (IFCR) valid from 4 November 2018 (clause 8) are applied.

## **9. Venue**

The Fistball U18 World Championships and U21 European Championship will be held in  
*ÖBV Campus Grieskirchen (Faustballzentrum)*  
Unionweg 2  
4710 Grieskirchen  
Austria

Feel free to get a better impression of the venue by a virtual flight: <https://youtu.be/Q-7NNrj6WaY>

- 1 Center Court with 2 stands for 1.500 spectators in total  
Multi-camera Livestream on all competition days
- 2 additional Courts with space for spectators around the court
- 3 additional practice fields
- Player's Area with Beachvolley courts, Table tennis, WIFI Lounge

## **10. Technical Meeting (Head of Delegations' + Referees meeting)**

The Head of Delegations meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 28 July 2021; 4pm, at the same venue as Youth Congress: Venue will be announced in due time.

Round Table Referees: Wednesday 28 July 2021: after Technical meeting: Referees are also part of technical meeting

## **11. Opening/Closing Ceremony**

The official Opening Ceremony is scheduled for Thursday 29 July 2021; 6:45pm.

The Opening Ceremony is obligatory for all participating teams and officials in the U18 and U21 competitions.

Meeting Point for all delegations is at the player's area at the venue. Then all participants will walk together to the city center of Grieskirchen where the official Opening Ceremony takes place.

The Organizers provide a stage in the middle of the City for their show programme, cocktails for all players and music.

Details to the Opening Ceremony and the Closing Ceremony will be provided in the Head of Delegations meeting.

The closing ceremony is obligatory for all teams as well.

## **12. Welcome Dinner (Banquet)**

The official Welcome Dinner for all delegations (U18 and U21) takes place on Friday, 30 July 2021, 7:30pm at Manglbürg Grieskirchen. The Welcome Dinner is obligatory for all teams.

Here you get the possibility to hand over your mementos/presents to the host.



### **13. Team Catering**

The Organizing Team of the Men's World Championship offers special team catering to all teams at every match day on the basis of very cheap conditions.

Costs: 12,50 EUR per meal and per person

Additionally, included every day: seasonal fruit, cakes, drinks for free (water, soda, juices)

The catering is offered from 12am to 3pm every day, so it is granted each team can go for lunch according to the schedule. The catering is delivered by a well-known regional caterer.

Please order your team catering here latest by 30 June 2021: <http://tiny.cc/U18WC-TeamCatering>

### **14. Schedule/Drawing**

Drawing of the groups for preliminary round will be carried out according to the results of the last World Championships in Roxbury/USA.

Further information regarding Schedule and Drawing will be published latest in the beginning of June after the final withdrawing deadline.

### **15. IFA Fistball Academy**

Within the framework of the IFA 2021 Fistball U18 Men's and Women's World Championships Austria IFA will organize an IFA Fistball Academy for teachers and coaches as full day training program. The aim is to provide every participant a basis knowledge of training and the Rules of the Game.

The number of participants is limited. The participants have to bear a small attendance fee, travel costs to Grieskirchen and for board and lodging.

The final date and further details will be provided as soon as possible.

### **16. IFA Competition Management at IFA Fistball Men's World Championship**

The IFA Competition Manager of the IFA Fistball U18 Men's and Women's World Championships Austria is Christoph Oberlehner.

IFA Technical Delegate of the IFA Fistball U18 Men's and Women's World Championships Austria is Winfried Kronsteiner.

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

EFA Competition Manager of the EFA 2021 Fistball U21 Men's European Championship is Gerhard Zeller.

### **17. IFA Youth Congress**

The IFA Youth and Sports Commission is planning to organize the 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

The 4<sup>th</sup> IFA Youth Congress is scheduled for **Wednesday 28 July 2021, 2pm**. We send a detailed invitation and agenda in due time.

Please register for participation in the Youth Congress at <http://tiny.cc/YouthCongress2021>

## **18. Social Media & Website**

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/fistballu18wc2021>  
Instagram: [https://www.instagram.com/fistball.u18wc\\_2021/](https://www.instagram.com/fistball.u18wc_2021/)  
Website: [www.fistballu18wc.com](http://www.fistballu18wc.com)

We would be glad if the participating clubs use the hashtag #FistballU18WC, #FistballU21EC and #wearefistball to inform the spectators about every activity within the context of the IFA 2021 Fistball U18 World Championships and EFA 2021 U21 Men's European Championship.

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**Dient der Vorlage zur Einreise gem. COVID-19-Einreiseverordnung für  
SpitzensportlerInnen gem. § 3 Z 6 BSFG 2017**

Gem. § 4 (3) Z 2 COVID-19-Einreiseverordnung idgF sind SpitzensportlerInnen gem. § 3 Z 6 BSFG 2017 zur Einreise nach Österreich berechtigt. Sofern ein gültiger negativer PCR-Test, nicht älter als 72 Stunden, oder Antigen-Test negativ auf SARS-CoV-2, welcher nicht älter als 48 Stunden ist, vorgewiesen werden kann, muss nach der Einreise keine Quarantäne angetreten werden.

Der/Die Einreisende hat eine Bestätigung des Fachverbandes mitzuführen, in der bestätigt wird, dass er/sie SpitzensportlerIn gem. § 3 Z 6 BSFG 2017 ist.

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